Review these Homestay Qualifications **before** submitting your application. Homestay is for new Stanford international graduate students who:

- Have not lived in the U.S. previously
- Are not participating in other local summer or Homestay programs such as the Stanford summer program in intensive English
- Are not planning to stay with friends, country groups or relatives in the local area

This is a cultural/friendship host family program, not a temporary housing program. Your local host family is volunteering to spend time with you.

Homestay is offered free to single students or couples without children for a maximum of 5 days (4 nights) prior to when Stanford University residences are available. On occasion, earlier arrivals (even as early as August) can be accommodated, but the maximum duration of stay remains 5 days.

The Homestay host family program is very popular. We have a limited number of volunteer hosts in the Stanford area. Therefore, we encourage you to apply early.

Homestay is intended to help you get familiar with the basics of life in the U.S and to provide you with local friends. Early applicants will also have the opportunity to make online contact with the host family prior to his/her arrival. A last-minute cancellation not only disappoints your host family but also prevents another student from participating in this program.

Placement with a volunteer host family is based primarily, but not entirely, on the order in which your qualified application is received. For this reason, please do not wait till the final day to apply.

The application deadline is August 15, 2023 or when the maximum number of qualified applications has been received.

If you meet the above qualifications, please submit a [Homestay Application](#).