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CARE AWARDS

We are planning the 2020 CARE Awards starting with sponsorship partners! Thank you to **FortisBC, Hourigan's Flooring, McLaren Properties, Victoria Real Estate Board, BC Housing, Slegg Building Materials, Travelers Insurance Company of Canada, and Built Green Canada** for confirming their early commitment to Gold Sponsorship. Also thank you to **Trail Appliances** for returning as a Silver Sponsor! *Support our sponsors supporting the CARE Awards!*

We will announce more sponsors in the coming weeks. Through their support, the CARE Awards is the premier industry awards showcasing Canada's leaders in sustainable West Coast design and construction.

2019 Gold Sponsors



Silver



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VRBA GENERAL MEETING LUNCH – WED APRIL 8

Join us for lunch and an industry presentation TBA

Date: Wednesday, April 8
Gorge Vale Golf Club, 1005 Craigflower Rd
11:45 am – reception
12:00 noon - lunch
12:15 pm - presentation

VRBA Members: \$35 plus GST, includes lunch
Future Members: \$60 plus GST
Book your tickets early- admin@vrba.ca

This meeting will be submitted to BC Housing, Licensing and Consumer Services for one hour of CPD.

NEW MEMBER APPLICANT

New Membership Applicant:

Red Dove Developments – Rick Gilley

VANCOUVER ISLAND CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE – THURSDAY APRIL 16

VRBA is a **Gold Sponsor** of VICA's Annual Vancouver Island Construction Conference April 16 at the Victoria Conference Centre. VRBA members receive a \$70 discount off regular admission. Register as VICA Member/Partner at <https://vicaconference.ca/registration/registant-information> Seminars include:

- [1a. Tall Wood Construction: New Growth in a New Decade](#)
- [2a. The Art \(and Science\) of Working with Local Governments](#)
- [3a. Legal...Matters.](#)
- [4a. Working Smarter, Not Harder: How Lean Creates a Collaborative Culture | Workshop](#)
- [5a. Apprenticeships: The "Ticket" to a Skilled Industry](#)

For more info, visit <https://vicaconference.ca/home>

VRBA BUILDERS COUNCIL MEETING: WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19

The next Builders Council meeting at VRBA is Wednesday February 19, 12 noon to 1 pm featuring a presentation by Jim Baker, Senior Codes Administrator, BC Building and Safety Standards on the proposed National Building Code focusing on energy efficiency and seismic.

The public review ends March 13, 2020. More info is available [here](#).

This meeting has been submitted to BC Housing, Licensing and Consumer Services for one hour of CPD.

Pizza and pop will be served at the meeting at no charge.

We expect this meeting to be full so please RSVP admin@vrba.ca

JOIN BCCA EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST

Does your company need a benefits program? VRBA partners with BCCA Employee Benefit Trust, to take advantage of a great flexible package designed for the construction industry. Plans are affordable and easy to set up. Contact Laura Bonney at info@bccabenefits.ca.

EMPLOYER TRAINING GRANT OPEN

Building It Right announces the BC Employer Training Grant is now available for courses taken April 1 to July 31! For more info visit <https://buildingitright.com/applying-for-grants.html>

Also learn about **Victoria Super Week** Nov 3 to 5, 2020 at <https://constructivehomesolutions.thundertix.com/events/164477>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 10 – Tall Wood Design Workshop - [Click here to register](#)
Feb 12 & 13 – Buildex at Vancouver Convention Centre West www.buildexvancouver.com
Feb 19 – Builders Council RSVP admin@vrba.ca
Feb 26 – ICF Training: Contact Darrell Ell at 250-532-3191 training@nudura.com
April 8 – General Meeting Lunch at Gorge Vale Golf Club admin@vrba.ca
April 16 – Vancouver Island Construction Conference; [Details](#)

EDUCATION & TRAINING



Island ICF Foundation Supplies Inc. is holding a day of training on Insulated Concrete Forms (ICFs) in Victoria on February 26. This training is eligible for 7 CPD credits and will lead towards becoming a trained installer. For more info, contact Darrell Ell at 250-532-3191 or training@nudura.com.

Licensing & Consumer Services Branch of BC Housing approved offerings for CPD builder licensing [click here](#)

Murray Frank's Building It Right Courses www.buildingitright.com 65 CPD points available online!
Here is the upcoming course schedule including CPD at Sea; The Mechanicals; Your Design, Your Way; 10 Foot Wall Challenge; Windows and Details and more!
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Visit [schedule](#)

VICA: Builder Education Courses from the Vancouver Island Construction Association

Courses include Construction Estimating; Introduction to Blueprint Reading; Project Management; Construction Industry Ethics, COR Safety Training and more! A list is [here](#).

[View courses](#)

To get the VRBA member discount contact: Contact Chenelle Falconer, Education Coordinator,
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