Community Living Pricing

Some people want to age in place, while others might be looking for companionship and extra in a senior community. Having choice is important to us all. The following outlines the approximate cost of various living options. Please note there are large ranges of costs for each category depending on location and amenities.

**RCFE, (Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, also known as Board and Cares)** range from $3,500 to $7,000 depending on location of residence, level of care and size of room. Also, private versus shared. These are privately owned homes.

**Assisted Living Facilities** range from $4,500 to $12,000 a month, depending upon level of care. Most services are a la carte, raising the monthly premium significantly. Size of the apartment (a studio, one or two bedrooms with one or two baths) also factors into cost. If you are sharing with someone, there is an additional charge per person.

**Memory Care** can be significantly more, ranging from $6,000 monthly for a shared room and $12,000 for a private room.

**Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)** can be short or long term, based upon the diagnosis. If rehabbing, insurance will cover a percentage of a SNF stay and if/when insurance runs out, the average cost of a SNF in California ranges from $6,800-$11,000 a month.

**Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs)** offer an inclusive living and care package: independent, assisted, memory care and nursing are all included. You usually pay a large entrance fee and a monthly fee and are thus guaranteed care for life.