

CCOC NewsNotes

February 2020



Safety at your home

CCOC is committed to safe housing for a diversity of people.

As a landlord and employer, CCOC has no tolerance for discriminatory behaviour regardless of race, ethnicity, language, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, income, or ability. These values are a part of CCOC's mission and values statement and we take them seriously.

All CCOC properties should be safe, inclusive spaces for tenants to call home. Any racist or discriminatory language or actions are not acceptable.

If you are experiencing or witnessing discrimination at your building, from a neighbour or a guest, please **contact your Rental Officer**.

If you see a neighbour facing discrimination at your building, you can be an ally. Ask them if they need support or intervene if you feel safe to.

It takes everyone's help to make our communities a safe home for everyone.

Office Closed - Family Day

Le bureau de CCOC sera fermé le lundi, 17 février pour la Fête de la famille. Le bureau sera ouvert à 9h00 le mardi, 18 février.

The CCOC office will be closed on Monday, February 17 for Family Day.

We will re-open at 9:00 am on Tuesday, February 18.

Inside...

- Nominate and help your neighbours
- We're hiring:
Building Cleaner
- Is your home too hot or cold?
- **Contact CCOC at**
613-234-4065 ext. 0
or email:
info@cchohousing.org

"NewsNotes" is written & published by CCOC's Communications Officer. Your comments, submissions and suggestions are welcome.

The deadline for submission is the 15th of the month.

Call Adella Khan at ext. 239
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Please recycle this newsletter!





Help a neighbour in need

Cold temperatures, snow and slush make it difficult for seniors, parents with young children in strollers and people with mobility issues to get around. Running an errand or shoveling a walkway may be impossible and some people find themselves housebound.

If you notice a neighbour who may be in this position, why not give them a little of your time and offer to help shovel or run errands?

Helping a neighbour is a great way to get to know them!

Nominate a great neighbour

Do you have a neighbour who goes out of their way to help you with difficult chores, or takes time to make your building a friendlier place to live? Let us know!

CCOC created the Doug DesBrisay Good Neighbour Award to recognize good neighbours who just seem to have a special way of noticing who needs help or what needs doing to make their home better for everyone. We give out the Good Neighbour Award at our Annual General Meeting each year.

Contact Hannah before **March 31** to let us know about your good neighbour.

Call **613-234-4065, ext. 240** or email hannah.vlaar@ccochousing.org for more details.

Learn about healthy eating at the Centretown Community Health Centre

The community health centres have free programming available for residents in their area. In Centretown, the community health centre is offering two programs in February around healthy eating: "Eating Well on a Vegetarian Diet", and "Craving Change", a group session on changing how we think about food.

You can learn more about these programs, and the other services available, online at centretownchc.org/programs-services or, by calling **613-233-4443 ext. 2108**.



Reminder: Recycle your glass and aluminum

Did you know that glass and aluminum can be recycled over and over without losing quality?

You can take beer cans and bottles to the Beer Store to receive a small refund when you recycle your alcohol can and bottles there.

Or, add your aluminum cans and glass bottles to the glass, metal, and plastics recycling bin in the garbage room.

Thanks for doing your part to keep our planet healthy and happy!

We're hiring: Building Cleaner

CCOC is looking for a motivated and detail-oriented Building Cleaner to keep our buildings in the best possible shape for our tenants.

Are you the right fit for the team? Our ideal candidate has some cleaning experience and a G class license. Preference will be given to candidates with skills in additional languages, and candidates with personal or professional experience with marginalized communities.

Does this sound like you? Apply today! CCOC is a progressive employer that values diversity, collaboration, inclusive and open decision-making, innovation, creativity, and sustainability in all that we do.

Compensation: Starting between \$34,653 - \$38,504, with a maximum compensation of \$42,534 plus benefits, including OMERS pension.

Application deadline: 5:00 pm on Thursday, February 6, 2020.

Interviews will be held on Wednesday, February 12 and Thursday, February 13.

Forward resume and cover letter by email to hring@ccochoosing.org. Your cover letter should specifically address how you meet the education, experience, competencies and skills listed in the job description.

Summary: Cleaners are responsible for the day-to-day cleaning of interior and exterior common areas of multi-residential buildings. They are expected to report any outstanding maintenance to issues to the office. Cleaners perform their duties according to a general building schedule, which includes daily, weekly, monthly, and seasonal tasks. A list of core responsibilities and duties can be found online at ccochoosing.org/careers.

Apply now: CCOC Summer Camp Bursary

How it works:

- You must be a CCOC tenant, and your child (or children) must be 8 to 15 years old.
- If your child is selected, you are responsible for finding a camp that suits you and your child. We will pay up to \$800 toward the camp fees and transportation.
- Priority is given to families paying less than market rent and to children who have not already been sent to camp under this program.



For more information email camp.fund@ccochoosing.org or call 613-234-4065, ext. 0.

Is your home too hot or too cold?

Here are suggested thermostat settings for various activities that keep you comfortable while saving energy:

- ➔ Sitting, reading or watching TV: 21°C
- ➔ Sleeping: 16°C
- ➔ Working around the house: 19°C
- ➔ No one home: 16°C

If you are too hot and you don't have a thermostat to control the heat, contact CCOC at **613-234-4065 ext. 0** or info@ccochoosing.org. Opening windows to cool things down can lead to frozen water pipes that burst. It can also affect the temperature in your neighbours' homes. They might be too cold and ask us to turn up the heat!

If you are too cold and your thermostat is at the right setting, make sure your heat registers are not blocked by furniture, carpets, or curtains. Clean the registers with a vacuum or broom. Let the sun in to help heat your home by opening blinds or curtains during the day. Close them at night to keep heat inside.

CCOC Committee Meeting Schedule



STANDING COMMITTEES	FEBRUARY	MARCH	TIME
Tenant & Community Engagement	February 20	March 16	7:00 pm
Development Committee	February 11	March 10	7:00 pm
Facilities Management Committee	February 20	March 19	7:00 pm
Rental Committee	February 18	March 17	7:00 pm
Finance Committee	February 20	March 19	7:00 pm
Board	February 26	March 25	7:00 pm

Some CCOC board and committee meetings will take place at 464 Metcalfe Street until office renovations are complete. Call CCOC at 613-234-4065, ext. 0 to confirm. Note: CCOC will pay taxi fare and family care for committee members attending meetings.