

# **BEECHWOOD CO-OPERATIVE HOMES INC.**

## **ADDITION TO BY-LAW NO. 5**

### **INTERNAL SUBSIDY**

#### **Introduction**

The co-op maintains and administers a reserve fund for housing charge assistance for those members not eligible under the terms of the Operating Agreement.

#### **Funding**

Money normally accrues to the fund from interest earned on the co-ops operating account and from fundraising activities specifically designated for the purpose.

#### **Eligibility**

*Article 2 of by-law 5 contains criteria which would be included if we wrote a separate by-law.*

In addition to Article 2, the following eligibility criteria apply.

- the member is not eligible for assistance under the regular plan
- the member has experienced a significant decrease in income that causes the member to be unable to meet their financial obligations
- the member must be a member in good standing *Note: we discussed what the interpretation of this clause would be. The concern was that a member might be in arrears (not able to meet financial obligations, see clause above) but not qualify for assistance because of this clause. The thought was that if the member was in good standing immediately prior to the situation that resulted in the loss of income.*
- the member must apply, using the application currently in force.