



People
together
are stronger

**BE AN ACTIVE
CO-OP MEMBER**

The co-operative movement, by nature, builds character, leadership skills and a sense of dedication to the community.

***FIND INSPIRATION AND BECOME A GREAT CO-OP MEMBER
BY MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR CO-OP COMMUNITY.
IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTRIBUTE!***

Our Participation By-law says that "Each member is obligated to participate in the function of the co-op by:

- i) contributing financially to the operation of the co-op by paying all housing charges on time*
- ii) keeping the interior and exterior of their units reasonably clean and orderly, and reporting maintenance problems promptly*
- iii) attending each annual meeting of members and all other general meetings of members..."*

WHERE CAN YOU HELP THE MOST? JOIN A COMMITTEE! Working on a co-operative committee can be an interesting and a personally rewarding experience. It also provides members with the unique opportunity for direct involvement in the management of their housing. Our Committees are: **1** Board of Directors; **2** Finance; **3** Member Selection; **4** Inspections; **5** Grounds; **6** Member Activities; **7** Newsletter; **8** Arrears. Any of these would benefit from your help.

The function of co-op committees is to advise the Board of Directors and the members on policies which guide the operation of the co-op, to carry out specific duties and to organize co-op activities.

ATTEND GENERAL MEMBERS MEETINGS THREE OR FOUR TIMES PER YEAR AND VOTE!

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| March meetings | • | vote to elect the Board of Directors |
| | • | vote to approve auditor & annual Financial Statements |
| September meetings | • | vote to approve the co-op's budget for the upcoming year which includes operating expenses and housing charge changes |
| June & December meetings | • | vote to approve any changes to co-op policies & by-laws |

STAY INFORMED! READ YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER & ALL OTHER CO-OP NOTICES!

A PRINCIPLE AND CORE MANAGEMENT STANDARD OF CO-OPS IS ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY. HOW CAN YOU HELP US WORK TOWARD ACHIEVING A SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT!

Recycle. Pick up trash anywhere and everywhere. Keep your heat turned low and your air conditioning turned high. Keep your windows closed when the heat & AC is on. Turn lights off behind you. Use compact fluorescent light bulbs. Make oxygen - grow lots of house plants. Do laundry in cool water only when you have a full load. Use biodegradable soaps and cleaners.