

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

1. Emergency Calls Only 911
2. Fire Department 905-684-4311
3. Police Department 905-688-4111
4. Hospital 905-684-7271
St. Catharines General 142 Queenston
Hotel Dieu Hospital 905-682-6411
5. Poison Information Centre 1-800-268-9017
6. Bell Canada 310-2355
7. Enbridge Consumers Gas 905-688-9133
8. Hydro 905-684-8111
9. Meadowgreen Co-op 905-688-3977
10. Niagara Peninsula Homes 905-788-0166
Nabila Gebril, Property Manager ext. 251
11. Emterra Environmental 905-227-7771

Call before Wednesday for Friday pick-up. Large items should be placed on the Curb before 9:00am

WELCOME TO MEADOWGREEN CO-OPERATIVE HOMES INC.

This booklet was designed to assist new Members of our Community with some basic information regarding our Co-operative Housing Community.

CO-OPERATIVE PRINCIPLES

The Co-operative Principles are guidelines by which co-operatives put their values into practice.

1. VOLUNTARY AND OPEN MEMBERSHIP

Co-operatives are *voluntary organizations*, open to all persons able to use their services and willing to accept the responsibilities of membership, *without gender, social, racial, political or religious discrimination*.

2. DEMOCRATIC MEMBER CONTROL

Co-operatives are *democratic organizations* controlled by their Members, who *actively participate in setting their policies and making decisions*. Men and Women serving as elected representatives are accountable to the Membership. In primary co-operatives Members have *equal voting rights (one Member, one vote)* and co-operatives at other levels are organized in a democratic manner.

3. MEMBER ECONOMIC PARTICIPATION

Members contribute equally to, and democratically control, the capital of their co-operative. At least part of that capital is usually the common property of the co-operative. They usually receive limited compensation, if any, on capital subscribed as a condition of membership. Members allocate surpluses for any or all of the following purposes; developing the co-operative, possibly by setting up reserves, part of which at least would be indivisible; benefiting members in proportion to their transactions with the co-operative; and supporting other activities by the Membership.