



## WHAT IS SHARED LIVING?

Shared Living is a paid arrangement of services provided in a private home of a Host Home Provider (Independent Contractor) in which they care for and share life's experiences with a person with a disability. It is built on the foundation of life sharing, developing natural supports and being an active member of the community.

## WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

Shared living is an option for a person, 21 years of age or older, who has been deemed eligible or is on the HCBS CHOICES waiver through the Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

### INDIVIDUALS HAVE...

- » Greater access to person-centered supports in a home environment.
- » More opportunities to develop natural supports and experience community life.
- » More control and consistency in the supports that are provided to them and who provides them.



## BECOME A HOST HOME PROVIDER

The success of Shared Living rests on the match between the individual with a disability and the Host Home Provider. The matching process takes time and is rooted in Person Centered planning.

Anyone with a desire to support an individual with a disability, in their home, to have a more meaningful life, is encouraged to learn more.

### THE ROLE OF THE HOST HOME PROVIDER...

- » Certification through Black Hills Works.
- » Providing in-home, basic care, ensuring health and safety.
- » Support community involvement while promoting goal attainment of the individualized plan.

If you are an individual or family member of an individual with a disability who is interested in Shared Living, go to <https://dhs.sd.gov> to learn more about how to qualify for this service.

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