

We Want You to Know About
The MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSION ON COMMON
OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES

Montgomery County recognizes that a substantial proportion of all its citizens now live in condominium and homeowner associations, and in housing cooperatives, generally called "common ownership communities." In order to serve better the special needs of these communities, and to act as their advocate, the County created the Commission on Common Ownership Communities. The Commission operates under the authority of Chapter 10B of the County Code.

The Commission has 3 basic duties:

Education: the Commission provides free information to both members and to governing bodies about their rights and duties under Maryland law, as well as advice on how to properly operate the association. Among other tools, it offers a "Manual and Resource Guide" for boards of directors.

Legislation: the Commission advocates for common ownership communities concerning proposed laws and regulations at the local and State level.

Dispute resolution: the Commission can hear and resolve certain disputes between members of the communities and their governing bodies, and its decisions are legally binding on the parties.

For more information on the Commission and the services it offers, visit its website at <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/DHCA/housing/commonownership>. If you have questions, the CCOC prefers you contact it by telephone at (240) 777-3691.