



# WHY THE COOPERATIVE LIFESTYLE

Since the first cooperative opened more than 40 years ago, cooperative living has grown in popularity with adults 62+. Combining all the advantages of homeownership with the maintenance-free lifestyle of renting and the support of an engaged community, cooperatives provide a unique opportunity to live life on your own terms.

## **A SENSE OF COMMUNITY BUILT IN.**

When you buy into the cooperative, you not only get a home, you also get neighbors who share your interests as well as your address. Estoria Cooperatives are designed with an abundance of community space that promotes socialization and encourages a participatory lifestyle. Getting to know your neighbors is easy. Since you all own a share of the cooperative, you get to elect the cooperative's governing board and participate in various committees of choice. Whether you're retired or still actively employed, there are opportunities available for you to serve and share your gifts and talents within the community.

## **COOPERATIVES WORK WITHOUT ALL THE WORK.**

Choosing cooperative living means that you are still a homeowner — you just won't have the maintenance and upkeep to worry about. Best of all, members pay a monthly fee which is used to cover operating costs, including professional property management oversight, maintenance staff, and contract services to provide maintenance, and repairs of the building, grounds, and members' homes. Enjoy the simplicity and convenience of having the majority of your home expenses covered: From property taxes to gas heat to secured underground parking, you'll be surprised by just how much is included in your one monthly fee.

## **YOUR LIFESTYLE.**

**Enjoy Life** — Cooperatives offer homeownership with a variety of amenity spaces designed to promote an active lifestyle that's focused on community and "living your best life"!

## **YOUR CONVENIENCE.**

**One-Level Living** — Our spacious floor plans all offer single-level living with an abundance of natural light, ample storage, and a terrace or balcony.

## **YOUR CHOICE.**

**Home Design** — Personalize your new home with your choice of quality home finishes.

## **YOUR TIME.**

**Maintenance-Free** — Less work, less worry, and no more surprise expenses, so you can spend your time doing the things you enjoy with people that are important to you.

## **YOUR FREEDOM.**

**Turnkey Lifestyle** — Worry-free traveling with our While-You're-Away Turnkey Service.

## **LEAVE IT TO US.**

When you become a member-owner at Estoria Cooperatives, you can rest easy knowing that the day-to-day details are being handled for you by reliable staff. Spend more time doing what you love in a home that's maintenance-free and supported by our history of success as the largest managing agent of member-owned cooperatives. Cooperatives offer the conveniences you won't find anywhere else.



## **MEMBER-OWNED. MEMBER-GOVERNED.**

As a member-owned community, each member of Estoria Cooperatives has a voice in how the cooperative functions and the opportunity to contribute. First and foremost, a cooperative is a home for residing members with shared common space. It is also a community of people working together for the betterment of the entire membership. And, equally important, it is a business run by a member-elected board of directors and through the support of established committees and the guidance of professional management services. The beauty of cooperative ownership is that member-owners are the decision-makers. Based on the history of cooperatives, it is believed the empowerment of member-owners as decision-makers has a direct effect on health and aging well.

**“TRUST THE MEMBER-RESIDENTS TO DO THE RIGHT THING.” – RAY JOHNSON,  
GENERAL MANAGER, 7500 YORK, 1979 - 1988**

## **YOUR COMMUNITY. YOUR HOME.**

One the most popular advantages of cooperative living is the community effect: people working together for a common purpose. Sharing life together, the community becomes more like a cooperative family. Now more than ever, the value of community and need for a connection is even more important. Having supportive neighbors who care about you creates an amazing sense of community.

**“COMMUNITY IS MUCH MORE THAN BELONGING TO SOMETHING; IT’S  
ABOUT DOING SOMETHING TOGETHER THAT MAKES BELONGING MATTER.”**

**— BRIAN SOLIS**



