



Accessory Dwelling Unit Example

Source: <https://estilo-tendances.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/5ce84a6562b070e6fec8b7faaddf1cc7.jpeg>

Accessory Dwelling Units

Discussion and Direction

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Discussion Outline

1. Knowledge and Interest in ADUs
 - **What** is an ADU?
 - **Why** would one want an ADU?
 - **Where** are ADUs allowed in Wisconsin?
2. Information Gathering on ADUs
 1. What are your **thoughts** on allowing ADUs?
 2. What **information** would be helpful to address your concerns?
 3. What sort of **outreach** would you like to see?



Carriage House Example

Source:

https://www.minibuiltsheds.com/sites/default/files/styles/banner_image_small/public/2020-01/Craftsman-Carriage-House-2.jpg?itok=Ya9oCE-u

Local Carriage House Example



Source: Google Street View

Why would one want an ADU?



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1. Separate space for a person to provide **companionship, security, or services** for homeowner;
2. Make housing units that are appropriate for people at a **variety of stages of life;**
3. **Supplementary income**
4. Maintain the **appearance** of the neighborhood while adding housing.

Which Wisconsin cities allow ADUs?

1. Madison (pop. 269,196)
 - Guidance webpage - [Accessory Dwelling Units \(ADU\)](#)
 - Municipal Code - [28.131 – Accessory Buildings and Structures on Lots Used Exclusively for Residential and Mixed-use Purposes.](#)
2. Appleton (pop. 74,854)
 - [Staff Report](#)
 - [Municipal Code - Sec. 23-55. Accessory dwelling units \(attached and detached\).](#)
3. Eau Claire (pop. 69,441)
 - [Guidance webpage \(with link to municipal code\) - Residential Accessory Buildings](#)
4. Stevens Point (pop. 25,692)
 - [Zoning Code \(page 13\)](#)
5. Ripon (pop. 7,792)
 - [ADU definition in Municipal Code](#)



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Source: <https://www.movoto.com/foundation/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2016/04/what-is-a-carriage-house-1.jpg>

Media coverage of ADUs



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Source: <https://www.goodlifemgmt.com/hubfs/adu2.jpg>

AARP Livable Communities, May 2019
[“Creating Room for Accessory Dwelling Units”](#)

The Municipality, April 2020 Issue
[“Accessory Dwelling Units: A Provocative Alternative to Traditional Housing”](#)

Forbes, March 2020
[“Accessory Dwelling Units: An Affordable Solution In Overheated Housing Markets”](#)

Information Gathering on ADUs

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https://assets.architecturaldesigns.com/plan_assets/21550/large/21550dr_modified_14_98835978.jpg?1506337342