Co-operative Housing Federation of Toronto Inc.

Learn About Renewable Energy Opportunities for Your Co-op at a March 11 meeting

Seventy million dollars in funding has been set aside over the next year for "renewable energy" projects in social housing under Ontario's **Renewable Energy Initiative** (REI).

This is part of the Social Housing Renovation and Retrofit Program (SHRRP). SHRA co-ops are eligible for this funding – federal co-ops are not. The detailed guidelines for the Renewable Energy Initiative will be announced shortly.

Learn more about this technology and the funding available at an information meeting organized by CHFT on **Thursday, March 11, 2010 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at Peggy and Andy Brewin Housing Co-op, 77 Charles Street East, in the meeting room.

As well, co-ops can generate revenue through the new **Feed-In-Tariff program** (FIT) operated by the Ontario Power Authority. You earn money by installing a solar photovoltaic system on your roof and selling the electricity back into the grid at a premium price. This opportunity is open to both SHRA and federal co-ops.

A new company, Innoserve Solar, has been set up to help you take advantage of these opportunities. Innoserve Solar will provide specialized solar services to co-ops and other non-profit housing providers. It is owned by members of the Ontario non-profit housing sector and its purpose is to earn money to support co-op and non-profit housing.

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With Innoserve Solar, you can get:

- an assessment of your co-op as a potential site
- a system proposal tailored to your co-op
- help with planning and installing the solar photovoltaic system
- help with the ongoing maintenance and monitoring of the system.

SHRA co-ops can get funding to pay for all or part of the cost of the photovoltaic system through the REI. Or SHRA co-ops and federal co-ops that can't cover the capital cost of buying the system could have it installed as part of a roof lease arrangement and earn a smaller amount of revenue.

Please contact Angela Calderone at 416 465-8688 extension 206, or angela@coophousing.com, to register.

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Main Gerrard Housing Co-operative

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For more information about our co-op or to get a copy of our application please contact

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Homestarts

COMMUNITY COORDINATOR BRAMPTON HOUSING CO-OP

Homestarts Incorporated is a non-profit, community based organization. Founded in 1978, we offer management, maintenance, consulting and development services to housing co-operatives and non-profit housing groups. Currently, we provide services to more than 40 co-op and non-profit clients located in cities throughout southern, central and south western Ontario.

We are currently looking to fill the full-time position of Community Coordinator for a Co-operative Housing property located in Brampton. Applicants must have experience in and knowledge of co-op housing management including:

- Community development, governance and organization
- Follow up of member arrears
- Administration
- Marketing of vacant units
- Rent-geared-to-income subsidy

The successful applicant will have excellent interpersonal as well as verbal and written communication skills, along with the ability to work independently by continuously re-evaluating priorities and handling stress in a very busy work environment. You must be proficient with computer software programs, including Word, Excel and Power Point, while experience in NewViews and HMWorx software would be an asset.

Please contact Nicky Maloney, Manager Human Resources & Administration by email at: nmaloney@homestarts.org

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PART-TIME ASSISTANT COORDINATOR-SCARBOROUGH

Homestarts Incorporated is a non-profit, community based organization. Founded in 1978, we offer management, maintenance and consulting to housing co-operatives and non-profit housing groups. Currently, we provide services to 42 co-op and non-profit clients located in cities throughout southern, central and south western Ontario.

We are currently looking to fill the permanent part-time position of Assistant Coordinator of a large Housing Co-op located in Scarborough. This position is for 22.5 hours to be worked over three weekdays including one evening per week

The successful applicant will have excellent interpersonal as well as verbal and written communication skills, along with the ability to work independently by continuously re-evaluating priorities and handling stress in a very busy work environment. You must be proficient with computer software programs, including Word and Excel while experience in NewViews and HMWorx software would be an asset. A post-secondary degree or equivalent education and work experience is essential to the position, along with a facility for numbers and a high degree of accuracy in all areas of work. Work experience in an administrative capacity is mandatory, and preference will be given to those with experience in the co-operative housing sector.

The duties will include writing cheques, depositing housing charges, following up with member arrears, marketing vacant units and various other administrative tasks.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to Nicky Maloney, Manager Human Resources & Administration by email at: nmaloney@homestarts.org

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Greetings all. Toronto Tower Power Toronto's much anticipated next meeting takes place one week tomorrow on Wednesday, March 10th at 7:30pm in the Waterside Room at Windward Co-operative at 34 Little Norway Crescent (SW of Bathurst and Queen's Quay).

At the March 10th meeting, we'll hear presentations about the ambitious greening initiatives undertaken by condos and co-ops here in Toronto.

For example, Beata Domanska of the Hugh Garner Co-op will show us pictures of the Co-op's green roof, efficient lighting, low-flow aerators on all faucets/showers, dual-flush toilets, high-efficiency boiler, solar thermal, insulating under the radiators, digital thermostats and mechanical improvements. She'll also give us an idea of the costs and paybacks of each of these initiatives, and what projects lie ahead.

Chris Madill from the Riviera Condos on Queens Quay West, will describe their new building automation system, which monitors the temperature and pressure of air and water in their buildings and then throttles output to meet that demand. He'll also describe various other greening initiatives he and his green committee have undertaken.

These are but the two first two presenters. Be prepared to be impressed by the many possibilities they put before us! As such, it will be an important meeting that members of your condo and co-op boards can't afford to miss.

As always, please share this invitation with all that might be interested. (If they are interested but cannot attend, encourage them to send me their name and email address, so that I can be sure to invite them to forthcoming meetings.)

Looking forward to a stimulating meeting on Wednesday, March 10th.

Cheers,

Tim Grant and David Booz, Co-chairs, Toronto Power Toronto

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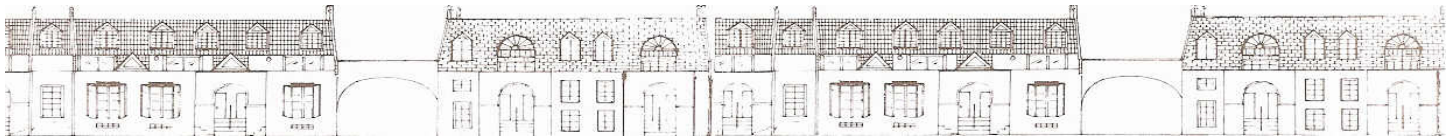

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