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**MEMO: ITS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME !**

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**Dear**

**CHANE** members are also members of NAHC – the National Association of Housing Cooperatives. If you are interested in keeping up with NAHC programs and activities, including its Annual Conference which will be held in San Juan in November this year, it's time to pay your CHANE dues for this fiscal year. Our Application and Renewal form is attached. ..

NAHC's nationwide activities, concerns and programs are included in its quarterly newsletter, the CHB - the Cooperative Housing Bulletin. The "Spring 2011" edition can now be downloaded from the NAHC website, [www.NAHC.coop](http://www.NAHC.coop), and [www.CoopHousingNewEngland.org](http://www.CoopHousingNewEngland.org). The NAHC website is a goldmine of information for and about housing co-ops, Its "public" sector includes a downloadable library of information. Its "members only" sector provides more information on the NAHC organization and its member services.

CHANE, as NAHC's New England affiliate, focuses on providing services to housing co-ops in New England.. CHANE officers are available to attend Board and Membership meetings of member Cooperatives.

An example: because four Cooperatives receiving HUD assistance under Section 236, which reduces the interest on their mortgages to one percent, are nearing the end of their 40 year initial mortgage loan terms, CHANE officers arranged for a workshop in New Haven last April to consider their options when their present mortgages are paid off. Doug Kleine, the now "retired" NAHC Executive Director, led the workshop. More workshops on this and related subjects are planned. Another NAHC and CHANE initiative is to improve availability of affordable share loans.

.Several CHANE member co-ops have taken advantage of NAHC's educational and training programs. One, the "3-R" workshop, is presented in the community room of a sponsoring co-op.

CHANE / NAHC membership also entitles members to get "member rates" when attending events held by other NAHC Associations. An annual event providing workshops of all kinds is the HOUSING CONFERENCE held by the Council of New York Cooperatives & Condominiums each November..

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We hope you will join or rejoin CHANE and NAHC. Note our dues have not increased, although NAHC increased its dues again this year. Also please note that we and NAHC now depend on email for most communications. So including many email addresses on Applications is a good idea! NAHC Notices and *Cooperative Housing Bulletins* are distributed electronically to all cooperatives, their officers and committee members for whom we receive email addresses !

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Roger Willcox, secretary/consultant

Enclosures: Application,

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**CHANE CO-OP APPLICATION and ANNUAL RENEWAL FORM**

Annual CHANE and NAHC Dues: \$3.25 per unit with a minimum of \$80.. Dues for larger co-ops reduced to \$2.25 per unit for all units over the first 150 with a maximum annual dues payment of \$1,500. The fiscal year for CHANE starts July 1. NAHC is now on a Calendar Year. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT !

**Co-op Corporate Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of dwelling units:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Annual Dues:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Primary CHANE Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

The Contact Person receives all NAHC and CHANE correspondence, emails and publications. Unless and until a member cooperative makes other arrangements, this person will be considered as the Cooperative's Board member on the CHANE Board. All Board Meetings are by "telecon".

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email (most CHANE correspondence is by Email):**-----

**Co-op Website: (Information on your Co-op can be posted on the CHANE website without charge).**  
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**Names, Mail and Email Addresses of at least four (4) more persons to receive all NAHC and CHANE mailings including The Cooperative Housing Bulletin and the Cooperative Housing Journal. We encourage members to attach a longer list of email addresses to receive mailings.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (very important!) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Authorized Signature for Cooperative**  
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Is your Cooperative: Market Rate: ( ) Limited Equity ( ) Other - please explain:( )

Does your Cooperative have a 'blanket' first mortgage? Yes ( ) No ( )

If "yes", is it provided by or assisted by HUD ( ) a State Agency ( ) ?

Do any of your members receive assistance under the HUD Section 8 program? Yes ( ) No ( )