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## HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Some CIEE Work & Travel USA employers offer housing for students. If your employer offers housing, you will be informed of that when you are hired. If they do not offer housing, your employer can still help by recommending places to stay.

### THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF HOUSING:

- Short-term housing: A temporary place to stay while you look for long-term housing.
- Long-term housing: An apartment or house to rent on a long-term basis, often shared with other CIEE Work & Travel USA students. It is a good idea to look for long-term housing before you arrive in the U.S.

### A Place to Stay When You First Arrive

It is very important to **arrange for short-term accommodations before you leave for the United States**. Depending on your final destination, you might need to find more than one place as you travel to your final destination.

Here are affordable options that are popular with CIEE students:

#### Hostels

Staying at a hostel can be an adventure. You get to interact with new people from all over the world. Hostels generally offer shared or private rooms with shared bathrooms. Options include:

- Hostelling International USA  
[www.hiusa.org](http://www.hiusa.org)
- Hostelling International New York  
[www.hinewyork.org](http://www.hinewyork.org)
- YMCA / YWCA  
[www.ymca.int](http://www.ymca.int)
- Hostel World  
[www.hostelworld.com](http://www.hostelworld.com)

#### Hotels & Motels

Hotels and motels, while more expensive, also offer better amenities and more privacy. To discover your options and compare prices, visit these sites:

- [www.StudentUniverse.com](http://www.StudentUniverse.com)
- [www.Hotels.com](http://www.Hotels.com)
- [www.Booking.com](http://www.Booking.com)
- [www.Trivago.com](http://www.Trivago.com)
- [www.Expedia.com](http://www.Expedia.com)
- [www.Kayak.com](http://www.Kayak.com)
- [www.Orbitz.com](http://www.Orbitz.com)
- [www.Priceline.com](http://www.Priceline.com)
- [www.Hotwire.com](http://www.Hotwire.com)
- [www.Travelocity.com](http://www.Travelocity.com)

**Universities and colleges** may offer budget accommodations in their student housing. If there is a college or university near your job, contact the student housing office for more information.

### A Place to Live for the Length of Your Stay

Visit the different neighborhoods near your job. This will help you decide where you want to stay long-term. Look for a place where you feel safe, that is convenient to shopping and transit, and where you will enjoy spending time. Also think about how long it will take and how much it will cost to get to work. Ask your employer or co-workers if an apartment you are considering is in a safe neighborhood.