

How to Get Involved & Steps to Reserve Your Home

You are invited to explore Heartwood Commons in Tulsa and become a part of this exciting new community way of living – where neighbors become friends.

Step 1 - Learn About Us and Cohousing

- Visit our website www.heartwoodcommonstulsa.com to find out more.
- Subscribe to our e-newsletter on our website for timely updates and invites to events.
- Like us on Facebook at <u>Heartwood Commons Tulsa</u>.
- Learn more about cohousing at the Cohousing Association website at <u>www.cohousing.org.</u>
- Attend an upcoming on-line presentation or site tour. See our website for details.

Step 2 - Become an Explorer

- This is a wonderful opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of Heartwood Commons and decide first-hand if it's a good fit for you.
- Get to know us, ask questions, visit with members, and attend our meetings, socials, and events.
- Simply pay the \$250 Explorer Fee and use up to the next three months to learn about the community.
- As an Explorer, we will schedule an Orientation Meeting where you can learn about the details of our development. We'll pair you with a "buddy" to help you navigate the process, answer your questions, and connect you with the community.

To become an Explorer, complete an Explorer Agreement (attached or available on our website) and pay the non-refundable Explorer Fee of \$250. See the Agreement form for directions.

Step 3 - Become a Member and Secure Your Home

Before applying to become a Member of Heartwood Commons (Green Country Cohousing, LLC), you will need to attend an Explorer Orientation and at least one General Meeting. We also encourage you to get to know members, ask questions and attend a social gathering.

Let us know when you are ready for membership in Heartwood Commons and we will walk you through the steps to become a Member and reserve your home.

We look forward to welcoming you to Heartwood Commons!

Please contact us for answers to your questions and to discuss your options.

Suzy Sharp, Membership/Marketing, at 918-519-5298 or

Claudia Vandiver, Legal/Financial, at 918-728-4852

or email heartwoodcommonstulsa@gmail.com.

Green Country Cohousing, LLC (d/b/a Heartwood Commons) Rights and Responsibilities of an Explorer

(Effective 5/1/2023)

Rights:

- 1. To participate in group discussions* during the development process of the community, without the right to vote or block consensus.
- 2. To participate in our mailing list, email exchange and archives*.
- 3. To have the opportunity to build community and form relationships with future neighbors.
- 4. To be assigned a "buddy" to facilitate a smooth transition into the existing group and provide relevant background information.
- 5. As an Explorer you have up to three months to decide if you want to become a Member and purchase a home. There is not a minimum amount of time you must be an Explorer before applying for membership. Should you decide to become a Member at a later date, we'll credit your Explorer Fee to your GCC LLC Capital Contribution (Membership Fee).

Responsibilities:

- 1. Pay \$250 Explorer Fee to the Green Country Cohousing LLC. The Explorer Fee is not refundable and does not apply to your down payment on your home. When you become a Member, your Explorer Fee will be applied to your \$500 GCC LLC Capital Contribution (Membership Fee).
- 2. Attend an Orientation Meeting where you will learn about the details of our development, member benefits, reserving your home, financial and participation commitment, decision making process, and more.
- 3. Attend at least one general meeting. You are encouraged to attend general meetings* regularly and participate in social and marketing events so you get to know us and how we work together.
- 4. Visit meetings of our teams/committees*, as another great way to get to know us.
- 5. Attend any workshops held by the community.
- 6. Become familiar with past decisions, the GCC Group Communication Agreement and consensus decision making so as not to hamper the group's process out of lack of awareness of previous decisions and discussions and processes.
- 7. Stay in communication with your buddy and ask questions when needed.

^{*} Except where restricted to GCC LLC members only

Green Country Cohousing, LLC (d/b/a Heartwood Commons) Explorer Agreement

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- 1. I wish to become an Explorer of Heartwood Commons. I have read and understand the Rights and Responsibilities of an Explorer and have paid the \$250 Explorer Fee which can be applied to my GCC LLC Capital Contribution (Membership Fee), if I become a Member.
- 2. I understand that I must attend an Orientation Meeting and a general meeting before I can apply for Membership. We strongly you encourage you to also attend a social meeting so you can get to know us.
- 3. I understand there is not a minimum amount of time I must be an Explorer but there is a maximum amount of three months for me to decide if I want to be a member. If I do not become a Member within that time period, I will become inactive and lose my Explorer privileges described below.
- 4. I understand I can participate in group discussions*, without the right to vote or to block consensus decisions
- 5. I understand I am encouraged to visit meetings of teams/committees* and attend workshops, socials and other events held by the community.
- 6. I agree to become familiar with past decisions, the Group Communication Agreement and other Agreements, and consensus decision making so as not to hamper the group's process out of lack of awareness of previous decisions and discussions and processes.
- 7. I agree to stay in communication with my buddy and ask questions when needed.

*Except where restricted to GCC LLC members.

	Person 1:	Person 2:
Name:		
Signature:		
Date:		
Mailing Address:		
City, State, Zip		
Home Phone:		
Cell Phone:		
Email:		

Please send your completed Explorer Agreement and check for \$250 made payable to Green Country Cohousing LLC to: Claudia Vandiver, Treasurer, 1802 E 72 St, Apt 1506, Tulsa, OK 74136.

Administrative use only below.

Agreement Received By/Date:	Date Explorer Fee Paid:	_ Explorer Term Ends:
Notes:		