

# NORTHERN ALBERTA CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING ASSOCIATION

# Welcome

The Northern Alberta Co-operative Housing Association (NACHA) is a federation of Housing Co-operatives in the Edmonton area. We are pleased to provide you with a list of our co-op members who have vacancies or are accepting applications.

#### How To Apply to Co-ops

Please select the co-op of interest from the housing co-op listing at www.nacha.ca and apply to each co-op individually.

#### **Important Notes**

NACHA is not involved in our housing co-op members' application and selection process.

Co-op Application fees range between \$20-30.

Edmonton area co-ops may have very long waiting lists. Wait times can range from 3 months to 5 years for a vacancy.

Not all co-ops have subsidies available.

Before applying, it is a good idea to obtain a copy of your credit report to ensure there are no mistakes or old information that will affect your application.



# **ABBY ROAD**

abbyroadmembership@gmail.com

# Vacancy

Two 2 Bedroom Suites (non-adapted)
Available Immediately



### **ALDERGROVE**

Phone: 780-487-0302

# Vacancy

3 Bedroom Townhouse Please call for details



# **ARTSHUB 118**

artshub118@gmail.com

#### Vacancy

One Bedroom Unit with Den Available: Immediately



#### **ARTSPACE**

Phone: 780-426-3472

#### Vacancy

Two 2 Bedroom Apartments & 3 Bedroom Townhouse Available Immediately



# **ASSINIBOIA**

recruitment.achc@gmail.com

#### Vacancy

Please contact for details Shared Accommodation



#### **BRITTANY LANE**

brittanylanecoop@shaw.ca

#### Vacancy

3 Bedroom Townhouse Available March 1



# **CAMERON AVENUE**

www.cameronaveco-op.com

#### Vacancy

Three 2 Bedroom Apartments Available Immediately



# **COMMONAGE**

Contact: Mail

# Vacancy

4 Units available Please contact co-op for details Box 34008 Kingway Garden Mall Edmonton AB, T5G 3G4



# **DAVIDSON CREEK**

info@davidsoncreek.ca Phone: 780-464-1013

# Vacancy

3 Bedroom Townhouse Available Immediately



# **HERITAGE HILLS**

Phone: (780) 459-9110 hhhcmembership@outlook.com

#### Vacancy

Three 3 Bedroom Townhouse Available Immediately



#### **HOMESTEAD**

Phone: (780) 476-0494

#### Vacancy

Two 2 Bedroom & 4 Bedroom Townhouse Available March 1



# **INN ROADS**

Phone: (780) 246-1701

#### Vacancy

1 Bedroom & Kitchen/Dining area Shared Accomodations Available Immediately



# **KUANNA**

Phone: (780) 246-1701

# Vacancy

2 Bedroom Apartment Available Immediately



# ST. ISIDORE

stisidorehousingcoop@gmail.com

# Vacancy

Please contact for details



# **STRATHCONA**

shcmembershipcom@gmail.com.

#### Vacancy

3 Bedroom (Lower Unit) Available Immediately



### **SUNDANCE**

Phone: (780) 426-0860

#### Vacancy

5 Bedroom Mobility Adapted Unit & 2 Bedroom Apartment (55+) Please call for details



#### **SYNERGEN**

Phone: (587) 334-4426

#### Vacancy

Two 3 Bedroom Townhouse Please call for details

# Living in a Co-op

Co-ops build strong, healthy communities. They create opportunities for people of all ages, incomes and backgrounds to live together in a safe and positive environment.

Co-operative living is a powerful way for individuals and families to have a say in their housing and to enjoy the safety and security of a strong community.

# Low Income vs. Co-operative Housing

Co-operative housing is often confused with low-income housing. While some housing co-operatives members receive a subsidy due to their income, co-operative housing costs stay below market value because each community works together and their combined effort as a collective group helps to reduce the co-op's costs. For example, they might shovel their snow, mow their grass, inspect their own units and property, and work together during the spring and fall clean ups.

Every member in the housing co-operative contributes to the community in some way rather than hiring contractors for everything that needs to be done.

Housing co-operative members work together on the Board of Directors and committees, fostering friendships and building camaraderie (which rarely happens in low-income housing or a typical rental market).

# Co-operative Identity Statement

#### Definition

A co-operative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly-owned and democratically-controlled enterprise.

#### **Values**

Co-operatives are based on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, co-operative members believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

Canadian housing co-operatives hold certain aims in common:

- to meet their members' needs
- to be good citizens in the wider community
- to create and conserve housing for future generations.

# **Co-operative Principles**

- 1. Voluntary and Open Membership
- 2. Democratic Member Control
- 3. Members' Economic Participation
- 4. Autonomy and Independence
- 5. Education, Training and Information
- 6. Co-operation among Co operatives
- 7. Concern for Community

# **How Co-ops Work**

Co-op members are not landlords or tenants. As co-operative owners, members work together to govern their association and manage their homes to foster strong communities.

Members elect a board of directors from among themselves to govern the co-op's operations. Most co-ops also contract with managers to handle the daily operations and maintenance of their homes.

The board is elected by and accountable to the co-op's members. Directors are volunteers who have a legal obligation to act honestly, in good faith, and in the best interests of the co-op.

# The Advantages of Co-op Living

Co-ops offer their members many advantages that are often unavailable in other forms of housing:

As a co-op member, you have security of tenure. That means you can live in your home for as long as you wish if you follow the rules of the co-op and pay your housing charges on time.

As a co-op member, you have a say in the decisions that affect your home. You and your neighbours own your homes together, which means you have a say in how they are managed. Co-op housing is not public housing. Co-ops are self-governed, mixed-income communities, home to people of all ages and backgrounds. This diversity is one of the co-op movement's greatest strengths.

Co-ops are communities in the truest sense of the word. While it's common to hear people in other forms of housing say they don't know or never speak to their neighbours, co-op members live and work together to create homes in active communities.