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Women's living group planned for next year

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A cooperative living group for MIT women now in the planning stages, says Diane Gilbert, "who hopes the living group will help fill the needs of women now in dormitories who want to get out, or women outside the dorm system who can't get in.

Putting out that MIT women face more choices in living groups than women, Gilbert says she believes that MIT women need more living alternatives.

According to Gilbert, living in an apartment is not a viable alternative, because when a student lives in an apartment with non-MIT people, her ties to the Institute are very slim.

Living in a co-ed dorm does not mean that a woman will have the kind of relationship with men that she expects, Gilbert said, "Good living is nice, but I don't need it.

"However, we do not want to be a Women's Lib group," Gilbert added, "We just want to be a place where women can live without competition from each other and learn what it's like to be a woman." She wants the living group to be "a place where a woman would want to bring both her men and women friends.""