



# HOUSING

Housing is a unique decision that needs to be made with care. Deciding if you want to live alone, with friends or family, or in a skilled care home are decisions that need to be made after lots of hard work and research have been done.

## WHAT TYPES OF HOUSING

### Apartment

Multi-unit housing, usually found in urban areas requires less maintenance and less financial burden.

### House

Can be found in urban and rural communities but requires a higher level of maintenance and associated costs

### Assisted Living/Skilled Care

Specialized Care housing that provides nursing, housekeeping, and meals as necessary.

### Group Home/ Independent living community

Does not offer healthcare or daily living supports but has programs in place for social, and/or intermittent supports

## HOUSING ASSISTANCE

### HUD Options (Housing Urban Development)

**Housing Choice Voucher** is public assistance that follows the individual or family. The family decides where they will live and works with the landlord/HUD to arrange payment

**Public Housing** refers to specific buildings that provide housing to individuals or families. The assistance is tied to the building only.

**Low-income housing** is privately owned properties that receive corporate benefits in exchange for providing low-income housing.

## HOW TO PREPARE

### Identify Goals and Objectives

- How will you receive income (job, SSI)
- How will you need to travel (bus, car, etc.)
- Determine your financial obligations/resources
- Determine necessary supports
- Decide ideal living environment

### Research

- Center for Accessible Living [www.calky.org](http://www.calky.org)
- HUD [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)



## AT A GLANCE

### PROVIDERS

The housing available depends on the location you are in.

### BENEFITS

- Independence and personal growth
- Individual preferences
- Can support income goals



## KY-SPIN

The mission of KY-SPIN is to link families and individuals with disabilities to valuable resources that will enable them to live productive, fulfilling lives.

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