

Welcome to King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) where a unique blend of East and West comes together to inspire a new age of scientific achievement in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the region and around the globe. At KAUST, residents find a safe and tranquil home environment to live, work, study and unwind.

This guidebook orients KAUST residents' day-to-day activities and highlights important information and elements of community infrastructure, guidelines and services.

Housing Resident Relations

Speak to a member of our Resident Relations team, for all housing related information and any further support relating to your new home.

 +966 (012) 808 6220 or 808 6229

 housingresident.relations@kaust.edu.sa

Find us online at <https://www.kaust.edu.sa/html/campus-community>

If calling from a mobile phone, dial **012** and then the number.

This does not apply to 3 digit numbers like **900** or **959**

Unity in Diversity

The KAUST community of over 100 nationalities and cultures, represents a wide range of local and multinational cultures and norms. KAUST seeks to strike a balance between the freedom to express and share culture and identity, and respect for behaviors that may unintentionally cause offense.

All members of the community:

- need to be aware, sensitive and respectful of the cultural and social norms of others, while observing the customs, norms and laws of the Kingdom.
- partners, contractors and visitors are also expected to comply with all University policies and Saudi Arabian law
- are expected to comply with all applicable laws and regulations of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as well as University policies and procedures - these are also covered in the employee and student orientation programs.

An official code of conduct, can be obtained from the Human Resources Department.

For questions regarding campus policy please contact:

Human Resources +966 (0) 59 063 2022  HRHelpdesk@kaust.edu.sa

For questions regarding Saudi Arabian law relating to visas and driver's licenses please contact:

Government Affairs  ga@kaust.edu.sa

For urgent assistance contact the On Call Hotline at  +966 (0) 54 470 1111



Our Community

Our community is one that residents are proud to live and work, respects other cultures and have a sense of ownership. Surrounded by the beauty of the Red Sea, the university campus and the fishing village of Thuwal, it offers exceptional community services, facilities, programs and events for everyone that lives, works and studies here; and an opportunity to enjoy active, healthy, balanced and fulfilled lives.

The Community Engagement Relations team is passionate about helping individuals and families find a sense of place and belonging in the KAUST community. We build and nurture a culture of community by providing access to services and resources that bring value to the lives of residents; and help residents engage in personal interests that connect them to their neighbors and environment.

We make a difference to the lives of people living in the KAUST community, by providing residents with opportunities to be involved and engaged in matters that affect their lives. We actively promote the well-being of residents through healthy home and community environments, community programs and events.

We celebrate all things KAUST and strive to make it an even greater place to live, study, work and visit. **We consult and listen** to residents as we develop and deliver high quality services which contribute to the fabric of successful and sustainable neighborhoods and communities.

We are proud of the role we play in achieving the KAUST vision and mission. **We accept the responsibility** invested in us, partnering with communities in ways that promote involvement, participation, engagement, achievement and enjoyment

Everyone has talents and skills and can make a valuable contribution to their community. We invite all to get engaged and involved to make a positive difference, making new friends along the way.

When you commit your time and effort to your community, you help make it a better place.

- If you have a community-related idea or suggestion, share it with us at GetEngaged@KAUST.edu.sa
- Community Engagement Relations teams develop and deliver community based events and projects. Any resident can lend a hand or join a community task-force.
- If you have a strong passion or interest, our teams can help form a Community Club, or engage and network with others in our community.
- Find us online [here](#) or contact the team at GetEngaged@KAUST.edu.sa.

