



Alberta Professional Planners Institute

## APPI - CIP COMPARATIVE VALUES

### What is the value of my APPI membership?

With APPI membership, you are part of a profession regulated by the Province of Alberta (Alberta Professional Planner Regulation). This means that you:

- have the exclusive right to use the protected title Registered Professional Planner (RPP)
- are accountable to the public interest through the APPI Code of Professional Conduct
- commit to continuous professional learning
- are mobile, as a regulated member, to work across Canada

To comply with our collective requirements in the Alberta Professional Planner Regulation and our responsibility to the public interest, your APPI membership means that you:

- have opportunities to contribute to and benefit from APPI efforts to monitor issues and legislation related to planning, and enhance the public and government's planning knowledge
- are covered by the APPI Professional Liability Insurance Program (which will replace the PLI program currently offered through the CIP)
- participate in the APPI Continuous Professional Learning Program and will have access to the APPI Continuous Professional Learning Program (which will be administered via the APPI website in the future)
- have representation on the Professional Standards Committee (PSC) and the Joint Administrators Group (JAG)
- receive regular communications via E News, Bulletins, Press Releases and Council Candour
- receive PLAN North West
- organize and have access to regional events, WTPD events and education sessions
- are invited to attend APPI's annual conference
- celebrate and participate in APPI members' accomplishments through the APPI Awards for Planning Excellence and Merit, and individual APPI Awards
- are part of the network of professional planners across Alberta, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut, and can share in the collective expertise and experiences of our broad community
- receive opportunities to volunteer as APPI representatives with external planning related organizations and committees (e.g., Calgary Planning Commission, Edmonton Urban Design Panel, University of Calgary Faculty of Environmental Design (EVDS) Faculty Council)

### What is the value of my CIP membership? (Provided by CIP)

Since 1919, membership in the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) has exemplified an individual's commitment to the planning profession and planning best practices. CIP advocates for planners nationally and internationally, and provides membership services that help planners advance in their careers. Membership with CIP also provides opportunities for networking and knowledge transfer.

Individual benefits of CIP membership include:

- Plan Canada quarterly magazine
- Regular digital communications
- Annual conference
- World Town Planning Day online conference
- Webinars and workshops that support CPL
- Individuals who are legally entitled to use RPP, may also use the appellation 'MCIP', denoting "Member of the Canadian Institute of Planners"

CIP's affinity programs provide additional value, including:

- Group life and health insurance with The Personal and Manulife
- Free subscription to ZoningTrilogy.com (\$99/yr value)
- Perkopolis (provides many discounts, including 10% off VIArail, 5% off Westjet Econo/Flex rates, discounted tickets to West Edmonton Mall, Heritage Park, Cineplex and more).

In choosing to be a member of CIP, you are also supporting programs that promote and raise awareness of the profession, such as the Great Places in Canada contest, encourage aspiring planners through student awards and scholarships (including CIP's charitable arm, the Planning Student Trust Fund), and recognize professional excellence with CIP's Awards in Planning Excellence and College of Fellows.

As your national association, CIP further provides significant value through its role as the secretariat for the Professional Standards Committee (PSC), Planning Alliance Forum, and Joint Administrators Group, which ensure collaborative, national information-sharing between all planning organizations. CIP is also the Canadian member of the Global Planners Network and Commonwealth Association of Planners, which links you with professional planners around the world.

### **What is the proposed member fee structure for 2018?**

APPI 2018 Membership fees for regulated members (RPP & Candidates)	\$328
APPI Professional Liability Insurance Premium	\$ 47
<b>APPI Total Fees</b>	<b>\$375</b>

CIP 2018 Membership fees	\$200
<b>Total APPI and CIP 2018 Member Fees</b>	<b>\$575</b>

#### **For reference:**

APPI 2017 Membership fees for regulated members	\$314
CIP 2017 Membership Fees	\$200
CIP 2017 Professional Liability Insurance Premium	\$ 51
<b>Total APPI and CIP 2017 Membership Fees</b>	<b>\$565</b>

### **Does ceasing to be member of CIP restrict my ability to practice planning anywhere in Canada?**

The *Canadian Free Trade Agreement* (CFTA) came into effect on July 1, 2017. Alberta's labour mobility obligations under the CFTA require Alberta and all provinces' and territories' professional regulatory organizations to recognize, upon application, workers who have been certified for an occupation by a regulatory authority in another province or territory, as qualified to practice that occupation in Alberta. Recognition is required to be granted expeditiously without further material requirements for training, experience, examinations or assessments unless a labour mobility exception has been approved.

However, in order for a member of APPI to practice planning in a jurisdiction outside of APPI and use the restricted RPP title, they must register as a Non Resident member of that respective Provincial and Territorial Institute and Association (PTIA). The title denotes rights and responsibilities of regulated members and the PTIA's can only regulate those RPP's who are their own members.