

**"Getting It Built" Cohousing
a workshop in Redwood City, California
presented by Kathryn McCamant & Rick Mockler**

**September 6 & 7, 2008
Saturday 9:00-5:00 and Sunday 9:00-1:00**

CoHousing Partners is delighted to offer its introductory workshop for forming cohousing in Redwood City, California (south of San Francisco). This is an important resource for early stage groups seeking to understand the fundamentals of the development process.

The focus will be on cohousing development, providing a comprehensive overview and a roadmap for forming communities. As background, we encourage participants to have read the book *Cohousing: A Contemporary Approach to Housing Ourselves* and to have visited or toured completed cohousing communities. We encourage early registration, as class size will be limited.

Our curriculum covers the following:

The Development Process

- The role of the developer and ways to partner
- Typical development stages and timelines

Land Search Acquisition

- Evaluating sites for feasibility
- Making a purchase offer
- Partnering with brokers, master developers and others

Financing

- Typical development costs
- Roles of community members and outside investors
- What can you afford?

Design

- Best practices from Denmark to America
- The "Common House Game," a learning exercise

Working Together

- Making decisions and working with consensus
- Building a strong group to get the work done

REGISTRATION:

The early registration fee (through Tuesday, August 5) is \$250 per person, and then will increase to \$300. We offer half that rate for the second member of your household (spouse, partner, etc.). To register, contact Nisanda Albaugh at CoHousing Partners at 530-478-1970 or email her at nalbaugh@cohousingpartners.com.

Registration is complete upon receipt of your check for payment -- please make your check out to CoHousing Partners and mail it to CoHousing Partners, 241 Commercial Street, Nevada City, CA 95959.

Participants will receive a binder with supporting materials; coffee will be available in the mornings and lunch on Saturday.