



"My Host and I came up with an agreement that allows me to have low rent in exchange for help around her home. Throughout the entire process, Nesterly's staff has been supportive and helpful."

Katelyn Folberth, guest

We help you make a match

Nesterly is more than a website – dedicated social workers play an active role in making and supporting home share matches. Hosts can opt into a task exchange, where they offer reduced rent in exchange for help with household chores.

About the Partners

City of Bellingham

This home sharing option provides one more tool in our community toolbox for tackling the affordable housing shortage. Home owners with extra space can be part of the solution!

Nesterly

Nesterly is on a mission to make housing more affordable for all. This is done by helping you create a mutually beneficial connection that ranges across generations, cultures, and lived experiences.

Sign up as a Host Today!

Sign up



nesterly.com

Learn More



cob.org/bellingham-home-sharing-program



Call Nesterly for help getting started:
(877) 958-8785



Local help: homeshare@cob.org

Bellingham Home Sharing

Want a safer, easier way to rent your spare room? We can help.



The City of Bellingham is partnering with Nesterly to bring more rental options to Bellingham with home sharing.



A safer, easier way to rent a room in your home

The City of Bellingham is partnering with Nesterly, a home sharing service designed to support people who want to share housing costs and increase social connections.

Nesterly provides an easy-to-navigate online platform that connects people with a spare room to renters who are seeking a place to stay for longer than one month.

Nesterly makes home sharing safer and easier by handling all the practicalities, including user verification and background checks, secure automated payments, and a customizable rental agreement.

Home sharing, your way

Rent Easily

Open your home, without upsetting your balance. You set your rules, your price, and choose who to accept.

Everything is documented and transparent so there are never any grey areas.

Rent Safely

Nesterly requires references, background checks, and proof of employment from renters.

Nesterly also handles leases, collects rent, and facilitates settlement of disputes amicably.

Rent with Confidence

The Nesterly team is dedicated to bringing you the highest quality renters.

Once you have an offer, use the secure in-app chat and video call feature before arranging to meet face-to-face to make your final decision.

How Nesterly works

*Home sharing has come to Bellingham!
Join the movement!*

1. Create your free account*
2. List your room for free
3. Get connected with great people
4. Sign a lease and home sharing agreement
5. Receive monthly payments**
6. Rent your space for a month, a year, or longer

*While creating a profile on Nesterly is free, there is a one-time fee upon confirming a match and monthly fees of 2.5% of monthly rent.

**Rental income counts as taxable income and may impact benefits a host already receives (property tax exemption, utility reduction, etc.). Hosts are encouraged to check with relevant providers directly, and reach out to the City if you don't know who to contact.

