

7 Cooperative Principles

+ AUTONOMY & INDEPENDENCE

Co-ops are autonomous, self-help organizations controlled by their members. If they enter into agreements with other organizations, including governments, they do so on terms that ensure democratic control by their members

MEMBER'S ECONOMIC PARTICIPATION +

Members contribute equitably to, and democratically control the capital of their cooperative. At least part of that capital is the common property of the co-op

DEMOCRATIC MEMBER CONTROL +

Cooperatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, who actively participate in setting policies and making decisions. The elected representatives are accountable to the membership

VOLUNTARY & OPEN MEMBERSHIP +

Cooperatives are voluntary organizations open to all persons able to use their services and willing to accept the responsibilities of membership, without gender, social, racial, political, or religious discrimination

+ EDUCATION, TRAINING & INFORMATION

Co-ops provide education and training for their members, elected representatives, managers, and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their co-ops

+ COOPERATION AMONG CO-OPS

Co-ops serve their members most effectively and strengthen the cooperative movement by working together through local, regional, national, and international structures

+ CONCERN FOR COMMUNITY

While focusing on member needs, cooperatives work for the sustainable development of their communities through policies accepted by their members

MARCH 2015

FEBRUARY 2015						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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Daylight Savings Time Begins						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		St. Patrick's Day				
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
Palm Sunday						



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ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH
In homes with small children, make sure your home has tamper-resistant (TR) receptacles.