

Safehaven Public Ecovillage provides a public service using *ecosophy* (deep ecology) to help fill a social-justice gap that vulnerable individuals rarely experience as an intentional eco-community member. Non-profit organizations serving the vulnerable population are often cut-off from the benefits and enjoyment of nature, equally as much as inner-city clients and sobriety-living residents. At SHPEV, we want to change this drive away from nature by incorporating deep ecology (*ecosophy*) at every level of operation. We want to ensure that nature is not viewed as mere resources for profitable gain—instead, our stakeholders, participants, and clientele experience nature in a symbiotic manner. The intrinsic worth of both nature and our primary stakeholders are synergistically bound together in a reciprocal relationship—we can't live without clean water, and the earth can't thrive without healthy sunlight. Similarly, intergenerational services are vital at SHPEV because they help support our clients' families' quality of life through the seventh generation and beyond. Therefore, SHPEV adheres to sustainable principles and the integration of nature to benefit clients' family and their relatives, loved ones, and friends—one must live beyond sobriety to be in harmony with these goals and values.