



CALL FOR ENTRIES

Submission Deadline: Friday, November 1, 2024

The Canadian Home Builders' Association of the Central Okanagan (CHBA-CO) is pleased to invite member companies involved in the residential building industry to participate in the 2024 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence®. **Each entrant must be a CHBA-CO member in good standing, including associate companies listed on the entries.**

Finalists are showcased at the Builders Ball event, as well as Gala Night, which provides incredible exposure as both events are very well attended by individuals both in and outside of the building industry. In addition, finalists are mentioned in various CHBA digital and print media – both leading up to the event and afterwards.

For more information on joining the Association or questions regarding your entry please contact our office directly: Email: info@chbaco.com or Phone: 250-861-3988.

ELIGIBLE ENTRIES

- Projects and products built, renovated, developed, created and/or marketed for the period of **January 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024** are eligible for the 2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence®.
- A building permit must be in place for any pre-sale marketing.
- For categories 1-16, 27-39, and 46, the project must be substantially completed.
- Any entry in a specific category from a previous year is not eligible to be entered in the same category for this year's competition; however, a new phase could be entered from the same project (i.e. If you entered Excellence in Townhome Development last year, Phase 2 of the same development could enter Excellence in Townhome Development again this year as long as additional phases have substantial differences).
- Entries must include Homeowner and/or Builder/Renovator permission forms. (See specific categories)
- Associate companies will not be added after November 30, 2024.

DEADLINE, ENTRY FEES & PAYMENT METHODS

The online entry form closes at **11:59pm on Friday, November 1, 2024**. All completed online entry forms, including floor plans and fees, must be submitted by this time. There will be **no** extensions.

Category	Per Entry
1 – 39	\$300 + GST
40 – 48	\$500 + GST

- One payment including all entry fees is sufficient for multiple entries.
- You may pay by Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, or Cheque.
- Your category and entry number(s) must be included with your payment.
- All payments must be received no later than **Friday, November 8, 2024** to qualify for judging.

ENTRY PREPARATION

- Entry materials for categories 1 – 13 and 17 - 48 must be anonymous.
- Inclusion of company names and addresses anywhere in or on the entry materials other than the entry form is forbidden, with the exception of entries for the Sales, Marketing and Merchandising categories.



- **Do not** include company names or logos on floor plans, digital images, or in project descriptions. Any floor plans, digital images or project descriptions in these categories that include company names will not be judged.
- We encourage you to use unique project names not home addresses or street names.

For photo submissions, please use the following format: "CategoryNumber-ProjectName-PhotoNumber". For instance, if your project is entered in category 1 and is named 'Lakeside', your photos should be labelled '01-Lakeside-01', '01-Lakeside-02', etc.

ENTRY FORM

- Enter the 2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® online through our website ohae.chbaco.com
- **The online entry form will be live in July 2024.**
- Information given on the entry form will be printed **exactly as submitted** for news releases, newspapers, publications, certificates and trophies. Take extra care to ensure all spelling is correct before you submit each entry. **Do not** use UPPERCASE.
- ***NEW FOR 2025*** Only Member companies may be recognized in the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence®. Entries must be submitted using the company name as listed on the membership. Individuals without their own CHBA-CO membership are no longer eligible for award recognition by name. (ie: Jane Doe of ABC Design)
- CHBA-CO **will not** make any corrections after the entry has been submitted. Edits can be made by the entrant up to the submission deadline.
- Any member of CHBA-CO in good standing can enter any award category, except Grand Housing Awards, but must be accompanied by the proper form (i.e. Homeowner Permission Form, Builder Permission Form and/or Renovator Permission Form). For categories 19 – 26, a Renovator Permission Form must be submitted if the Renovator is not the primary entrant. Should the project be contracted out to a Builder and/or Renovator, in order for the entry to be accepted, **must** have the proper Permission Form submitted.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION TEXT BOXES

- Total word count per text box cannot exceed 300 words.
- Bullet form is recommended.
- Text used to describe the project should **specifically state how it meets the category criteria**.
- Project descriptions will be provided to the judges while they are viewing the digital images and all other entry requirements. Project descriptions may also be read aloud.

DIGITAL SUBMISSION CRITERIA

- Digital images for your submission must be uploaded to the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® online entry form's server and **labelled with your unique entry ID number and project name**.
- You will not be able to upload more than the required number of images requested by each category.

DIGITAL IMAGE SUBMISSION SPECIFICATIONS

- Exterior, night-time images **will not** be judged. Dusk images are fine (but not recommended) as long as the judges are able to see features of the exterior of the project.
- Images to be saved @ 300DPI which allows for proper optimization for judging, website and gala presentations. 5MB Max file size per photo.
- Save as a **high-quality JPEG** file only. **Do not** submit pdf, tiff, gif, psd or any other file formats.
- **Do not** send re-formatted images that have been cropped and layered with borders or frames.
- All images must be anonymous. Do not include people in your images unless required by the category (This may not apply to "before" images in the renovation categories).
- **Do not** submit black and white or grayscale images, renderings, and digitally enhanced or high-definition images. This does not apply to categories 12-14.



- **Do not** submit black and white “before” images for renovation categories. They will not be judged.

PLANS: Floor, Site, Landscape, etc.

- Submit simple and easy to read floor plans.
- Floor/Site plans for your submission must be uploaded to the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® online entry form’s server as a **PDF** and **labelled with your unique entry ID number and project name**. Floorplans must have all references to entrant and associate companies (logos, company name, address, etc.) removed.

JUDGING

- Each entry will be judged on its own merit, based solely on entry materials provided.
- Entries will be judged by a panel of highly qualified judges from outside of the Okanagan.
- An accounting firm chosen by CHBA-CO will monitor the judging process. No others will be allowed to observe the judging of entries.
- The 2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® Finalists will be announced in December 2024 at the Builders Ball.
- **Decisions of the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® are final.**

CHBA-CO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO

- Cancel, combine or split any category due to numerous or insufficient number of entries or at the judges’ discretion;
- Withdraw a particular category if all the entries submitted do not meet the criteria or are not of a standard that recognizes excellence;
- Withdraw any entries if they do not meet the criteria or are not of a standard that recognizes excellence;
- Withdraw a particular entry if it does not meet the digital image submission specifications;
- Request any additional information it deems necessary to confirm the information contained in any submission; and/or
- Judges may also re-categorize any entry if, in their opinion, it has been entered in the wrong category, or if it is more appropriate in another category.

RETURN OF ENTRY MATERIAL

All materials submitted become the sole property of CHBA-CO and the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence®. CHBA-CO and the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® reserve the right to use any or all of these materials for the promotion of the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence®. Due to the volume of entry materials, we are unable to return any of the materials submitted.

It is important to the integrity of the residential construction industry that all entrants conduct themselves in such a way as to demonstrate good business practices. If it can be demonstrated at any time up to and after the final awarding of the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® trophy that there are business practices detrimental to the integrity of the industry, that participant will be disqualified.

The Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® entrants and participants are required to accept all decisions by CHBA-CO and the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® as final and binding.

32nd ANNUAL OKANAGAN HOUSING AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE® GOLD GALA

The Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® Gala evening is scheduled for February 2024. Tickets can be ordered online in December 2024.

At the awards ceremony, only the winning, primary entrant will receive the Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® trophy. Associate entrants of finalists and winners can purchase a trophy following the event, provided that they are CHBA-CO members in good standing.

2025 OKANAGAN HOUSING AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE® CATEGORIES

Excellence in Interior, Building, and Landscape Design – New Home or Renovation

1. Kitchen Design (New Home or Renovation) \$125K & Under
2. Kitchen Design (New Home or Renovation) \$125K & Over
3. Primary Suite Design (New Home or Renovation)
4. Interior Design - New Home – Under 3,600 Square feet
5. Interior Design - New Home – Over 3,600 Square feet
6. Interior Design – Renovation – Under 2,500 Square feet
7. Interior Design – Renovation – Over 2,500 Square feet
8. Outdoor Living Space (New Home or Renovation)
9. Decorating & Styling (New Home or Renovation) – Under \$75,000
10. Decorating & Styling (New Home or Renovation) – Over \$75,000
11. Creating a Feature/Innovation in a Home (New Home or Renovation)
12. Residential Building Design – Construction-Ready - Under 3,600 Square feet
13. Residential Building Design – Construction-Ready - Over 3,600 Square feet

Excellence in Sales, Marketing & Merchandising

14. Marketing
15. Show Home - \$900K & Under
16. Show Home - \$900K & Over

Excellence in Special Achievement Awards

17. Environmental Initiative – Residential or Commercial
18. Public or Private Partnership

Excellence in Residential Planning, Design, Construction – Renovation

19. Energy Efficiency Renovation
20. Residential Renovations \$500K & Under
21. Residential Renovations \$500K - \$1M
22. Residential Renovations \$1M & Over
23. Kitchen Renovations \$125K & Under
24. Kitchen Renovations \$125K & Over
25. Bathroom Renovations \$50K & Under
26. Bathroom Renovations \$50K & Over

Excellence in Residential Planning, Design and Construction – New Home

27. Best New Small – Scale Home – Up to 1,500 sq. ft.
28. Single Family Detached Home - Under \$750K
29. Single Family Detached Home \$750K - \$1M
30. Single Family Detached Home \$1M - \$1.5M
31. Single Family Detached Home \$1.5M - \$2M
32. Single Family Detached Home \$2M - \$3M
33. Single Family Detached Home \$3M - \$4M
34. Single Family Detached Home \$4M & Over
35. Semi-Detached or Town-Home Development
36. Creating a Low-Rise Multi-Family Development
37. Creating a Mid-Rise or Mixed-Use Multi-Family Development
38. Creating a Hi-Rise Multi-Family Development
39. Urban Infill - Residential (Property Re-Use)

Grand Housing Awards of Excellence®

40. Supplier of the Year
41. Trade of the Year
42. Design Firm of the Year
43. Residential Building Designer of the Year
44. Residential Renovator of the Year
45. Multi-Family Builder of the Year
46. Home of the Year
47. Single Family Home Builder of the Year Small Volume (10 Homes or Less)
48. Single Family Home Builder of the Year Large Volume (11 Homes or More)

Excellence in Interior Design and Landscape Design

1. Kitchen Design (New Home) \$125K & Under
2. Kitchen Design (New Home) \$125K & Over

Criteria (Categories 1 - 2)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Functionality of layout
- Unique design features and elements
- Choice of materials
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Categories 1 - 2)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)
- Completed Budget Sheet

3. Primary Suite Design (New Home or Renovation)

Criteria (Category 3)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Functionality of layout
- Unique design features and elements
- Choice of materials
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Category 3)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

4. Interior Design - New Home – Under 3,600 Square Feet
5. Interior Design - New Home – Over 3,600 Square Feet

Criteria (Category 4 - 5)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Appeal of design philosophy to target market
- Functional and unique design features
- Choice of materials, colours and textiles
- Lasting impression with design, furniture, accessories and merchandising
- Describe how the design elements suit the client's lifestyle

Requirements (Category 4 - 5)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

6. Interior Design – Renovation – Under 2,500 Square Feet
7. Interior Design – Renovation – Over 2,500 Square Feet

Criteria (Category 6 - 7)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Addition of architectural details and unique design features
- Functional improvements
- Choice of materials, colours and textiles
- Lasting impression with design, furniture, accessories and merchandising
- Describe how the design elements suite the client's lifestyle

Requirements (Category 6 - 7)

- Completed online entry
- 14 digital images (4 before / 10 after) that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

8. Outdoor Living Space (New Home or Renovation)

Focus is on the finished product. For renovations, "before" pictures are not required. May include multi-family, single family and renovations. Focus is on the elements that make a space liveable.

Criteria (Category 8)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Functional and unique design features
- Selection and placement of materials
- Addresses the climatic conditions, exposure and limitation
- Success of landscaping as a compliment to the home/development

Requirements (Category 8)

- Completed online entry
- 14 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

9. Decorating & Styling (New or Renovation) – Under \$75,000

10. Decorating & Styling (New or Renovation) – Over \$75,000

Can be any room in a home. Must include before and after pictures even if it is a new build.

Criteria (Category 9 - 10)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Functionality of layout
- Unique design features and elements
- Choice and implementation of materials, artwork, and furnishings
- Aesthetically pleasing

Requirements (Category 9 - 10)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
 - Minimum of two 'before' photos
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

11. Creating a Feature/Innovation in a Home

Innovative feature is characterized by the introduction of an inventive feature, space, method, element or product that enhances the residential project or building process and results in a unique effect or feature. This category looks at features, which are seen to be unique and could be applied to other residential

projects.

Criteria (Category 11)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Explain in detail the concept that created the inspiration for this innovative feature
- Unique design elements, functionality and purpose
- Choice of material

Requirements (Category 11)

- Must be Code-Compliant
- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Permission Form (if applicable)
- Project Value of Innovative Feature

12. Excellence in Residential Building Design – Construction-Ready – Under 3,600 Square feet

13. Excellence in Residential Building Design – Construction-Ready – Over 3,600 Square feet

Recognizes member projects in the conceptual design and planning stage. All projects must be commissioned by a client with the intention to build the submitted proposal. Entries should be scheduled for construction or under construction, but not substantially complete. All residential building types are eligible. Square footage is based on living space. Only renderings and technical drawings are accepted for this award (no photos).

Criteria (Category 12 - 13)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Exterior: Architectural detailing & features, curb appeal, choice/use of materials
- Interior: Creative use of space, unique building design features
- Overall: Functionality of floor plan and overall use of space in overall building design
- Client Needs: Ability to take considerations from client lifestyle and incorporate into design

Requirements (Category 12 - 13)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project – Conceptual only, no final photos
- Technical drawings including site plan, floor plans, sections, elevations and/or model views
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Designer Permission Form (if applicable)

Excellence in Sales, Marketing & Merchandising

14. Marketing

This category is inclusive of all marketing campaigns for example; all print media, logo designs, website design, etc.

Criteria (Category 14)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Rationale behind project name and identity
- Synergy of identity with key project features
- Overall graphic design
- Execution and consistency across promotional elements
- Appeal to target market and market acceptance
- Results of Campaign

Requirements (Category 14)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- If print media is being entered, provide a mounted sample

15. Show Home - \$900K and Under

16. Show Home - \$900K and Over

Show home must be open a minimum of three (3) days a week either to the public or by appointment with proper signage.

Criteria (Categories 15 - 16)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Functional and unique design features
- Concept, creativity and ability to characterize lifestyle to the target market
- Impact of furniture and accessories
- Signage and landscaping

Requirements (Categories 15 - 16)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Budget Sheet

Excellence in Special Achievement Awards

17. Environmental Initiative (Residential or Commercial)

This award recognizes a member who embraces environmental, economic and social aspects of their project and incorporates creative and innovative solutions, while maintaining a consideration for the environment. This award will be presented to a member who recognizes the impact of their project/development on its surrounding area and have taken steps to reduce this impact and add quality to the community. This award may recognize a member who has constructed a certified home with Energy Star®, Built Green®, R-2000 and/or Net Zero program(s) in a custom-built project.

Criteria (Category 17)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Sensitivity to site conditions and surrounding environments
- Selection of materials and resources
- Energy and water saving considerations
- Construction practices and details of certification program chosen
- Innovation and design

Requirements (Category 17)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Any certificates earned (Energy Star®, EnerGuide, Built Green®, LEED and/or R-2000 Certificate or Label)
- Completed Homeowner Permission Form

18. Public or Private Partnership

This award recognizes a member whom embraces leadership in fostering cooperation between public and/or private sectors in addressing housing issues. This may include affordable housing, partnerships with government or government entities, or partnerships with non-profits.

Criteria (Category 18)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Leadership in fostering cooperation between public and private sectors in addressing housing issues
- Initiatives taken that promote working relationships between industry members and any level of government or educational facility
- Reduction or streamlining of regulatory processes
- Action plan or strategies taken to improve housing stock
- Initiatives that address growth management and promote higher density housing, Energy Star®, Built Green®, R-2000 or Net Zero housing techniques

Requirements (Category 18)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Entry may include a letter of support from the partner entrant
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Permission Form (if applicable)

Excellence in Residential Planning, Design, Construction – Renovation

19. High Performance Renovation

*This award recognizes a member whom embraces leadership in energy efficiency and high performance in the renovation sector. **Project must be modelled by a Certified Energy Advisor***

Criteria (Categories 19)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Percent-better performance as measured during the before and after process
- Sensitivity to site conditions and surrounding environments
- Environmental considerations (energy efficiency, comfort and health)
- Selection of materials and systems to minimize the home's energy consumption
- Client requirements: how were the goals and needs of the client met on this project

Requirements (Category 19)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
- Floor and/or site plan
- Before and after energy advisor report
- Completed Homeowner and Builder Permission Form (if applicable)
- For Category 19 only: EnerGuide or comparable labelling program documentation of before and after performance.

20. Residential Renovations \$500K & Under

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client and/or subcontractors, professional/municipal fees, and appliances, and excluding GST, must be less than \$500K.

21. Residential Renovations \$500K - \$1M

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client and/or subcontractors, professional/municipal fees, and appliances, and excluding GST, must be between \$500K and \$1M.

22. Residential Renovations \$1M & Over

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client and/or subcontractors, professional/municipal fees, and appliances, and excluding GST, must be over \$1M.

Criteria (Categories 20 – 22)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Purpose of renovation and construction challenges
- Creative and efficient use of space
- Compatibility of existing and/or new materials as well as finishing details
- Environmental considerations (energy efficiency, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Categories 20 – 22)

- Completed online entry
- 14 digital images that best represent the project
 - Up to four (4) "Before"
 - Up to ten (10) "After"
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner Permission Form and/or Renovator Permission Form
- Completed Budget Sheet

23. Kitchen Renovations \$125K & Under

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client, subcontractors, professional/municipal fees and appliances, and excluding GST, must be under \$125K.

24. Kitchen Renovations \$125K & Over

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client, subcontractors, professional/municipal fees and appliances, and excluding GST, must be over \$125K.

Criteria (Categories 23 – 24)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Purpose of renovation and construction challenges
- Efficient use of space
- Creativity and finishing details
- Environmental considerations (energy efficiency, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Categories 23 - 24)

- Completed online entry
- 14 digital images that best represent the project
 - Up to four (4) “Before”
 - Up to ten (10) “After”
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner Permission Form and/or Renovator Permission Form
- Completed Budget Sheet

25. Bathroom Renovations \$50K & Under

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client, subcontractors, professional/municipal fees and appliances, and excluding GST, must be under \$50K.

26. Bathroom Renovations \$50K & Over

The total cost to the client for the renovation, including design fees and all materials, labour supplied by the client, subcontractors, professional/municipal fees and appliances, and excluding GST, must be over \$50K.

Criteria (Category 26 - 27)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Purpose of renovation and construction challenges
- Efficient use of space
- Creativity and finishing details
- Environmental considerations (energy efficiency, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Category 26 - 27)

- Completed online entry
- 14 digital images that best represent the project
 - Up to four (4) “Before”
 - Up to ten (10) “After”
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner Permission Form and/or Renovator Permission Form
- Completed Budget Sheet

Excellence in Residential Planning, Design and Construction – New

- 27. Best New Small Scale Home – Up to 1,500 sq. ft.
- 28. Single Family Detached Home Under \$750K
- 29. Single Family Detached Home \$750K - \$1M
- 30. Single Family Detached Home \$1M - \$1.5M
- 31. Single Family Detached Home \$1.5M - \$2M
- 32. Single Family Detached Home \$2M - \$3M
- 33. Single Family Detached Home \$3M - \$4M
- 34. Single Family Detached Home \$4M & Over

The square footage of the home includes the main and upper floors but excludes the garage and unfinished basement areas. Categories 27 – 34 may include new forms of housing such as laneway homes, duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes and fee simple strata. The home must be defined as a 'dwelling unit'. Credit will be given for affordable components.

Criteria (Category 27)

- Exterior: architectural character, curb appeal and integration of the project into its setting
- Interior: creative and innovative use of space including architectural detail and form
- Functionality of floor plan
- Environmental considerations (energy, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices
- Home must have a maximum of 1,500 square feet of finished living space.

Criteria (Categories 28 – 34)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Exterior: architectural character, curb appeal and integration of the project into its setting
- Interior: creative and innovative use of space including architectural detail and form
- Functionality of floor plan
- Environmental considerations (energy, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Categories 27 – 34 inclusive)

- Have a BC Housing Licence currently in Good Standing
- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
 - Two (2) showing exterior
 - Six (6) showing interior
 - Four (4) of your choice
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Homeowner Permission Form
- Completed Budget Sheet (Except for Category 27)

35. Semi-Detached or Town-Home Development

Project is defined as a ground-oriented project in which each unit has a separate entrance. It may include new forms of housing such as row homes. Rental projects are also eligible.

36. Creating a Low-Rise or Mixed-Use Multi-Family Development



*A multi-family low-rise development is defined as a project with a common entrance servicing all units. A low-rise building is less than or equal to **5 storeys in height**. Rental projects are also eligible.*

37. Creating a Mid-Rise or Mixed-Use Multi-Family Development

*A multi-family mid-rise development is defined as a project with a common entrance servicing all units. A mid-rise building is between **6 and 10 storeys in height**. Rental projects are also eligible.*

38. Creating a High-Rise or Mixed-Use Multi-Family Development

*A multi-family high-rise development is defined as a project with a common entrance servicing all units. A high-rise building is considered **10 storeys in height and over**. Rental projects are also eligible.*

39. Urban Infill - Residential (Property Re-Use)

Any type of development which is added to an existing developed property, or on a vacant property in an otherwise developed area.

Criteria (Categories 35 – 39 inclusive)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria:

- Exterior: architectural character, unique attributes including amenities, green space etc., curb appeal and integration of the project into its setting
- Interior: creative and innovative use of space including architectural detail and form
- Functionality of floor plan
- Environmental considerations (energy, comfort and health)
- Construction details/techniques to achieve industry best practices

Requirements (Categories 35 – 39 inclusive)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the project
 - Four (4) showing development setting, architectural character, entrance to project, etc.
 - Four (4) showing principal living areas
 - Four (4) of your choice
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Budget Sheet

Grand Housing Awards®

40. Supplier of the Year

Entrants in this category must be entered in at least two (2) categories as a lead or project partner and are in good standing are eligible for this award. This award will be determined by a local panel of judges and the CHBA-CO Board of Directors based on the submission criteria below.

Criteria (Category 40)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria, with a maximum of 300 words.:

- Environmental responsibility and leadership in residential construction (Step Code, Carbon, Efficient Material Usage)
- Industry involvement of the Supplier and support of CHBA-CO initiatives (events, committees, and volunteering with CHBA or otherwise within industry)
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) and mentoring of staff and new professionals
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Additional innovation within the industry

Requirements (Category 40)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

41. Trade of the Year

All CHBA-CO trade members who submit for awards as a lead or are listed as project partner in at least two (2) categories and are in good standing are eligible for this award. This award will be determined by a local panel of judges and the CHBA-CO Board of Directors based on the submission criteria below.

Criteria (Category 41)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria, with a maximum of 300 words.:

- Environmental responsibility and leadership in residential construction (Step Code, Carbon, Efficient Material Usage)
- Industry involvement of the Trade and support of CHBA-CO initiatives (events, committees, and volunteering with CHBA or otherwise within industry)
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) and mentoring of staff and new professionals
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Additional innovation within the industry

Requirements (Category 41)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

42. Design Firm of the Year

All CHBA-CO designer members who submit for awards are listed as a lead or project partner in at least two (2) categories, and are in good standing are eligible for this award. For clarity, any member whose

primary business is selling product should enter in 'Supplier of the Year'. In addition to the awards submissions, designers will need to submit a written entry based on the criteria below.

Criteria (Category 42)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria, with a maximum of 300 words.:

- Quality of submissions in previous categories: The two highest scores in the previous categories will be averaged and applied to the Grand Awards Score.
- Industry involvement support of the CHBA-CO or other industry initiatives (Events and Committee participation - CHBA or Otherwise within the industry.)
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) and mentoring of staff and new professionals.
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Innovation within the industry (Carbon code, Step Code, Implementation of new and innovative technologies or details)

Requirements (Category 42)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

43. Residential Building Designer of the Year

All CHBA-CO building designer members, including design-build members that submit for awards, or are listed as a lead or project partner, in at least two (2) categories in the following: 1-13, 15-39 and are in good standing are eligible for this award. Architects are eligible to apply for this award. In addition to the awards submissions, entrants will need to submit a written entry based on the criteria below.

Criteria (Category 43)

Entry will be judged on the following criteria, with a maximum of 300 words.:

- Quality of submissions in previous categories: The two highest scores in the previous categories will be averaged and applied to the Grand Awards Score.
- Industry involvement support of the CHBA-CO or other industry initiatives (Events and Committee participation - CHBA or Otherwise within the industry.)
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) and mentoring of staff and new professionals.
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Innovation within the industry (Carbon code, Step Code, Implementation of new and innovative technologies or details)

Requirements (Category 43)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

44. Residential Renovator of the Year (Must be entered by a Renovator)

Entrants must enter a minimum of two (2) categories in the following: 1 – 3, 6-7, and 19 – 26 to be eligible for this Grand Award. This award will be determined by the minimum of two (2) categories entered and the materials submitted. Only members listed as a 'renovator' members can enter this award. For clarity, suppliers and designers are encouraged to enter their specific Grand Award.

Criteria (Category 44)

The following will be judged in addition to the above criteria:



- Environmental responsibility and support of CHBA's environmental programs
- Industry involvement of the Renovator and support of the CHBA-CO initiatives
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) including human resource development and training
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Innovation within the industry

Requirements (Category 44)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

45. Multi-Family Builder of the Year (Must be entered by a Builder/Developer)

Entrants must enter a minimum of two (2) categories in the following: 14 – 18, and 35 – 39 to be eligible for this Grand Award. This award will be determined by the minimum of two (2) categories entered and the materials submitted.

Criteria (Category 45)

The following will be judged in addition to the above criteria:

- Environmental responsibility and support of CHBA's environmental programs
- Industry involvement of the multi-family builder and support of the CHBA-CO initiatives
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) including human resource development and training
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Innovation within the industry

Requirements (Category 45)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on the judging criteria

46. Home of the Year (Must be entered by a Builder/Renovator)

Entrants must enter a minimum of two (2) categories in the following: 1 – 11, 15 - 16, and 19 – 39 to be eligible for this Grand Award. This award will be determined by the minimum of two (2) categories entered and the materials submitted.

Criteria (Category 46)

The following will be judged in addition to the above criteria:

- Exterior: architectural character, curb appeal, and integration of the project into its setting
- Interior: creative and innovative use of space including architectural detail and form
- Functionality of floor plan
- Unique design features and elements
- Environmental considerations including energy efficiency

Requirements (Category 46)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant
- Floor and/or site plan
- Completed Budget Sheet

47. Single Family Home Builder of the Year Small Volume (10 Homes or Less) (Must be entered by a Builder)

Entrants must enter a minimum of two (2) categories in the following: 1 – 13, 15 – 16, and 27 – 39 to be eligible for this Grand Award. This award will be determined by the minimum of two (2) categories entered and the materials submitted.

48. Single Family Home Builder of the Year Large Volume (11 Homes or More) (Must be entered by a Builder)



Entrants must enter a minimum of two (2) categories in the following: 1 – 13, 15 – 16, and 27 – 39 to be eligible for this Grand Award. This award will be determined by the minimum of two (2) categories entered and the materials submitted.

Criteria (Categories 47 & 48)

The following will be judged in addition to the above criteria:

- Environmental responsibility and support of CHBA's environmental programs
- Industry involvement of the builder and support of the CHBA-CO initiatives
- Career development within the organization (Education & Training) including human resource development and training
- Charitable, volunteer, and social contributions to the community
- Innovation within the industry

Requirements (Categories 47 & 48)

- Completed online entry
- 12 digital images that best represent the entrant based on judging criteria



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- Please note: any work completed/items purchased (at fair market value) by the client or subcontractor(s) with your company's standard mark-up rate, must be included in the cost. This also applies to any re-used items (for renovations). In summary, what the judges see in the photo must be included on this budget sheet. This is just a working sheet only.

Please include all budget information on the online form.

- Entry ID Number: _____

Item	Description	Total
1	Foundation <i>Concrete Materials (including Patio & Driveways), Damp Proof, and Drainage, Finishing, Flat Work Prep, Foundation Labor, Form Rental, Pumping, Rebar, Interior Skimcoats</i>	\$
2	Framing <i>Framing Labor, Framing Materials, Joists, Beams, Trusses, Windows, and Exterior Door, Garage Doors</i>	\$
3	Lock Up <i>Air Conditioning, Audio & Video, Central Vacuum, Drywall, Elevator, Electrical, Heating & Ventilation, Insulation, Low Voltage, Plumbing, Roofing, Security, Soffits</i>	\$
4	Cabinetry & Millwork <i>Base, Case, Cabinets, Counter top Surfaces, Closet Shelving, Doors & Hardware, Finishing Labor, Flooring, Interior Railings, Painting, Specialty Finishes, Splashes, Surrounds, Tile, Trim Work, Wall Finishes</i>	\$
5	Interior Finishes <i>Bathroom Accessories, Finished Vacuum, Fireplaces, Home Automation, Interior Glass Work, Interior Masonry, Light Fixtures, Mirrors, Plumbing Fixtures, Splashes, Surrounds, Shower Doors</i>	\$
6	Exterior Finishes <i>All Cladding, Stucco, Awnings, Exterior Painting, Decking, Exterior Rails & Guards, Gutters & Downpipes, Masonry, Sunroom, Screens, Sunshades, Trellis, Stairs</i>	\$
7	Appliances <i>All Appliances, Appliance Installation, Cooler Equipment, Steam Generators, EV Chargers</i>	\$
8	Consultants <i>Architects, Arborist, Engineering (Structural, Geotechnical, Building Envelope), Environmental, Erosion, Sediment, Survey, Interior Design, Energy Consultant(s)</i>	\$
9	Landscape <i>Retaining Walls (all types), Machine Work, Soil Turf, Plantings, Trees, Fences, Pergolas, Courtyards, Pavers, Irrigation & Lighting, Privacy Walls, Pools and Water Features</i>	\$
10	Miscellaneous <i>Building Permit Fees, Cleanup & Dump Fees, Construction Insurance, Equipment Rental, Garbage Removal, Portable Bathroom Rental, Utilities, Shop Supplies, Site Supervision, Site Safety, Casual Labour</i>	\$
	Total <u>before</u> Taxes	\$

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REQUIRED FOR CATEGORIES: 9-10

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Item	Description	Total
1	Furniture <i>Soft goods (sofas, chairs, sectionals, mattresses), Case goods (coffee table, end tables, beds, nightstands etc)</i>	\$
2	Accessories <i>Table top items, plants, books, vases, rugs, lamps, bedding, pillows etc.</i>	\$
3	Artwork	\$
4	Drapery & Window Coverings <i>Blinds, side panels, valances, labour and installation</i>	\$
5	Consultant Fees <i>Interior design fees, styling fees, rentals</i>	\$
Total before Taxes		\$

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I/We, the undersigned, hereby give our permission to _____
(name of person) of _____ (name of company) to enter
our home in the 2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® and understand that
the photos may be used for marketing purposes.

We understand that by providing permission, we are not allowed to revoke
permission at any point once the waiver has been signed.

Signature of Homeowner

Name of Homeowner (print)

Signature of Homeowner

Name of Homeowner (print)

Date Signed

Name of Project as on Entry Form

Address (will not be published)

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® Builder/Developer Permission Form

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Signature of Builder/Developer

Name of Builder/Developer (print)

Signature of Builder/Developer

Name of Builder/Developer (print)

Date Signed

Name of Project as on Entry Form

Address (will not be published)

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

2025 Okanagan Housing Awards of Excellence® Renovator Permission Form

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Signature of Renovator

Name of Renovator (print)

Signature of Renovator

Name of Renovator (print)

Date Signed

Name of Project as on Entry Form

Address (will not be published)

Telephone: _____

Email: _____