



CEA and Local Governments

Local governments influence 45% of British Columbia's greenhouse gas emissions. They make decisions daily that impact communities, their energy costs and their emissions for decades if not centuries. Communities need support now to implement the fundamental changes required to reduce emissions and to adapt to changes.

The Community Energy Association (CEA), a registered charitable association, is the only BC organization focused exclusively on supporting local governments on climate and energy activities. CEA is vital to increasing capacity for action and positive results at the local level.

CEA Delivers Results

CEA has a proven track record and capacity to create measurable change. Thanks to collaboration with, and financial support of CEA's members and partners, our capacity to engage local governments and deliver results has grown remarkably since 2005.

We educate, encourage and recognize

CEA supports or delivers the following Provincial programs

- Community Action on Energy and Emissions
- Green Buildings BC for Local Governments
- Community Energy and Emissions Inventory, and
- Energy Aware Awards that annually recognize local government leaders.

Our recent track record – transferring knowledge and encouraging efforts

Direct engagement with local governments

- Service delivery to local governments (25 in 2006)
- Response to local government inquiries (28 in 2006)

Presentations to local government organizations

- CEA Neighbourhood-Scale Renewable Energy Workshop
- Presentations to local government conferences including FCM, UBCM, Regional Area Associations (13 in 2006)
- More than 900 local government leaders presented to in-person annually

Development of publications for local government leaders including:

- Local government funding guide
- Renewable energy guide – *Heating Our Communities*
- *Energy Brief for Elected Officials*
- Community Energy Planning toolkit
- Local government energy planning survey

Collaboration with others

- Discussions with over 30 organizations mostly in BC, also across Canada and North America
- Initiated meetings of key NGO's for coordination of activity with local government and energy.

Connecting communities,
energy and sustainability



Join the Community Energy Association: Be part of the change

How Your Organization Can Help

Become a CEA member or partner and be part of the change CEA is enabling; be recognized as one of a select group of leaders in BC. We depend on membership revenues to provide much needed stability and continuity that project-specific funds simply do not provide. Every dollar CEA takes in goes to supporting local governments in BC and accelerating their action on climate change and energy conservation. The future of CEA is in your hands.

Current Members

CEA has its origins in a Memorandum of Understanding inked in the mid-1990's between the Province of BC and the Union of BC Municipalities, both of whom remain active current members. Infrastructure Canada plays a special role in CEA, having provided a 3-year contribution (ending August 2008) which has allowed us to respond to vital needs at this critical time.

Membership Options

You can choose the level most appropriate for the size and profile of your organization, and its position on the importance of engaging with local governments on climate and energy.

Membership levels, costs and associated benefits are described here. We would be happy to discuss specific options further with you.

To become a member, please contact us at info@communityenergy.bc.ca or call (604) 628-7076.

2008 Membership Levels

Climate Change Champion \$10,000-\$15,000

You receive....

- Right to appoint a CEA board member
- Right to bring initiatives forward for consideration
- Special access and discounts to CEA sponsored events
- Access to information / engagement in critical discussions
- Invitation to CEA member events (4 per year) and networking opportunities
- Significant brand recognition and promotion
- All benefits of other options below.

Energetic Supporter \$5,000 - \$9,999

You receive....

- Special access and discounts to CEA sponsored events
- Opportunity to have a representative run for a board position, subject to approval by the nominations committee.
- Access to information / engagement in critical discussions
- Invitation to CEA member events (4 per year) and networking opportunities
- Brand recognition to be determined, including at minimum:
 - Listing as a member in CEA directory
 - Logo on front page of CEA's 'first stop' website
- All benefits of Associate Members below.

Associate Member \$2,500 - \$4,999

You receive....

- Discount on CEA events
- Listing as a member
- Inclusion in distribution of briefings
- Opportunity for networking

Join the members and partners below in helping local governments in BC address climate and energy



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