



# Supported Lodgings

Supporting young people into independence

Supporting **you**  
to make a difference



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# What is Supported Lodgings?

**Supported Lodgings** offers young people aged 16-19 the opportunity to live in a family environment where they can learn skills for independent living.

As a host you will support the young person with practical skills such as cooking, cleaning and budgeting. You would be expected to support the young person in accessing education or training.

Some of the young people may be unaccompanied asylum seekers who would need support with immigration or legal appointments.

## The people we are looking for will

- Have a spare room
- Have spare time to support the young person
- Have tenacity and be flexible
- Want to make a difference to the life of teenagers
- Have patience, energy and a sense of humour
- Have an understanding of some of the issues teenagers face

## Who can be a supported lodgings host?

There's no 'typical' Supported Lodgings host, all sorts of people can do it.

- You don't need to have a big house
- You don't have to be a parent
- You can still work
- There are no age barriers
- You can be married, single or in a same sex relationship

As long as you're committed to helping a child to realise their potential, you could be who we are looking for.

## What support will I receive?

As a host, you will receive:-

- Ongoing regular support from the Supported Lodgings Co-ordinator
- A placement allowance of £180 per week
- Training opportunities
- The child will have their own social worker and/or personal advisor

# I'm interested, what happens next?

Call our enquiry line now on:

**0800 169 2061**

We will take your details and discuss your interest. To be a Supported Lodgings host you do need to have a spare room at the time you apply.

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## What our Supported Lodgings Hosts say

“Supported Lodgings can be challenging at times but is so rewarding, I believe every young person deserves the chance to become a responsible, caring young adult.”

“I really enjoy being a supported lodgings host and have met some wonderful young people. It's so important for them to have a stepping stone at this pivotal and sometimes, daunting stage in their lives.”

“With just a little guidance and support, I've seen young people gain the confidence to move forward to independence and flourish. Supported lodgings can give them a secure foundation to build on for the future and I always look forward to welcoming the next one.”

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