

## Co-op Coalition Survey: General Contractors

Thanks to the 6 people who took the time to help another co-op. The results are contained in the table, below. Once again, thanks for helping your other co-op Coalition members!

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In a message dated 8/27/18 11:04 AM, CooperativesDC@aol.com writes:

A small co-op with 30 units needs your help finding a contractor to provide maintenance as well as prioritize future work. Their request follows. Please help them by giving them your recommendations by Friday, September 14. We will summarize and share the results a few days later.

Thank you for helping one another!

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We are looking to do a major round of preventive maintenance on our building. We have multiple big problems we want addressed that cross systems within the building (i.e. roof AND plumbing AND exterior envelope). However, we are not so lucky to have enough money to do literally everything that comes to our mind. We are looking for a general contractor who will be able to both supply sufficient expertise to address our issues, and will be able to help us prioritize our efforts for maximum success. Could you send this around to members of the coalition for their recommendations? Thanks!

<50 units	We have been using a contractor with whom we are very happy, who can do planning and management as well as execution of work. Talking with the principal this morning about a job package for us, he indicated they would be interested in responding to the need below. Contact information is: Sejdi Sinani Shal Builders, Inc. <a href="mailto:shalbuilders@gmail.com">shalbuilders@gmail.com</a> (202) 492-4443
<50 units	I wish we had a contractor who could do that for us. We mostly rely on our management company to advise us. We have a go-to contractor for small jobs, but we have not sought his advice in making overall plans of this kind. I wonder: is this the sort of thing that reserve studies can help sort out?
<50 units	Sorry I don't have anyone to offer to this member. Sounds to me like they might want an engineering study to prioritize needs and then use either general contractor or project supervisor to get them through the work tasks.
50 – 99 units	We are a [relatively small] building and look forward to seeing the replies to this. An excellent question.
50 – 99 units	We are a larger co-op, [slightly less than 80] units.  We do not have a specific general contractor to recommend. Our work tends to be done on a task by task basis. If we were to do a larger project crossing domains, we would almost certainly be working with an architecture firm who we would ask for recommendations.

100+ units	<p>I don't know of a general contractor but there are companies that do maintenance contracting services. I would suggest checking with CAI, PMA or AOBA and getting a list of vendors that could help with this project.</p> <p>[One possibility:] Felix Calero PC Construction Group 703-928-4767 <a href="mailto:pcalero62@gmail.com">pcalero62@gmail.com</a></p>
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