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Creating Cohousing: Building Sustainable Communities

Introducing the new cohousing “bible” with many new North American case studies, design principles and sustainable design practices.

With over 120 cohousing communities now in existence in North America, Katie McCamant and Chuck Durrett bring us a totally updated “must-have” book for cohousers, and anyone interested in creating more people-friendly neighborhoods

Creating Cohousing is a fully-illustrated manual that combines nuts-and-bolts practical considerations, design ideas and real life examples. *How do you get a group off the ground? How do you finance it? What about the planning commission? Where do we put the cars on the site? How have other cohousing groups succeeded? What's it really like living in cohousing?* All illustrated with extensive case studies of diverse communities in Europe and North America.

The book also includes a new chapter on cohousing and sustainable design principles. While sustainability has become the buzz in the past few years, Chuck and Katie have been doing it for three decades. The book draws on their wealth of experience designing, developing and living in these cutting-edge neighborhoods, and explains how cohousing continues to offer a uniquely rewarding type of housing for anyone who values their independence but longs for more connection with those around them.

The story of cohousing is not the story of energy conservation at all—it's the story of energy generation, the kind of human energy that we so badly need at this turn in the history of our country.

- **Bill McKibben** from the Foreword, author and founder of 350.org

This book... is a must read for anybody who wants or needs to know about Cohousing. It serves those who want to learn about living in one, creating one, or just better understand how Cohousing is driving positive change in the broader culture.

- **Craig Ragland**, Executive Director *Cohousing Association of the United States*

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