

# How can a Co-operative Housing Society model benefit my community?



Co-operative housing societies are non for profit organisations that seek to meet the needs of the residents. The main principles of this model is democratic decision making and affordability.

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Community groups have come together with similar principles and ideas to deliver not only housing but space for employment, recreation and growing food. The main benefits of the model are:

1. Joint ownership and management of land and assets.
2. All members part of decision making process.
3. Delivers assets and services the community need.
4. Brings people together with the objective of working towards a single goal.
5. Creates cohesive society and promotes inclusion.
6. Supports informal learning and self-esteem.
7. Housing is kept in line with local incomes in perpetuity.

More information can be found [here](#)