



## Exploring home-sharing for seniors

### What is home-sharing?

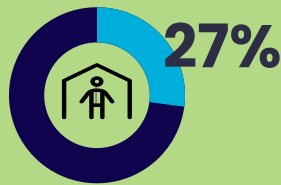
Home-sharing involves a homeowner offering affordable accommodations in exchange for payment and (optionally) household support.

Shared housing can benefit seniors by enabling them to age in place.



**1 in 3 residents  
are seniors**

33.5% of the PEC  
population is age 65+



27%  
of PEC households have  
a single occupant  
(3,005 people)

### Why home-sharing in PEC?

- 27% of households are occupied by only one person; many are seniors.
- A critical housing shortage hinders our community's capacity to attract and retain workers in various sectors ie. healthcare.
- New construction will not be able to keep pace with demand.
- Our community has a significantly older population.
- Single seniors are susceptible to social isolation and low-income.

### How would it work?



The PEC Home-sharing model would seek to connect home providers with home seekers.



Guidance throughout the process would help to ensure compatibility and continued mutual benefit.

### Who is supporting this work?

- The County Foundation
  - Prince Edward County (municipality)
- Endorsed by:
- Community Foundations of Canada
  - Prince Edward Community Care for Seniors
  - Prince Edward County Chamber of Commerce
  - Prince Edward Family Health Team
  - Prince Edward - L&A Social Services
  - The HUB Child & Family Centre

### What happens next?



Community interest surveys