

## **Rights and Responsibilities of an Associate Member of the Sacramento Suburban Cohousing Group, LLC**

*Before becoming a member, complete the Preference Survey and attend an orientation meeting.*

### **Rights of Associate Membership include:**

- Active participation in the design, programming, decision making, and voting process affecting our community without the right to block consensus.
- Participation in our group email listserv and archives.
- Site selection seniority (following that of full members).
- The opportunity to build community and form relationships with future neighbors.
- To be assigned a “buddy” to facilitate a smooth transition into the existing group and provide relevant group background information.

### **Responsibilities of Associate Membership include:**

- Pay \$100 non-refundable membership dues and continue paying \$100 membership dues on quarterly schedule until a maximum contribution of \$500 is made. This will be due by January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. If a payment is missed, seniority may be forfeited.
- Attend meetings regularly, minimum of one out of three general meetings (exceptions may be considered on a case by case basis). One person from each household is considered attendance.
- Participate on at least one community committee.
- Attend all relevant political meetings to ensure project approval.
- Assist in carrying out tasks necessary for the project to progress.
- Become familiar with our Vision Statement, Values, and Ground Rules.
- Become familiar with the concept of cohousing.
- Join the group email listserv and become familiar with our online meeting minutes, agreements, and legal documents, so as not to hamper the group process out of lack of awareness of previous decisions and discussions.