## Community housing project in Schwabenheimer Hof is looking for new roommates!

Dear interested parties,

Do you want more community in your life? Living in a small village close to Neckar? Do you want to co-organize your housing project and support it in solidarity? Then you should definitely read on here! Because in our community housing project an apartment and a shared room will become available in summer.

### **Der Feldwinkel**

We are 16 adults and almost as many children between 0 and 53 years old. Some of us already live in Feldwinkel [www.feldwinkel.org] – our community housing project in the Schwabenheimer Hof, district of Dossenheim. The small village is idyllically located between the Neckar and the

Dossenheim fields. There is a farm shop and a restaurant, lots of horses, agriculture, green spaces and soon even a secondhand department store.

kilometers to Ladenburg, seven to Heidelberg and around 15 to Mannheim. The driveway to A5 is right around the corner.

We will all be moving to Schwabenheim around August and September 2024. Then our new building will be finished – a

five apartment building made of wood, straw and clay. In total, there will be 850 square meters of living space on the 1,700 square meter property - divided into eight apartments in the new building and two existing buildings. The apartments are designed with relatively little private living space. These are added by several common rooms that we use together.

Since summer 2022, Feldwinkel has been part of the Mietshäuser Syndikat [www.syndikat.org]. The



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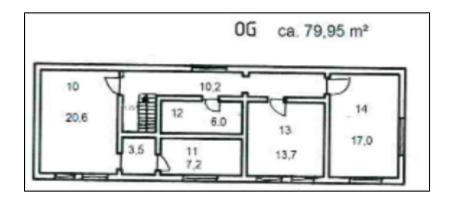
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community in our housing project is based on three things: 1. We want to live together communual, for example sharing things, meet each other actively or inviting the village community to events. 2. We want to live together in solidarity, so we want to structure the rents according needs and support each other in everyday life. 3. We organize our community living project ourselves – and yes, that means work. For example, we meet once a week and discuss upcoming

activities (see picture: new building).

## The apartment

Around August and September (the exact moving plan is not fixed yet) an apartment will become available in one of the existing buildings. It is located on the first floor in our "Bauernhaus" – a two-floor building with two apartments and a shared living room (including a fireplace). The apartment itself (excluding the shared living room) is 80 square meters. This includes three rooms (one is a walk-through room), a small kitchen, a storage room and an indoor bathroom. Bekky and Jonas will live on the ground floor with their son Malu. You would share the living room with them. The living room is on the ground floor and is approx. 30 square meters in size.



Floor plan: Apartment 1st floor, room 11: kitchen, 12: bathroom, attention: there is a walkthrough between 11 and 13 and no wall between 13 and the corridor.

The rent for the apartment is 688 euros cold (8.60 euros per square meter). The additional costs including internet, garbage fees, etc. will probably be around 240 − 300 €. (As we are installing a new heating system for all buildings as part of the new construction, we can only estimate this number.) There are also costs for the common areas. We will still decide how best to distribute these in solidarity.

# The room

From August or September we are also looking for a roommate for the shared apartment in the attic of the new building. The room is 13 square meters in size and is directly connected to an open kitchen-living room of 44 square meters. This common room will be used by everyone who will live in the attic. So far these are Nathalie, Mathias, their daughter Frieda and the trainee Lucia. Arjen and Tatjana will also move into the attic. They have their own kitchen but will use the shared room as well. You would only share your bathroom with Lucia.

The rent is expected to be 250 euros cold. Because the construction work has not yet been completed yet, we can only estimate the costs so far. There are also additional costs (heating internet etc.) and costs for the common areas. We will still decide how we want to distribute these among ourselves.

### We and You!

We are looking for people who not only live with us, but also want to actively be involved in Feldwinkel. We can easily imagine a shared apartment for the free apartment, but we are, for example, also happy about single parents with families - and generally about people of all ages! We dream of a place where we not only share cars, bikes and living rooms, but also care work, meals and stories. For this to work well, it would be nice if you speak German or English or are at least in the process of learning one of those languages. It is also important to us that we share some basic values: We want to meet and respect each other as equals - regardless of gender, sexual orientation, age, appearance, origin or religion. We maintain an equal, democratic and appreciative relationship, even if we don't agree in some discussions.

If you recognize yourself in this description and our idea of communal living appeals to you, please contact us at feldwinkel@posteo.de with some information. We are excited!

## Time schedule

We will take our time finding the right party and in the coming weeks we will create several opportunities in which we can meet and get to know each other. This also gives you the opportunity to find out whether you can imagine living in Feldwinkel. We are currently aiming to select a party by the beginning of June 2024, who can then specifically participate in the project. So that we can get a good impression of each other beforehand, it would be good if you get in touch by the beginning of April 2024.