

Common + Stamford, Connecticut

Understanding the housing crisis

Growth of rent-burdenship

From 2000 to 2010, while **rents increased 12% nationally, median income fell by 7%**.

47.5% of American tenants (20 million renters) are rent-burdened -- spending more than 30% of their income on rent. **6.5%** of high-earning renters (\$75,000+ annual income) are rent-burdened.

Between 1990 and 2016, **median rents and median home prices outpaced overall inflation by 20% and 41% respectively**. Middle-income (80-100% AMI) single workers are rapidly getting priced out of quality living situations in today's cities.

Percentage of renter population that is rent-burdened, 2019



Fundamental demographic shifts

Increasing household size: With more and more Americans choosing to live with roommates, the average household size increased for the first time since 1790.

Changing household composition: In New York City, the majority of all households are comprised of single persons living alone or with roommates. One in four NYC households contains two or more single adults living in a shared unit. 58% of the single-adult renter households are rent-burdened.

Effects of student-loan debt: Because home ownership has become prohibitively expensive and because Americans are saddled with more student-loan debt than ever before, more people are choosing to rent deep into their 30s and 40s.

In response to these shifts and the call for more affordable housing, we should be building more units that cater to roommate living. As households take on a wider range of configurations, so should the housing stock.

Sources: 1960-2000 Decennial Censuses and 2010-2014 American Community Surveys Citizens Housing Planning Council. "The Making Room Household Model." 2018. The State of the Nation's Housing. Joint Center for Housing Studies. 2019.





Making cities affordable at scale

Common Living

Key Stats:

- Founded: 2015
- Employees: 180

Funding:

- \$63.4 million
- Key investors: Norwest Venture Partners, Maveron, and 8VC

Buildings:

- Open buildings: 41
- Signed buildings: 160+
- Signed beds: 14,500+

Cities:

- Open cities: 6
- Signed cities: 20

Common Living



Common cities



Monthly Lead Volume

Demand for coliving is soaring



Common members

Well-educated professionals, new to the city

Median Age	29	
Median Income	\$60,000-80,000	
Diversity	Members hail from 27 different countries. 32% were born abroad	
Education	88% are college graduates	
Mobility	66% are new to their city	
Job Location	82% of members work in a physical office	

A glance at our open homes



Sterling, NYC

Terry, Seattle

Baltic, NYC

Melrose, LA

Leaders in density-driven design









Common Racine - Chicago

Common Sterling - Brooklyn

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A glance at our upcoming projects



Two Saints, New Orleans 218 beds

Roosevelt, New York 253 beds

Zibi, Ottawa 252 beds

La Salle, Chicago 112 beds

Leaders in density-driven design

Common Addams

Pilsen, Chicago

Opening 2020

Common Addams	Units (59)	
Traditionals	3	
Coliving beds	217	

Coliving demand is high even in lower-rent cities, such as Chicago. Rents at Common Addams will start at **\$950 per bedroom.**

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Common Grove

Coconut Grove, Miami Opening 2021

Common Grove	Units (377)		
Traditionals	331		
Coliving beds	197		

Common's largest project under development is a hybrid building with a **mix of traditional units and coliving units.** Hybrid buildings with diverse product offerings **de-risk and shorten** lease up timing and **extend customer lifetime value.**

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Coliving is *naturally* affordable

What exactly is coliving?

High-density apartments (3BR+) in which individuals have their own private bedroom while sharing a kitchen, living room, and amenity spaces with their suitemates.

Coliving is an alternative to a studio apartment. Common offers renters access to quality rental product with:

- Better **affordability** and value
- Enhanced **convenience** with a suite of services that create a seamless roommate experience
- Active and engaging **community**
- Geographic flexibility
- Emotionally sensitive design and tech integration
- On-demand customer service





A Common shared suite

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Density unlocks affordability

Building	Market	Average Comparable Studio Rent	Average Common Coliving Rent	Common Rent Reduction
Common Baltic	Brooklyn, NY	\$2,775	\$2,035	27%
Common Melrose	Los Angeles, CA	\$2,280	\$1,790	21%
Common Richardson	Washington, DC	\$2,070	\$1,600	23%
Common Racine	Chicago, IL	\$1,317	\$995	24%
Common MacArthur	Oakland, CA	\$1,980	\$1,500	24%

Common drives affordability via public-private partnerships

Cities, such as New York, Atlanta, and New Orleans, understand that Common's coliving model is a vehicle to develop affordable housing at the pace and scale required to hit their affordability goals.



Invest Atlanta

"Coliving model provides new pathway to affordable housing in Atlanta"

Common Englewood

15% of bedrooms at 80% AMI

Curbed New York

"NYC launches pilot for affordable coliving developments"

Common Roosevelt

67% of bedrooms at 50-120% AMI

The New Orleans Advocate

"Nola coliving complex gets tax break, agrees to keep rents steady for 15 years"

Common Two Saints

100% of bedrooms at 100% AMI

ShareNYC

New York City's affordable coliving pilot program

NYC selects Common to deliver affordable housing

300.000 affordable units

by 2026.

Development issues the

RFFI in search of a scalable

coliving solution.

In October 2019, Common and L+M's joint proposal was selected as the winner of ShareNYC: New York City's competition aimed at creating more affordable housing through coliving. The winning project, **Common Roosevelt**, speaks to the core of Common's mission and the ethos of coliving. It will provide an innovative solution to the city's housing crisis to be replicated more broadly across the five boroughs.



from the NYC HPD. The

project in East Harlem is

set to begin development.

relieve the rent burden on

the citizens of NYC.

the pilot, the mayor's office will define and clarify broader regulations around shared housing.



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Rooming units (bedrooms)

Affordable units (restricted at 50-120% AMI) **116,000**

Gross square feet

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East Harlem

NYC

Scalable model for affordable housing

Increased allowable density

Cross-subsidization

Incentives









The higher NOI from market-rate coliving allows developers to partially subsidize more affordable housing, eliminating the needs for any government subsidies Discretionary tax abatements and flexible land use regulations / zoning variances will encourage the development of projects delivering substantial affordability to more residents

How cities win	How developers win	How Common wins
✓Accelerate development of affordable units	✓ Increased flexibility with affordable unit typologies	✓ Increased demand for operation expertise
 Relieve rent burden on citizens Provide housing supply that better matches today's demand 	 Increased returns created by high density affordable units Clarified regulations around coliving 	 Clarified regulations around coliving Influence over the future of housing

Coliving in Stamford

Stamford's demographic profile is well-suited for coliving

The current demographic + economic trends in Stamford align with Common's target population.



Sample Common Co-Living Members



Beth is a 30 year old Sales Associate at a clothing company in Greenwich, CT. The accessibility to transit and the added affordability are a perfect match for her. Jake is a 28 year old librarian at UConn Stamford. The convenience of weekly cleaning and the rooming unit being fully furnished add convenience to his life and allow him to spend his free hours making trips to New York City.

Coliving Enables Organic Affordability | Stamford, CT

	Jacobi 36% Discount		
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Rent	\$1,130	\$1,475	\$1,900
Furnishings	\$150	\$100	\$150
Utilities	\$55	\$30	\$45
Washer/Dryer	\$25	\$40	\$40
Cleaning	\$90	\$100	\$150
Supplies	\$25	\$30	\$40
Wifi	\$50	\$25	\$50
Total Cost:	\$1,525	\$1,800	\$2,375

Demand for Coliving in Stamford Exceeds Projected Supply

- Using rental status, age (25-40 years old) and income (\$40-80k) as a proxy, the estimated market for coliving in Stamford is ~3,000 people
- 62 West Park Place will account for only 6.5% of potential demand in Stamford by 2021

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Supply: Coliving Pipeline Stamford Total Population
 Demand: Coliving Target Demographic (Millenial Renter with \$40k-\$80k Income)

Stamford | Coliving Supply vs. Demand

Why 62 West Park Place?



Downtown Stamford is a alkable, urban location Common members prefer walking and access to neighborhood amenities



Coliving is transit-oriented development Metro-North Railroad and CT Transit services allow residents greater flexibility to travel without a car



Diversify Downtown Stamford's housing typologies Coliving will allow residents to live in this desirable downtown location that could not otherwise afford it



