



Dear Members,

NACHA has been closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation and have decided to postpone the following events until further notice to protect the health and safety of everyone:

- March 21: Chairing Effective Meeting for Boards and Committees Workshop
- March 21: Tendering and Managing Your Contract (and Contractors) Workshop
- March 28: Co-operative Housing – Policy Tour; and
- April 18: Annual General Meeting

In addition, all further Information Sessions beginning with this Wednesday's (Mar 18) session have been cancelled. We are investigating online methods of providing the service and will let you know as soon as we have something in place. We are requesting that if there are people that are interested in being members that you ask them to notify NACHA via email at [info@nacha.ca](mailto:info@nacha.ca) of their interest in attending the information session and we can see how to accommodate them.

We understand that life doesn't stand still, so we are available to provide you with support, it'll just be a little different for the time being. Housing co-ops should look at using the [free video conferencing services](#) that are available instead of in person Board, Committee and General meetings. Cisco Webex, Google, Logmein, Microsoft, and Zoom are all providing free video-conferencing services in light of the current situations to help people stay in contact with each other while practicing health and safety precautions. We encourage you to take a look using the link provided.

NACHA is instructing our employees and contract staff to work from home where possible and to only come into the office if necessary. During this temporary arrangement, we are committed to fulfilling our responsibilities to you, our members, with support via email at [info@nacha.ca](mailto:info@nacha.ca) and phone.

Face-to-face meeting with NACHA and/or our facilitators will cease temporarily unless there is a mutual agreement between the facilitator and the member. The exercise of social distancing and hygiene practices will also be carried out by our representatives. Whenever possible, consulting and chairing services will be conducted via video conferencing. The NACHA facilitators will be in touch with the members they are currently working with to make arrangements.

If we all take precautions and practice the health and safety measures prescribed by Alberta Health Services, we should be able to navigate these troubled waters successfully. For more information on novel coronavirus (COVID-19), we recommend that you visit the [Alberta Health Services website](#) and share your adopted procedures with your members.

Together we can face this challenge and keep moving forward as a co-op community that is supported and safe.

We will stay in touch with you via email as changes occur.

Yours truly,



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