

Ecovillage Apartments



The Ecovillage apartments are comfortable living spaces that provide education through living. Through programming, building design, and gardening, residents learn sustainable ways both indoors and out. Neighbors interact in natural ways while watching children, walking to child care, picking up mail, or sitting on the patios. Residents recycle and select projects from a menu of options that include composting, carpooling, gardening, making green cleaning supplies, providing programs, and serving on the Ecovillage Association. Social events include entire families and educational programs are planned for a variety of interests. Internet access in apartments and Commons House provide residents with in-home learning.

Neighborhood View



All kitchens face toward the middle of the neighborhood. The bedrooms above the kitchens show wonderful neighborhood views.

Thermal Mass



Comfortable furnishings help make the apartments appealing places to live. Stained and sealed concrete floors give attractive thermal mass for passive solar heating.

Stack Ventilation



Large south-facing windows and a clerestory window take advantage of the sun's natural day lighting and provide ventilation.

Energy Efficiency



Ceiling fans and compact fluorescent lights are energy-savers. Ground source heat pumps provide heating, cooling, and water heating.

Water Efficiency



Front-loading washers use less water and energy than top-loaders. Residents choose to dry with clotheslines, or dryers in the Commons House.

Natural Lighting



"The light's on" with non-mechanical solar light tubes with small skylights, prisms, and reflectors.