

Elders' cooperatives, an alternative to the geriatric to self-manage future

LOCATION: Málaga

DURATION: 1'40"

SUMMARY: A group of sixteen friends had an aspiration, not aging like everyone else. That's why they organized a cooperative that they used to buy a property where they built their retirement home. It is the Santa Clara Residence, a complex with 76 houses that is located ten minutes from Málaga in which 102 associate live independently. They have meeting points and shared services as the kitchen, cleaning or health assistance.

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We are in the utopia of the third age. A dream come true for sixteen friends since childhood that wanted to grow old in a different way. That's why they founded the Santa Clara residence in Málaga.

AURORA MORENO
Founder of the residence

"When I was a girl I visited what they called asylums, and watching how people were taken to these centres, I wanted to make something different, something that was as an extension of our home."

JUAN ARIZA
Founder of the residence

"With this philosophy of wanting to do something that had been never done before, we did it joining under a cooperative."

A figure that allowed them to buy before aging a property at the outskirts of Málaga and building a residential complex where each one of the one hundred and two associates have their own home.

JUAN ARIZA
Founder of the residence

"We live in the same building but each one in their own home."

AURORA MORENO
Founder of the residence

"You are the one who decide how you have to live your life."

They enjoy independence but also have meeting points to play games, and even a hair salon. They also share necessary services such as cleaning, kitchen or medical assistance they all pay.

AURORA MORENO
Founder of the residence

"This isn't a geriatric home, but we are assisted until we die, as long as it isn't a hospital care need."

The requirements to enter this community are good health, being between 50 and 75 years old and being eager to keep enjoying life with views like this one.

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