260+ MEMBERS

★ Licensed Home Builders
★ Renovators
★ Suppliers

WE OFFER:

✓ The Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence
✓ Okanagan Construction Industry Conference
✓ Networking Events
✓ Education Seminars
✓ And Many More!

CHBA Central Okanagan, a not-for-profit and voluntary membership association, is proudly affiliated with the Canadian Home Builders’ Association of B.C. and national Canadian Home Builders’ Association.

BUILDING THE CENTRAL OKANAGAN

19,716 RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION JOBS

1.18 BILLION IN WAGES

63 DIFFERENT TRADES WORK ON NEW HOMES
(CARPENTER, PAINTER, FRAMER, ELECTRICIAN, ROOFER, LANDSCAPER)

2.52 BILLION IN INVESTMENT VALUE

*Statistics Canada data

LET’S WORK TOGETHER

CHBA Central Okanagan is a partner in the region, with a focus on consumer protection and affordability. As our community grows and changes, so will the bylaws or policies. For any new changes, CHBA Central Okanagan suggests the following Best Practices:

1. Industry consultation with CHBA Central Okanagan members on any issues, including bylaw reviews, new community plans or fee changes.
2. A cost–benefit analysis for any new changes, to protect affordability.
3. Strong communication plans to industry to provide clear and ample notice, which includes working with CHBA Central Okanagan to get information out to members.
4. A minimum six months phase-in period to build capacity and complete projects already underway.

*Statistics Canada 2017 data for Kelowna, West Kelowna, Vernon and Salmon Arm.

*Source: BC Residential Building Statistics and Trends Report (BC Housing)
NEW HOMES TODAY

Built by small businesses
In 2017, B.C. builders reported completing 4.7 homes per year on average.
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More energy-efficient than ever
A new home today uses half the energy than a home built pre-1985.

Increased professionalism with mandatory education
Licensed home builders are required to take annual continuing education.

Achieving the missing middle
Home buyers prefer ground-oriented and low-rise homes, such as townhouses.

HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
- IT MATTERS

4 IN 5 RENTERS want to own A HOME.
75% of Canadians view homeownership as a key to FINANCIAL SECURITY.

50% of British Columbians THINK HOUSING MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE IN THE PROVINCE.
*Source: Insights West Poll, January 2018

Approximately 95% of residents live in MARKET-PROVIDED HOMES, that are owned or rented.

POLICY IMPACTS AFFORDABILITY

What adds to the cost of new homes in the Central Okanagan?

- Building Code Changes
- Local Government Fees
- Trades Shortages
- Product Costs and Availability (i.e. Trade disputes)
- Land Prices
- Bylaw and Zoning Changes
- Lengthy Process and Timelines
- Municipal Requirements (Reports and Reviews)

We must address housing affordability right from homelessness to market ownership. Not addressing homeownership severely impacts other elements of the housing system, such as pressures on the rental market.

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