



Horizons

Cope Foundation in Cork Communities

*We require 10 voluntary home sharers,
located throughout Cork city and county*

Home Sharers - Cork City & County

Home sharers provide occasional overnight or weekend care for children or adults with an intellectual disability and/or autism in their own home. As a person sharing your home you will need the personal qualities and skills required to provide a safe, warm, caring, enjoyable short break for the person staying with you. Home sharers will receive the training and support they require. The overnight stay would be arranged to suit the person supported by Horizons, their family and the home sharer. Home sharers must be over 18 years of age. Many families take great joy in caring for their loved ones, however providing this care on an ongoing basis can be tiring and stressful.

Having a short break from this caring can be of huge benefit to the care giver and their family. It also provides the service user with a great opportunity to make new friends, visit new places and be involved in different activities. As home sharers are being entrusted with the care of much loved children and/or adults it is necessary that we are very careful about selecting the right kind of people to be home sharers. To help us do this we ask home sharer to participate in an assessment process that will involve four or five home visits by the programme coordinator.

We require a minimum commitment of 9 months for this role but it is hoped that home sharers will build a relationship with the person they are caring for and that this arrangement will continue over many years. Home sharers will receive an allowance for this work.



Flexible/overnight



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