HELP PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY!



5 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD CONTRIBUTE

What is the Vermont Legislative Action Committee?

This diverse group of homeowner leaders, community managers, and representatives from community association business partners provides perspective on how proposed legislation could impact people living and working in community associations.

WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP

During legislative sessions in Vermont, there are always pieces of legislation introduced that impact Vermont community

associations. We need your help now to continue to educate legislators and build relationships on your behalf. In order to be successful in supporting or opposing legislation, we rely on your support. Your donation makes our legislative advocacy and outreach efforts possible.

Please consider donating a \$1 per door (or more) so we can represent your community voice at the State Capitol. Giving is easy, simply donate online today at

www.advocacy.caionline.org or mail back your Dollar-a-Door or More donations form.

Additional information can be found on the Legislative Action Committee's website.



Gives you a voice. The volunteer committee represents the <u>approximately</u>

109,000 Vermonters living in 46,400 homes in nearly 2,000 community

associations. Your donation saves you and your community association money by protecting Vermont's homeowner and condominium associations from burdensome legislation.

Keeps you informed and involved. The Vermont Legislative Action Committee organizes "grassroots" advocacy campaigns — letters, e-mails, phone, and social media communications regarding important issues related to community associations.

Tracks legislation that could impact community associations. In 2025, the committee reviewed 11 bills that directly or indirectly impacted community associations >> www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking

Strengthens key relationships with lawmakers. By educating lawmakers, legislative and executive staff, and other organizations, as well as testifying, the committee helps advance issues facing community associations and influence the outcome of legislation.

Advocacy Successes. The Vermont Legislative Action Committee advocated directly to lawmakers on legislation during the 2025 legislative session:

H 172- VT LAC supported the concept of this bill, and worked to make sure it didn't turn into an ombudsman program. In line with CAI's <u>Alternative Dispute Resolution Public Policy</u>, CAI recognizes the need for and supports the use of fair alternative dispute resolution mechanisms to resolve disputes arising in community associations, particularly in appropriate cases where such measures can facilitate efficient and equitable resolution. CAI generally does not advise the creation of ombudsman programs, instead favoring approaches which empower associations and homeowners to create a fair dispute resolution process.

This bill was the primary focus of VT LAC's advocacy this session, with the LAC specifically reaching out to sponsors of the bill to introduce CAI as a resource for community association issues in Vermont. While the bill ultimately did not pass, the LAC made valuable legislator contacts and helped pave the way for future discussions on how best to assist Vermont's community associations.

This bill establishes an office with the authority to distribute educational materials and assist in navigating issues related to community associations. It also authorizes the state to contract with a nonprofit to fill the role.

Status: FAILED in Committee.

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