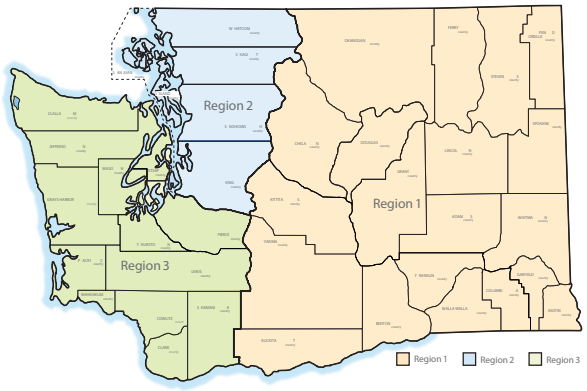
You can be an Alternative Living Provider

- Are you 21 years or older?
- Do you have a high school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED)?

If you answered yes to the questions above and have an interest in supporting individuals in the community, contact your local DDA Field Services Office and ask to speak with a resource manager.

You can also reach out to the regional staff listed on the back.



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What is Alternative Living?

One-on-one services for individuals who need assistance maintaining or increasing independence at home and in the community.

Alternative Living helps people develop life skills in any of the following categories:

- establishing a residence
- home living
- community living
- health and safety
- social activities
- community integration
- protection and advocacy
- other training as identified in the individual's person-centered service plan.

Alternative Living supports improve a person's quality of life by connecting them to the community and increasing or maintaining life skills needed to live independently. This service is available on the Core Waiver.

Alternative Living helps people develop life skills to improve their quality of life and live independently.

What support will you provide?

- Participate in service-plan development.
- Work with the individual on goals identified in the service plan.
- Work with the individual in the home or community.
- Develop strategies with the individual to increase independence in various life skills.
- Use teaching aids and instruction techniques for individual learning styles and ability level.

How does the department reimburse Alternative Living Providers?

Alternative Living providers are reimbursed at an hourly pay rate and for transportation miles when transporting a client.

Who is eligible to receive services from an Alternative Living Provider?

A person must be:

- 18 or older
- Living outside of parents home or plan on moving out of their parents home
- Authorized to receive residential services from an Alternative Living Provider