

Options for Thinking about My Home

What is 'Home'?

'Home' for the purposes of the My Home, My Choice initiative in Windsor and Essex County includes the type of home-setting that a person might choose. It could be about: renting or owning; living in a stand-alone house, secondary suite, townhouse, condominium, apartment, co-op arrangement or something else. It could be choosing to live alone, with a friend, beside or with your family. Various home options and examples of how one might choose to live are listed below. These choices are often based on people's natural relationships, who they feel comfortable with and their current stage of life. Keep in mind that the home-setting you first choose and plan for may change in a few years. As life changes, directing one's own path with the support of friends, family and others who care is the most important thing.

Home options to think about

- stand-alone house/single-family home
- duplex/triplex
- townhouse
- apartment building
- condominium
- co-operative housing
- manufactured home/mobile home
- rent geared to income housing
- rent supplement for choosing an apartment
- secondary suite or separate apartment developed within the family home
- supportive housing (where adults live on their own and need some paid support)
- intentional community/planning (i.e. home-sharing and/or neighbourly support)



How I may want to live

- alone; with family; or with a friend
- with a partner/spouse
- with a another family (host family)
- in a home-sharing arrangement with someone who may provide overnight support or other things for reduced or free rent
- next to a supportive neighbour who may provide additional informal/agreed upon support (i.e. listening to a monitor overnight, having a meal together, getting groceries together, etc.)
- as a boarder or a renter
- as a homeowner (single or multiple owners)

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