

Skills Assessment Questionnaire

Note: This handout was created for a cohousing core groups workshop presented by Design Coalition in 1993

This questionnaire is designed to help you assess your skills and the skills of your core group, and decide how best to proceed.

Do I/we have the skills and information to...

Meet effectively, operate using consensus techniques, and administer the process or forming a group and developing cohousing ...

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- Contract for the services

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Act as developer and take on the role of Project Manager for a cohousing project ..

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Provide the architectural work for the site, common facilities and the individual units, do participatory programming and design, prepare construction documents and monitor the construction ..

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Establish the legal framework for our core group, and assist in writing agreements, bylaws, offers to purchase and other legal documents ...

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Perform financial analysis to establish affordability, create development and operating budgets, secure loans ...

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Form a membership structure with a workable system for recruitment, training, ongoing management ...

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