

Imani Farm and Village Terraces Cohousing Neighborhood Work Exchange

Construction/Building

You will help us with building projects at our home. Some work will be sanding, painting, staining, and if you have an aptitude for more detailed work, opportunities abound. We primarily utilize lumber as we live in a forest and this is the material most available to us. You will work alone and with others, primarily with Mihaly, a long-time builder and facilities manager at our neighborhood and at Earthaven. You will likely learn natural and conventional building techniques on-the-job.

Homestead/Farm

You will help us with homestead and farm chores, land clearing, gardening, small projects related to homesteading, food production including butter, cream, and yogurt, animal care and slaughter (mostly of our chickens which happens three times a year), landscaping, perennial management, and various other duties. Creation of agricultural land is an ongoing task at Earthaven. This involves clearing land, felling trees, hauling and stacking brush, amending soils, and seeding. It's likely this will be a part of your agriculture experience here.

Utilities Management

Living off the grid takes a lot of responsibility in terms of monitoring power, adjusting functions, and creating and processing firewood (for our boiler which provides heat and hot water for our neighborhood). You will help our neighborhood with our off-grid systems management and maintenance by assisting us in our day to day lives.