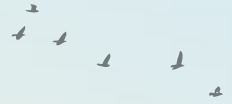


ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF COHOUSING



Teaching green skills

Families who live in cohousing exhibit reinforced ecological practices and are much more likely to recycle and compost.

Less car dependence

The communities are built close to basic services which helps to reduce the use of fossil fuels and air pollution.

Lower energy costs

Houses use less energy because they are built with the right insulation or an efficient heating system, for example, in order to make savings.

Conservation of the open spaces

Houses are built in groups, increasing the space given over to green areas and creating a habitat for wildlife.

Cultivation of food on a local level

The open areas allow for the creation of vegetable gardens which reduces the need to buy produce from shops with a greater carbon footprint.

Source: Money Crashers