

# Lifesharing Requirements for Providers

Home that meets the 6500 State Regulations

Over 18 years of age

Valid Drivers' License

Reliable Vehicle

Current Physical

Act 33/34 Clearances and FBI Clearance, if applicable

Completed Application and Home Study

Home/Renters Insurance

Current Auto Insurance

24 Hours of Training Annually



# Mainstay Life Services

Providing life-long, high-quality support services to ensure that people with developmental disabilities lead fulfilling lives and realize their vision of a desirable future.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**How many people can be served by one Lifesharing Provider?**

One or two people may be served at a time.

**How are providers matched with a person needing services?**

The needs and preferences of the provider, as well as the person being placed, will always be considered. Interviews will be arranged for initial face-to-face meetings through the Lifesharing Specialist at Mainstay Life Services.

**How is the Lifesharing Provider compensated?**

Providers receive a generous tax-free stipend.

**What happens if the Lifesharing Provider becomes ill or requires hospitalization?**

The circle of friends and family that is chosen by the Lifesharing Provider, and approved by the Lifesharing Specialist help to provide care in these circumstances.

*Lifesharing*

Having a place to go is **HOME**

Having someone to love is **FAMILY**

Having both is **WONDERFUL**

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# *Benefits of Lifesharing*

## For the Person Receiving Services...

- Foundation for learning life skills
  - Improved self-esteem
- Increased growth and development
  - Individualized attention
    - Love of a family
    - Extended family
  - Successful community living
- Enduring and permanent relationships
  - A place to call home

## For the Family...

- New dimension to a family
- Enrichment to each family member
  - Generous stipend
  - Sense of self-satisfaction
- Opportunity to learn about self
  - Love of an individual



Mainstay Life Services is offering an alternative to traditional community living arrangements through Lifesharing. The program involves working with families or single persons who are interested in opening their homes and lives to an person with a developmental disability. The opportunity provides individuals with a place they can call home and the love of a family. Lifesharing enhances and enriches the lives of those needing services and offers them the chance to live with a family who will support their desires and needs for an everyday life.