

# HELP PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY!

## 5 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD CONTRIBUTE



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**LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE**  
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### What is the Maine 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 Maine, there are always pieces of legislation introduced that impact Maine 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](http://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, [www.caionline.org/MELAC](http://www.caionline.org/MELAC)



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**1 Gives you a voice.** The volunteer committee represents the approximately 128,000 Mainers living in [Maine's nearly 2,000 community associations](#). Your donation saves you and your community association money by protecting Maine's homeowner and condominium associations from burdensome legislation.

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

**3 Tracks legislation that could impact community associations.** In 2024, the committee reviewed 16 bills that directly or indirectly impacted community associations >> [www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking](http://www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking)

**4 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.

**5 Advocacy Successes.** In the 2024 legislative session spanning from January 3 to April 17, the legislature introduced more than 300 pieces of legislation, and the ME LAC monitored legislation that would have directly impacted the community association housing model.

Notably, the Maine Legislative Affairs Committee (ME LAC) monitored **ME LD 654**, a bill directing the Office of Policy Innovation and the Future to study methods for encouraging the development of accessory dwelling units (ADUs). This involved convening a stakeholder group to explore financing, incentive programs, building designs, and municipal ordinances related to ADUs, with a report submitted to the Joint Select Committee on Housing by March 1, 2024. Subsequently, a resolve was passed to establish a 2-year pilot program through the Finance Authority of Maine, aiming to promote ADU development by offering reduced interest rates on community bank loans for up to 100 ADUs. Annual reports on program usage are required, with the first report due by November 6, 2024.

Status: **SUCCESSFULLY PASSED**

[Click here to follow the important legislation CAI is tracking for 2024.](#)

# Dollar-a-Door or More!

## YOUR DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE



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### WAYS TO PLEDGE

#### >> Community Pledge

# of doors

X  \$1 or more

#### >> Flat Rate Pledge

\$100

\$250

\$500

\$1,000

Helping out is easy! [Go to www.caionline.org/LACdonate](http://www.caionline.org/LACdonate) or fill out and return this Dollar-a-Door or More donations form. Most community association boards can legally allocate money to support the Maine Legislative Action Committee. Please check your governing documents to verify before donating. **Corporate contributions are allowed and appreciated.**

#### METHOD OF DONATION

- ONLINE**— [www.caionline.org/LACDonate](http://www.caionline.org/LACDonate)
- CHECK**— make payable to: **Maine Legislative Action Committee**

Association Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Management Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Does your association agree to be recognized for its contribution by CAI? Yes / No

\*The Maine Legislative Action Committee is **NOT** a Political Action Committee (PAC) and **does not** give money to legislators or legislative candidates.

Please return this completed form to the address below:

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your support!



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