

**We are looking for a companion for our daughter who lives in Berkeley:**  
**Great housing in exchange for 2 hours of service each day**

We have created a lively, supportive household for our daughter who lives in a single-family home in Berkeley. Two female housemates share the house with her, one younger, the other older, to provide companionship and help manage her household. Presently we are looking to fill the position for the younger housemate (20's to 40's) as a peer for our daughter: someone mature, flexible, and with a sense of fun. This part-time companionship role consists of 2 hours of service daily (14 hours/week), which equals the live-in benefit (so no rent). The position will be available mid-June, but the start date is flexible.

On some days of the week the 2 hours are needed in the morning; on the others in the evening, including preparing and sharing dinner. The preferred morning hours are from 9 and 11, and the evening hours from 5:30 to 7:30, with some flexibility. A predictable schedule is coordinated with the other housemate. We would like the housemate to spend most nights at the house.

Our daughter, bright, college-educated and artistic, lived independently in the past. After becoming ill in her 20's, she is now doing well, artistically engaged and independent in many ways. We, her parents, live nearby and spend some time together on most days.

The private home is located on a quiet North Berkeley street in a family neighborhood. Solano Ave. and Monterey Street shopping areas are nearby, as are North Berkeley BART and several bus lines. The house has 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths, with a modern, well-equipped kitchen, a deck and a yard. Our daughter has an indoor/outdoor cat. (We are unable to accept another pet.)

The living space for the companion consists of a bright room with closet and semi-private bathroom. Shared areas: living room, dining room, deck and yard. Utilities, washer/dryer, cable and Wi-Fi are included benefits. The more senior housemate lives in a downstairs studio.

This part-time role is compatible with student status or employment outside the home up to 3/4 time, provided that work or studies fit and continue to fit the hours we need. This position is *not* compatible with full-time work. We are looking for a one-year commitment: a well-working arrangement can be extended. This arrangement works best for candidates who have an ongoing, positive relationship with their own family, as this is a family-like community. Past housemates have found their role gratifying. Artistic and musical interests are welcome.

Applicants must be nonsmokers and committed non-users of marijuana or any other recreational drugs. This is an alcohol-free and drug-free home. Three excellent references, two of them recent and one related to the candidate's current housing, are required.

If you are replying to this ad ([monika.denali@gmail.com](mailto:monika.denali@gmail.com)), please write a little about yourself, including why this position interests you, and why you think it would work well for you and us.

We look forward to hearing from you!