



Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Do I have to sign a long-term contract to become a Sunnybrook Village resident?
- A. No. Sunnybrook Village is a rental community, and residency is on a month-by-month basis. You do not have to purchase your residence, nor do you have to sign a long-term lease.
- Q. Moving is a big decision. Is there some way I can experience Sunnybrook Village before committing to moving in?
- A. Yes! Our exclusive Smart Stay™ program allows you to spend one or two nights, free of charge, at Sunnybrook Village in a furnished suite. You'll be invited to take part in all scheduled social, educational, and recreational programs. The program includes all Sunnybrook Village amenities, services, and meals. Smart Stay™...it's the smart way to discover life at Sunnybrook Village!
- Q. May my pet live with me at Sunnybrook Village?
- A. Small, well-mannered pets are welcome at Sunnybrook Village. There are some restrictions on the size and number of pets you may have, however. Each resident's situation will be assessed individually.
- Q. I enjoy entertaining friends and family. May I have guests join me for meals?
- A. Mealtime guests are welcome at Sunnybrook Village. You may wish to prepare meals for your guests in your suite's kitchen or kitchenette; or for a modest fee, they may join you for meals in the elegant Sunnybrook Village dining room overlooking picturesque Moose Pond.
- Q. Occasionally I entertain small groups of friends and family. Are there facilities at Sunnybrook for private parties or gatherings?
- A. Yes. Sunnybrook Village has a tastefully decorated activity center, craft center, conference room, and an elegant private dining room for the use of residents and their guests.
- Q. Is living at Sunnybrook Village more expensive than living in my own home or apartment?
- A. Quite often, living at Sunnybrook Village is less expensive than living in your own house or apartment. Take a moment to add up your true living costs, including mortgage or rent payments; utilities; condominium fees; cleaning, security, snow plowing, lawn care, and trash services; property taxes; maintenance and repair; and homeowner's insurance. Then add up the costs of expenses such as meals and snacks, transportation, and home-visit health care services. And don't forget to add in the cost of social and cultural events. All of these and more are included in the simple monthly rental fee at Sunnybrook Village! You'll find a convenient worksheet in this package to help you compare the true cost of your current lifestyle to the cost of living at Sunnybrook Village.
- Q. I enjoy gardening. Is there a place where I can grow my own flowers or vegetables?
- A. Yes! Individual raised gardens are available for residents with green thumbs. Vegetable gardens, flower gardens, or both—the choice is yours. In addition to the individual gardens, Sunnybrook Village residents are welcome to help with the Village's rose garden, adjacent to the community patio.

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- Q. I worry about emergency medical problems. Is Sunnybrook Village close to a full-service hospital?
- A. The stately tower of Mid Coast Hospital, mid-coast Maine's most modern diagnostic and healthcare facility, can be seen from Sunnybrook Village. Mid Coast Hospital is a recently completed, \$36.5 million, 190,000-sq. ft. acute-care facility providing 24-hour emergency service, complete in-patient and outpatient surgery, and a full range of rehabilitation programs (physical, occupational, and speech therapies, plus a hearing center). The hospital occupies a 155-acre campus adjacent to Sunnybrook Village. Also, less than 10 minutes away, near Brunswick's residential center, is the beautiful campus of Parkview Hospital, a 55-bed acute-care facility that has grown with the town since its doors first opened in 1959.
- Q. I'm an active person. Are there cultural events and activities in the area beyond those provided by Sunnybrook?
- A. Of course! Bowdoin College, a world-renowned, 207-year-old liberal arts college, is located nearby and offers a dynamic range of educational and cultural programs to the community, as well as free class offerings for seniors. The community of Brunswick also is home to the Maine Music Theater, as well as many cultural events and groups which provide a wide variety of exciting opportunities throughout the year.
- Q. I can live anywhere I'd like, and the quality of life in my community is important to me. What makes Brunswick a community of choice for retirees like myself?
- A. Brunswick offers the best of many worlds. It's an intimate, comfortable community, where crime is virtually non-existent. It's surrounded by Maine's legendary forests and is adjacent to the ocean. At the same time, it enjoys the vitality that comes with being a college community. Nearby air, rail, and ferry transportation options are convenient and reliable. And Brunswick is just minutes from the famed shopping Mecca of Freeport, home of L.L. Bean; and the city of Portland, Maine's business and cultural center. In fact, Money Magazine* named Brunswick one of the top five retirement communities in the United States.

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