

Benefits of Joining

Take advantage of the following benefits and services available. Contact the Fraser Valley office for more information on any of the items listed below:

1. Credibility

- Display the CHBA Fraser Valley logo and be recognized by the consumer as a professional, experienced, and reliable builder or trades person.
- CHBA members agree to a voluntary Code of Ethics which is promoted to the public.
- Take advantage of the opportunity to chair a committee or run for a Board Director position of the organization at the local, provincial, or national level. The experience and connections made are invaluable and are reflected in the success of your business.

2. Advocacy

- As the voice of the residential construction industry in the Fraser Valley, CHBA FV members are often consulted by municipalities and media on residential building topics and issues. Our members are a well-respected source for industry information, knowledge and expertise and are regularly invited to provide input on issues affecting the industry.
- CHBA develops working relationships with National, Provincial and Municipal levels of government. Your membership increases that effectiveness, strengthens the chapter, and allows our voice to be heard.

3. Education and Training

- Gain access to seminars hosted by CHBA for home builders and related industry suppliers which keep you up to date on new technology requirements, and trends.
- Member rates for our CPD accredited BuildIN education conference, where we bring together builders, developers, suppliers, and trades from the area to learn industry specific information. Speakers at this event provide tremendous current information and insights with value to our members and the business community at large.
- Through your CHBA Fraser Valley membership you gain access to valuable CPD courses at a **discounted rate**, locally hosted.
- Take advantage of standard contract documents available in the member area of the CHBA BC website for a nominal cost ex. Construction Agreement, Renovation Agreement, Change of Work Orders and many more.

4. Networking Events

- Expand your network by participating in CHBA Fraser Valley coordinated events such as:
 - CHBA FV annual golf tournament
 - BuildIn – education seminar
 - Building Connections – Member Socials
 - Annual Sturgeon Derby – Incredible day on the Fraser River, guided sturgeon fishing, games, prizes and more.

- Chilliwack and Abbotsford Home Shows - Participate in a highly promoted regional trade show as a booth volunteer. This is a great way to show your support for the professional association you belong to and connect with consumers and other industry professionals.
- AGM/Dinner events

5. Marketing and Promotions

- **Annual Membership Directory** - Your company and contact information are listed under your category as well as alphabetically. Opportunity to purchase ad space in the directory as a member for a nominal rate to give your company more exposure. Over two thousand directories are distributed annually in key locations throughout the Fraser Valley and at the Abbotsford and Chilliwack home shows.
- **Website** - Our comprehensive on-line directory, allows you to update your information in real time and will be a constant resource for consumers who are looking for reliable builders, renovators, and trades people.

6. Housing Awards of Excellence

- CHBA Fraser Valley members are eligible to participate in our annual CHBA Fraser Valley Housing Awards of Excellence. CHBA members are eligible to also enter the provincial Georgie Awards as well as the National Housing Awards Excellence Programs.
- Participating in, being nominated, or winning a home builder award lends great credibility and profile to your business and is a great marketing tool.

7. Member Referrals

- Often the Fraser Valley Home Builders Office is phoned by a consumer asking for a home builder or member trades person. We are quick to provide contact information for our members as a referral.

8. Canadian Home Builders Association of BC and Canadian Home Builders Association

- Your membership includes membership in CHBA-BC, the provincial organization that advocates for industry regarding appropriate education, training and the elimination of the underground contractors who jeopardize the whole industry. It also includes membership in CHBA, the national body that lobbies the federal government on issues relevant to the homebuilding industry like indexing GST rebate thresholds, reforming federal tax laws to encourage rental housing investment, and revising immigration rules. These groups are well respected and influential with elected officials in advocating on behalf of the Home Builder Industry sector.

Members Only! – Special discounts for members only - CHBA member firms, and their staff, are eligible for discounts and special offers on a range of products and services through the [CHBA National Advantages](#) program. Offers from more companies are continually rolled out, and members are emailed details on the new savings. You must be signed into the website to access these CHBA member perks!