

RESOURCES FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT Shared Living

Resources for Human Development's Shared Living program develops housing and community-based support services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Shared Living provider is a community-based, family-oriented home that offers people the ability to participate and contribute to the household, while promoting personal growth and independence. Shared Living providers receive extensive support, training, and ongoing oversight in order to support and assist the individual in service. RHD combines housing and a full array of community supports to help individuals achieve stability and live successfully in the community.

RHD has more than 40 years of experience in successfully moving individuals with long histories of institutionalization into the community where they can lead fuller and more productive lives.

The RHD Shared Living model serves adults over the age of 18, and offers individuals the opportunity to live with a caregiver/ family of their choice, other than a parent, spouse, or guardian, within the community. The Shared Living model features an initial three-month Transition Home option for individuals. This RHD Transition Home will provide individuals and potential Shared We're completely pleased. RHD found such wonderful staff that I trust with my daughter. She's happy. That's all we care about.

DeeDee, whose daughter Dawn is a participant at RHD

Living providers time to establish relationships prior to making the commitment to live together.

RHD has the capacity to develop home and community-based supports for individuals who may have extensive and complex needs. RHD has successfully implemented the Shared Living model in Pennsylvania, Missouri, New Jersey, and Tennessee to hundreds of individuals who formerly resided in state centers and state hospitals.

Individuals supported in RHD's Shared Living program gain the stability and independence that comes with living in the community in a family-oriented model, and receive support in expanding their circle of friendships, pursuing community interests, and becoming active, full members of their communities.

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