



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What is the cost of rent?**

Rent for the 2024-2025 academic year is \$925/month. Leases for the academic year are mid-September to mid-June. Rent for summer 2024 is \$500/month (food is not included in the summer). Summer rent is month to month and runs mid-June to mid-September.

## **What does rent include?**

Double-occupancy room in fully furnished house, all utilities including wi-fi, free laundry on-site, prepared dinners 5 nights a week, stocked kitchen with food for breakfast, lunch and weekends. Depending on occupancy, a limited number of single rooms may be available at a higher rent. Please speak to the admissions coordinator to inquire.

## **Where is the Onyx House located? Is it near campus?**

The Onyx House is located at 1850 Onyx Street, just off of 18th Street. It's very close to campus (basically across the street from UO, and a few blocks from Bushnell) and located next to the Jane Sanders Softball Stadium, tennis courts, and Hayward Field.

## **What are the bedrooms like, and is any furniture provided?**

Each bedroom is comparable to a dorm room in size and includes a twin bunk bed, two closets, two dressers, and curtains on the window. While the bedrooms are small, the house has large shared living spaces as well as designated areas for quiet times and social times including a prayer room, a study room, TV lounge on the women's and men's floors, living room, and basement.

## **Do I have to be an enrolled student to live at Onyx?**

No! You need to be college-age (18-24ish years old), but enrollment as a student is not required. Currently, we have residents who are students at UO, Bushnell, LCC, OSU, and several working non-students.

## **What if my school has a live-on-campus requirement?**

Although UO requires freshmen to live in campus housing, there is a religious exemption process that our residents have had success with. The Onyx House admissions coordinator is happy to walk you through that process, and can answer your questions about the exemption process for other schools as well

## **What is the food like? What if I have dietary restrictions or allergies?**

Onyx is fortunate to have delicious meals provided for every weeknight dinner, prepared by our cook, John Warner. Residents are encouraged to invite guests to dinner. The kitchen remains stocked with food for breakfasts, lunches, snacks, and weekend dinners. Dietary restrictions can be accommodated.



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## What is the community like?

The residents are all professing Christians who have expressed a desire to grow in their faith while living in community. We come from many different backgrounds, churches, and locations. From born-and-raised Eugene locals, to those as far away as Germany or Japan! It's challenging to learn to live together but we believe that doing so is a beautiful thing that expresses the body of Christ and grows us as people. The house hosts several events each year that encourage bonding and friendship among residents - these get kicked off upon move in in September with the Week of Welcome which is packed with fun activities. There's also a formal Christmas party, Guys' Night and Girls' Night, late-night breakfasts during dead week, and more

## Is there parking?

A very limited number of parking spaces are available to residents in the alley behind the house. Parking is assigned by drawing names each term and a \$45/term fee. There are also street and overnight lot parking options available nearby. We also have an enclosed and locked shed to store bikes

## Who leads the Onyx House?

The Onyx House has been run and operated by Faith Center, a Foursquare church in Eugene, since 1998. The church has long had a passion for serving college-age young adults on campus, believes strongly in intentionally engaging in Christian discipleship, and releasing women and men of every generation to live into God's calling on their lives. To learn more about Faith Center, [click here](#). To learn more about the Foursquare denomination, [click here](#). The Onyx House is overseen by Faith Center's College-Age Pastor, Julie Langenberg. Julie and her husband Chris live in an apartment on site to lead and minister to the campus community in close proximity. Both the men's floor and women's floor have a floor manager (much like a Resident Advisor or RA), who help manage the operational functions of the house and are community ambassadors to encourage residents in their growth spiritually, socially, and academically.

## Do I have to attend Faith Center church to live at Onyx?

Since Onyx is an extension of the Faith Center congregation, we do ask residents to prioritize church attendance at Faith Center on Sundays. Many residents have found a wonderful church family here and have also enjoyed being involved and serving in the various ministries.

## What other requirements are in place to live at Onyx?

Residents prioritize participating in the Friday night ministry which we host for anyone college-age. This is an important opportunity to practice hospitality to our broader campus community, a great way to meet new friends, and to worship, pray, and learn from the Bible together.

To keep the house functioning well, residents are also required to participate in kitchen shifts and regular house jobs (such as vacuuming, cleaning showers, etc). These are divided up and rotate each term.



## Next Steps

### **All this sounds great! How can I apply?**

You can email [admissions@faithcenter.org](mailto:admissions@faithcenter.org) to get started or fill out the form linked here and we will be in touch!

The admissions process involves completing an application, submitting a personal and pastoral recommendation, completing a criminal background check, and having an interview with the admissions coordinator. Once you have gone through the process and are approved as a resident, your spot is secured by submitting a deposit.