



2013 Annual General Meeting

SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2013 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM



WHERE

Venu 1008
1008 14th Street SE
Calgary, AB, T2G 3K3

Venu 1008 is a hospitality catering service and banquet facility conveniently located in the community of Inglewood, just minutes from downtown. Parking is available right across the street.



SACHA BUSINESS MEETING

8:30 AM TO 9:00 AM
Registration and refreshments

9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
Plenary Session

LUNCH

12:15 PM TO 1:30 PM
A buffet-style lunch will be provided



WOULD I MAKE A GOOD DIRECTOR?

Are you a member in good standing in your co-op? Can you carry out the responsibilities of the Board as set out in the Job Description and By-Laws? Can you maintain confidentiality while supporting the co-op philosophy and do you want to have a positive, hands-on influence on co-op housing in Southern Alberta?

You are eligible to join the SACHA board unless: you are not bondable, you are a regular employee of SACHA, you are currently bankrupt, or if you have served 2 regular consecutive terms of 2 years each without at least a one year break.

SACHA's Board of Directors is looking for candidates for 4 board positions. Please contact SACHA's office if you are interested in being on our Board of Directors.



WORKSHOPS **1:30 - 4:00 PM**

R-E-S-P-E-C-T ... Find out what this fundamental value means to a housing co-operative.

Is your co-op looking for innovative ways to build relationships with your membership? Recognizing and understanding the attitudes, perceptions and myths of your community can go a long way to promoting open communication and co-operative living. Please join us for an interactive discussion of:

- Promoting healthy interactions
- Tackling members' attitudes, perceptions and myths
- Building trust in your community
- Roles for young people
- Effective leadership
- A sense of belonging
- Commitment to a shared future
- Community resilience
- Tackling underlying causes of poor community cohesion

WORKSHOP LEADER: BRENDA DAVIES

Brenda Davies is the Executive Director of SACHA. She has been working in the co-operative housing sector for many years and has a strong background in community development and working with not-for-profit organizations. Brenda has worked extensively in the area of affordable housing, property management and micro lending as well as personal finance. She is an advocate for affordable housing initiatives and has been living in a housing co-operative for over 20 years.

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THINKING ABOUT MONEY MATTERS! Now and in the future:

Subsidy for members after the operating agreements end and getting Arrears under control.

The end of federal program operating agreements is coming for many housing co-ops and housing providers. More than 430 housing co-ops in Canada will see their relationship with government fundamentally change between now and 2020—280 of them within the next five years. There are a number of ways your co-ops will be affected. Unless governments change their minds, you will no longer receive the rent geared to income subsidy. We will briefly look at what that means. What tools you may need, how to get the conversation started in your co-op and where to go for help. Arrears and bad debts have at least tripled in Southern Alberta in the last few years. 26% of co-ops in Alberta have directors in arrears and only 16% of co-ops have no arrears. Oh dear. If someone said you could easily put a stop to member arrears, even late payments you might say “No way!” Learn some tips and pick some tools that successful housing co-ops use. Arrears and bad debts do affect the co-op's bottom line. Just think what the money you save will do in your co-op!

WORKSHOP LEADER: DEBBIE SAIDMAN

Debbie Saidman has been a Relationship Manager with The Agency for Co-operative Housing since 2006. She lived in housing co-ops for 22 years and was an active volunteer in the co-op housing sector with both NACHA and CHF Canada for a number of years. Prior to The Agency Debbie worked in the Non-profit Sector.



**SACHA 24th Annual General Meeting
Registration Form**
Saturday April 20, 2013

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

CO-OP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

AMOUNT PAID: (see fees below) _____ +5% GST _____ = _____

ATTENDEE (circle one)	YES	NO
I will stay for lunch	YES	NO
I will be attending the workshop	YES	NO

The designated voting delegate for my co-op is: _____

WORKSHOPS Will you be attending the workshop? Please circle your answer.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T YES NO

THINKING ABOUT MONEY MATTERS YES NO

REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE (co-ops must have one person registered for AGM)

MEMBERS

- \$65 for the first person
- \$35 for additional registrants
- \$32.50 for registrants under 30
- \$55 for workshop only (no lunch)

NON-MEMBERS

- \$85 for the first person
- \$80 for additional registrants
- \$42.50 for registrants under 30
- \$75 for workshop only (no lunch)

SUBTOTAL: _____ **+ 5% GST:** _____ **TOTAL CONFERENCE FEE:** _____

Please complete one form for each person attending. You can download a PDF version of this registration form on our website on the *UPCOMING EVENTS* page.