## Our flavor of cohousing

Cohousing communities are neighborhoods created with intention and design by the people who live there. They mingle independence and privacy with the shared inclination to look out for one another, as happens in the best of organic neighborhoods. No two cohousing groups are the same. Here is Valverde Commons' approach:

- Some cohousing communities are predesigned developments. While we have all participated in the planning of the site, we will each purchase our own lot and design our own home—within guidelines of aesthetics and sustainability.
- Cohousing communities always share some common areas. We will share 14 acres of open green space with trails and community gardens. We will also share a community building for potluck meals, meetings, classes, and parties; a barn with a workshop; and some community tools and equipment.
- Some cohousing groups expect residents to participate in scheduled community meetings.

At Valverde Commons, we like the idea of letting our relationships build organically. We will have group meetings, but only when necessary and participation is optional. We've all been to enough meetings to last a lifetime!

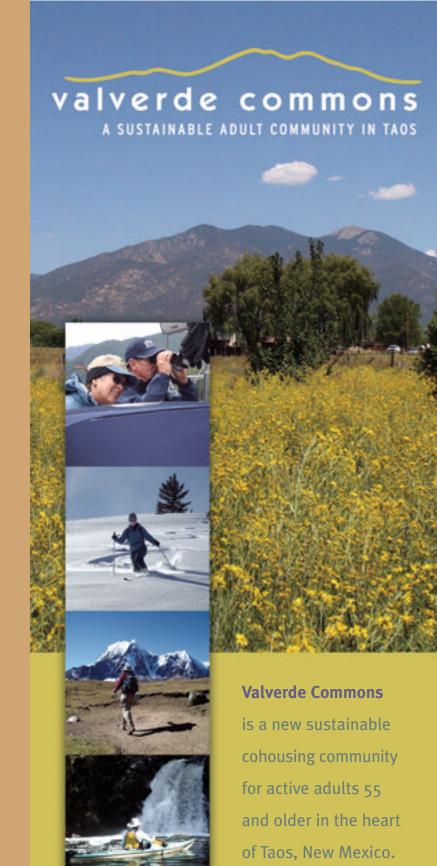
**Cohousing residents manage their own communities.** 

Valverde Commons residents can participate according to their individual interests.

- In some cohousing groups, every decision is made by consensus. At Valverde Commons, we'd love to operate by consensus, and we will seek to do so, however when that fails—as it sometimes does we'll go with majority rule.
- All cohousing groups are about living harmoniously and cooperatively together. By living in Valverde Commons, we're also committing to be the kind of respectful, generous neighbor we'd want to have next door.



valverde commons
A SUSTAINABLE ADULT COMMUNITY IN TAOS



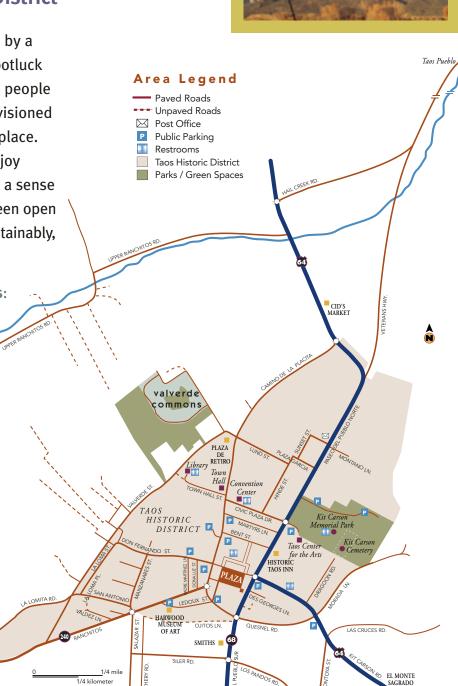


## Sustainable, cooperative, independent living, only steps from Taos Historic District

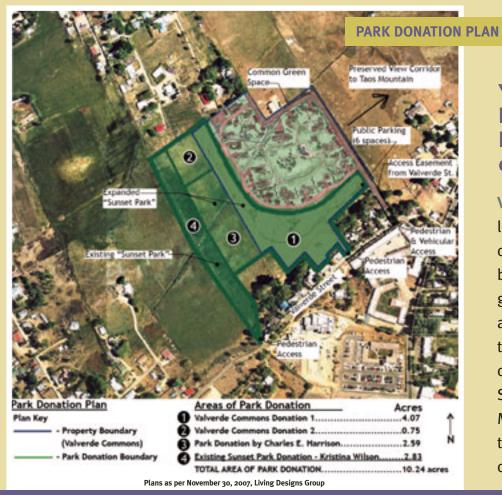
Valverde Commons is a dream cooked up by a group of long-term residents over many potluck dinners. These active artists and business people discussed growing older in Taos; they envisioned a neighborhood where they could age in place. Each could build his or her own home, enjoy independence and privacy, and also share a sense of support and friendship—with lots of green open space. And best of all, it would be built sustainably, with respect for the environment.

Among the features of Valverde Commons:

- Four acres of green space within the development and an adjacent ten-acre park with walking paths and community gardens.
- Each lot designed for incredible views of Taos Mountain and optimal solar gain.
- Infrastructure includes underground utilities to each lot, roads, and pathways.
- Within easy walking distance of Taos Plaza, Taos Public Library, Taos Farmers' Market and the rest of Taos Historic District.
- Community house with kitchen and meeting space, a barn with workshop, equipment, recycling, and composting facilities.







## You can own your own home and lot in this beautiful new community of active adults.

Valverde Commons comprises 28 lots on 10 acres surrounding 4 acres of open green space. Each home will be owner-designed and built within guidelines of sustainability and aesthetics. All sites will come with town utilities to the lot, access to the open green spaces of an expanded Sunset Park, and spectacular Taos Mountain views. If this sounds good to you, we'd love to have you join our community!



**STEPHEN ROSE** 575-770-1562 stephen@ValverdeCommons.com



BOB DRAPER 575-770-1208 bob@ValverdeCommons.com

Bob and Stephen are residents and developers of this project, along with about twenty other resident cocreators. Contact them, or your favorite real estate agent, to receive more information and for a tour of the site.





## valverde commons

A SUSTAINABLE ADULT COMMUNITY IN TAOS

ValverdeCommons.com | 575-770-0208 or 770-1562 inquiry@ValverdeCommons.com