

# WHY become a



## **Host Home programs receive higher quality and satisfaction ratings from people served and their families and guardians.**

When compared to other service models, there are significant improvements noted in the ratings of independence and choice, community involvement, communication around services, health and nutrition, and engagement in the planning process for those who received host home services.

Personal Outcome Measures averaged 7% higher across 14 of the 22 measures for people living in a host home versus those living in a 24-hour staffed setting according to industry surveys.

The largest effects host homes have are found in the increased social capital—the value added to our life by social networks. Social capital comprises:

- **Bonding via personal relationships:**  
*—people have intimate relationships, participate in community life, have friends, are connected to natural supports, are respected.*
- **Bridging community relationships**  
*—people live in integrated environments, interact with other members of the community, perform different social roles.*

## **Financial stability for Host Home Providers**

When compared to hourly work, One Vision Host Homes provide increased wages and financial stability for providers. The average independent contractor makes \$37,111 tax free annually (ranging from \$13,000 to \$130,000 per year) and receives room and board from the person living with them.

## **Natural flow of life**

Host Home Providers enjoy the natural flow of home life in place of the stress and constraints of a rigid work schedule. People are able to enter into deeper relationships with those they serve, sharing life's celebrations and everyday moments.

## **Reliability**

Host Home Providers create stable, consistent relationships in their lives and the lives of those they serve. The industry average of service is just under 5 years, with many trending for more than 10 years as more states enact host home protocol for individuals.

## **Family friendly and Lifestyle enriching**

One Vision Host Homes are perfect for families who enjoy a stay-at-home lifestyle and fits in easily with raising children. For singles, it offers flexibility to also pursue other interests such as art and hobbies or other home business opportunities that do not interfere with provider duties.

*To learn more about One Vision's Host Home Program or to apply, contact Heather Curtis, Lead Quality Auditor at 641.355.1248 or HCurtis@OneVision.org.*

7%

more successful in  
**reaching personal goals**

25%

more successful in  
**building community relationships**

\$37,111

**increased wages**  
for the provider



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