

Community Living BC New Home Sharing Rates

effective April 1, 2020



The recent provincial budget includes \$9.5 million to provide increases for home sharing providers. By increasing rates for the second time in two years, the government and CLBC are recognizing the important work you do to provide homes to 4,200 individuals living with developmental disabilities in our province.

CLBC's updated home sharing rate structure for 2020, as presented in the table below, is based on an individual's level of disability support needs as reflected in an assessment tool called the Guide to Support Allocation (GSA). Each GSA level aligns with a total compensation amount. Home sharing providers receive this total compensation via payments from CLBC and individual contributions. Individuals contribute a portion of their income, usually based on whether they are under 65 and receive BC Disability Assistance (often called "PWD"), or over 65 and receive the Old Age Security/Guaranteed Income Supplement (OAS/GIS).

[To view last year's rate structure \(2019\) please click here.](#)

CLBC Home Sharing Rates <i>Effective April 1, 2020</i>		Payment Amounts			
		For Individuals Under 65		For Individuals aged 65 and over	
Guide to Support Allocation Level	Total Compensation \$	CLBC Portion \$	Individual Contribution \$	CLBC Portion \$	Individual Contribution \$
1	1,716.00	1000.00	716.00	710.20	1,005.80
2	2,016.00	1,300.00	716.00	1,010.20	1,005.80
3A	2,301.00	1,585.00	716.00	1,295.20	1,005.80
3B *Includes one or more ongoing flags	2,511.00	1,795.00	716.00	1,505.20	1,005.80
4A	2,876.00	2,160.00	716.00	1,870.20	1,005.80
4B *Includes one or two ongoing flags	3,086.00	2,370.00	716.00	2,080.20	1,005.80
4C *Includes three or more ongoing flags	3,241.00	2,525.00	716.00	2,235.20	1,005.80
5A	3,396.00	2,680.00	716.00	2,390.20	1,005.80
5B *Includes one or two ongoing flags	3,961.00	3,245.00	716.00	2,955.20	1,005.80
5C *Includes three or four ongoing flags	4,686.00	3,970.00	716.00	3,680.20	1,005.80
5D *Includes five ongoing flags	5,641.00	4,925.00	716.00	4,635.20	1,005.80

**An ongoing flag indicates a persistent exceptional need that requires special consideration and/or additional funding to ensure the individual's needs continue to be met.*

Notes

- 1) Total compensation amounts apply to all home sharing providers.
- 2) Payment amounts apply to most individuals in Home Sharing but will be adjusted where the individual receives less PWD, or OAS/GIS, than a single person who does not have other income.
- 3) Home sharing contract includes funds for home sharing providers to purchase respite; the standard amount is two (2) days per month.

If you have questions specific to your contract, please contact your coordinating agency or if you have funding directly from CLBC, your CLBC Analyst.

Frequently Asked Questions

How much new funding is CLBC receiving for home sharing providers in 2020?

Effective April 1, 2020, CLBC will receive \$9.5 million in new funding that will go directly towards providing increases to Home Sharing Providers across the province.

How much of an increase will home sharing providers receive?

All rates are being increased for a second year. As of April 1, 2020, every CLBC funded home sharing provider will receive a minimum increase of \$100 per month, and many providers will be eligible for more increases depending on the disability-related needs of the individual they support.

When will I receive my increase?

Government funding to CLBC is effective April 1st, 2020. CLBC will work as quickly as possible with our coordinating agencies to update thousands of contracts across the province, but this will take some time to complete. All payments will be retroactive to April 1, 2020.

How much of an increase have home share providers been given with these two years of increases?

After the second-year increases, all home sharing providers will have received a minimum of \$1,200 per year increase, with many receiving more.

Will I be retroactively paid?

Yes, you will be retroactively paid from April 1st, 2020.

What if I am already being paid above policy rate?

The majority of home sharing providers are paid in line with our existing rate structure. Some home sharing providers, however, are already being paid above increased rates due to exceptional circumstances. The latter will still receive an increase of \$100 per month.

Will any home sharing provider receive a decrease in their payment?

No home sharing provider will receive a decrease in their overall monthly payment.

Does all the new funding go to home sharing providers?

Yes, All the new funding that was announced for home sharing providers goes directly to increases for home sharing providers.

Government announced it was increasing CLBC's respite rates this year. Will home sharing providers see an increase in their rates?

No. The recently announced respite increase is for CLBC's Direct Funded Respite which is for family members who are caring for CLBC eligible individuals. Home Sharing providers are receiving an increase this year to their monthly home sharing rate payments.

Will person centered societies / micro boards get the increase for their home sharing providers?

All home sharing providers including those funded through individualized funding, person centered societies/micro boards and live in supports are included.

How are home sharing provider rates calculated?

The rates are calculated based on the individuals Guide to Support Allocation (GSA) and the level of needs that a person may have. All rates in each level of compensation were increased in 2019.

If I am paid above the rate associated with the persons GSA will you reduce my rate?

Home Sharing providers will not experience a decrease in their overall contract payment, even if the GSA for the individual is assessed at a lower level than what the provider is currently being paid.

Will you be updating GSA's?

A completed GSA is only reviewed / updated when an individual's disability related needs have significantly changed. If someone would like their GSA updated, they would follow normal CLBC practice, which is to contact the local CLBC office or for agency coordinated home share providers, they should contact their agency home share coordinator.

What if I disagree with the rate associated with the GSA of the person I support?

- If you are concerned that the individual's current disability related needs have significantly changed, you would contact your local CLBC office and ask for a facilitator to review your request.
- Agency coordinated home sharing providers should contact their agency home share coordinator. The agency will contact the local CLBC office.

I have been told I need to transition from a direct home sharing contract over to an agency – will this affect my funding?

No, moving to an agency does not affect your funding.

If I am a new home sharing provider, will I be paid at the new rate?

New home sharing situations that begin as of April 1, 2020 will be funded at these new levels and rates.

Do I have to do anything to get the increase?

Whether you are a direct home sharing provider, or an agency coordinated home sharing provider, you do not need to take any action. CLBC is working with our coordinating agencies to update contracts.

Where can I get more information?

For more information on this increase, including a table with the new rates, a Q and A, and other provincial initiatives, visit the Home Sharing section on CLBC's [website](#). You can also subscribe to receive email updates on Home Sharing here: [subscribe](#).