Council Elections

In September, The Housing Registry Council will call upon members to nominate candidates to serve on the council. Candidates from the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island are being sought to represent stakeholders for a three year term starting January 2018.

Council encourages you to consider nominating other eligible member organizations or nominating your organization.

Watch for the election package to arrive in mid September 2017.

Housing Connections Update

You may have noticed some recent changes when entering a vacate date for a tenant.

Previously when vacating a tenant, to offer a unit to a new applicant, you were presented with a list of 22 vacate reasons. These 22 reasons were a combination of why the unit was being vacated and where the tenant was going. Due to the length of the list about 40 percent of the time, the reason selected was ‘other’. Accurate data is important as it is used to measure tenant demographics and impacts of various housing programs and assists to identify opportunities to improve or strengthen programs and services.

On June 28, a ‘Where to’ field was added go the vacation screen reducing the vacate reasons from 22 to 12. The new ‘Where to field’ is dynamic and changes based on the vacate reason selected. If Other is selected as a vacate reason, users will need to complete a 25 character free text box as to the reason why the tenant is vacating the unit.

This change will make it easier to select the appropriate reason for a tenant/unit being vacated and provide better data for the future. If you have any questions about the change, please contact the Housing Connections helpdesk at hconnections@bchousing.org

The Housing Registry – Online Application

When contacted by applicants who wish to apply to The Housing Registry, let them know that they can complete an application online.

If you have a website that directs applicants to The Housing Registry, please consider providing a direct link to The Housing Registry Online Application.