

# AGENDA MATERIAL

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**From:** Martha Portilla <mportilla@unitedwaytucson.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 16, 2021 5:42 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

Good afternoon,

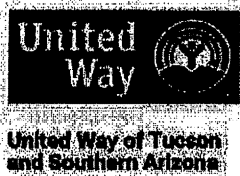
I'd like to express my support to the establishment of a Home Share Pilot Program in Tucson.

During the current economic crisis, home sharing would be a great alternative to address the need for affordable housing, both for home owners and home seekers.

This program would also help solve the terrible issue of loneliness experienced by older adults since the pandemic started, that is rising the problems of anxiety and depression in the elder population.

There are really many benefits to this pilot program, so I hope you do everything necessary to make it happen.

Cordially,



**Martha Portilla**

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**From:** Linda Valdez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 7:09 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

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To the Pima County Supervisors,

I'm writing in support of funding for a Pilot Home Sharing Program in the Tucson area.

With our aging population and the increase in housing costs, there is a great need to explore creative housing solutions.

Home sharing addresses a number of needs, including:

1. The desire to remain in one's own home 2. Loneliness and isolation 3. Affordable options for those who do not own, but can share a home

There are many elderly people living alone in homes they do not want to leave, but cannot maintain on their own. There are many people who are seeking a place to live that offers companionship and the sense of belonging. What's needed is a program that can help these people find each other in a safe and efficient manner.

I have seen home sharing work, and I believe it is a solution that can benefit individuals, neighborhoods, and the community at large.

Please support a pilot program designed to help make home sharing an option that more people understand and can consider for themselves.

Linda Valdez  
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Tucson, Arizona 85745  
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**From:** Eileen Mechling [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 9:13 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

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Dear Board Members,

I continue to support this project and hope you do as well.

This Home Sharing project addresses a time in a person's life where they are vulnerable, with low resources available to them and yet the will to continue living a fulfilling, independent life for as long as possible.

This program will address many issues that could help them ie affordable housing, safety and companionship resulting in a healthier lifestyle with both participants (home owners and home seekers) benefiting.

Please consider an approval of this project.

Sincerely,

Eileen Mechling

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**From:** Deborah Knox [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 10:46 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** HOME SHARE PILOT

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TO SUPERVISOR HEINZ ET ALL,

On behalf of Tucson Home Sharing, Inc.,(THS) I am writing to encourage the funding requested by PCOA for establishing a Home Sharing program to create home share matches in Tucson and Pima County. THS has been in existence since February 2020 and spearheading the benefits of this beneficial affordable housing option for elders. The establishment of such a program is a major effort and PCOA is positioned in the community to address this need in the best possible manner. THS will support their action and outreach as we continue to advocate for this alternative housing option which addresses major housing concerns among elders in this community, eg affordability and addressing loneliness, considered an epidemic by President Joe Biden, based on research resulting from the shutdown during the pandemic March 2020 - March 2021.

If the Board of supervisors has any questions please feel free to call me at [REDACTED] or email me at this address.

Deborah Knox  
President, Tucson Home Sharing, Inc.

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**From:** Elsa Swyers [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 12:17 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

To the Board of Supervisors, Care of the Clerk of the Board -

To the Pima County Board of Supervisors -

At this time of a lack of affordable housing in Tucson and Pima County you have the opportunity to support an important option -  
**Home Sharing.**

Home Sharing is a win-win situation for homeowners and those seeking a home. This option helps with loneliness and provides for elders choosing to age in place. If needed there may be provision for household assistance and caregiving.

Please approve this program for the benefit of Tucson residents in search of affordable housing.

Thank you,  
Elsa Swyers

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**From:** Ronna Biesecker [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:13 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

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I am writing in support of establishing a Home Share Pilot Program in Tucson.

Home Sharing is a badly needed affordable housing choice in Tucson. I am considering selling my home, but the dilemma is where do I move? Affordable choices are not available. I could share my home or share another's home, but the mechanism, the structure, to match two compatible people is not in place as yet. This pilot program would be an answer to that dilemma.

Also, after living through the pandemic alone, I and many others realize that we need a way to address the loneliness that has dogged us daily. Home sharing is one way to address this issue in a more natural manner.

I urge you to vote in favor of the Home Share Pilot Program.

Sincerely,  
Ronna Biesecker

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 2:17 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot Program in Tucson

In Care of the Clerk of the Board:

How the aging maintain autonomy is so often neglected today. Please fund this Home Share project and support the independence of the elderly. This project has so many positive parts!!! The mutual support, companionship, maybe even communal cooking and driving plus shared rent they can afford are benefits hard to provide to many who are alone. This seems like a small sacrifice for the County. Please take whatever action is necessary to make this program a reality. We might all need it some day!

Thank you for your consideration.  
Leilani Rothrock

**Leilani M Rothrock**  
**4421 E Fort Lowell Rd**  
**Tucson AZ 85712**  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mallika Rao [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 8:05 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Re: Home Share Pilot

Care of the Clerk of the Board, Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to support the Home Share Pilot, for many reasons. As we have all seen, housing/rental prices have risen beyond the working person's wages, as have quality assisted living housing costs. This is creating a situation of people who will need more government assistance in order to survive, many for whom the alternative is homelessness.

With the support of this program for organization, resource matching, vetted data base of persons, skills, needs, we can have community people living in their own homes, and those who need it are provided housing in exchange for some assistance they can offer. A deeper more satisfying byproduct of all this: community building.

I hope you will do everything you can to understand, research, and help make this happen for us! It has been successfully implemented in other places, so we have models to work with and people to help us brainstorm our own version appropriate for our community here in Tucson.

Thank you sincerely,  
Mallika Rao



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**From:** PJ casey [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 7:50 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing you in hope that you will support the home share pilot program. I think it will be a wonderful resource for our city. Too many are falling through the cracks due to financial difficulties and simple loneliness. Please support this program and our entire community.

Sincerely,  
PJ Casey

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 5:04 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Supporting Home Sharing

Dear Board of Supervisors Members,

I understand you are going to vote on supporting the home sharing initiative, June 22nd. I am writing to encourage you to vote 'yes' for a variety of reasons. I have come to know and appreciate first hand what home sharing has done for friends and acquaintances who need care to keep them in their homes, provide a *home* for people who are lonely or for those who can't afford to stay in their own homes.

Having resources for people who are interested in home sharing is crucial as it is for people already sharing homes. Let's make sure there is information about this important alternative for living more independently as people enter the age in their lives where they must make decisions about how to age gracefully and securely.

Best,  
M. Jean Young Ph.D.  
55 E. Rudasill Rd.  
Tucson, AZ 85704

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 17, 2021 5:04 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

Board of Supervisors: Care of the Clerk of the Board

I am requesting that you take action to support Home Share in Pima County.

Home Sharing is a badly needed affordable housing choice. It is an inexpensive option which allows single seniors to remain independent by sharing with another senior. This person would provide help as needed and would benefit by an affordable rent. This plan would provide mutual support, improving health and well-being for both persons.

This arrangement would provide another option for seniors who need some help, but may not need nor afford assisted living centers.

Thank you for taking positive action on this.

Anne Eccles

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**From:** Judy Clinco [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 8:29 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Shared Housing Pilot

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Dear Supervisor

As the President of the Tucson IDA , which funded the Shared Housing Study , I am writing in support of the Shared Housing Pilot.

We are all aware of the urgent need of affordable housing for older adults in Pima Country. Shared Housing program which exist through out the country is one of solution to addressing this need.

I strongly recommend that you vote yes on the funding of the Shared House Pilot at next weeks meeting.

A small Investing in Shared Housing Pilot is a wise decision that will yield a high return to our community.

Sincerely  
Judy Clinco  
President of Tucson IDA

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**From:** Kathy Alexander [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 9:02 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

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I hope that you will supporting the Home Share Pilot. It seems like a sensible way of meeting the needs of low income seniors in our community.

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**From:** Jannie Cox [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 10:45 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Shared Housing Pilot Program

To the Board of Supervisors:

As an aging adult with a wonderful family and financial stability I am very thankful that I don't need this kind of support. But I know this need will become more and more critical in our community as our population ages. Shared housing is an effective and inexpensive way to address the housing needs of older adults. I hope you will fund this pilot project. It works!

Jannie Cox

**Jannie Cox**  
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**From:** Gregory Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 10:53 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Pilot

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Please support the Home Share Pilot program for affordable housing for older adults in Tucson - a much needed service.  
Thank you,  
Greg Johnson

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**From:** Mariana Maddocks <maddocksconsulting@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 12:27 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Home Share Project

Dear people,

There are so many benefits that will be reaped from The Home Share Project. You all know what they are so I needn't repeat them here.

If you could imagine one person who would feel such relief from anxiety about affordable housing, and be this person in their shoes, you will be compelled to support home sharing and act in accordance with your highest morality.

Thank you for the work you do to improve the quality of life for those less fortunate than yourselves.

Sincerely,

Mariana Maddocks

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'We do not see things as they are...we see things as we are'.  
Anais Nin

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 1:30 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** support of Home Share Pilot

[REDACTED]

I'm writing to voice my support for the Home Share Pilot on the upcoming agenda for M&C. Finding innovative ways for elderly residents to remain in their homes, while creating affordable housing for others is a great effort and worthy of exploring. I hope you can support that effort.

Thanks  
Meredith Aronson  
Broadmoor-Broadway Village

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