1. **Home Ownership Information**

   a. Foreign Buyer tax: [https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/property-transfer-tax/additional-property-transfer-tax](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/property-transfer-tax/additional-property-transfer-tax)

     
      i. Speak to your realtor or a real estate lawyer for more information.

   c. Buying a Home in British Columbia: [https://www.bcfsa.ca/public-resources/real-estate/buying-home](https://www.bcfsa.ca/public-resources/real-estate/buying-home)
     
      i. Procedures involved in purchasing a home, documents required, and understanding the roles of people who may be involved in the transaction. Provided by the Real Estate Council of British Columbia.

   d. Association of Interior Realtors: [https://www.interiorrealtors.ca/](https://www.interiorrealtors.ca/)
     
      i. Find A REALTOR: [https://www.realtor.ca/realtors/bc/kelowna](https://www.realtor.ca/realtors/bc/kelowna)


      iii. Buyer Information: [https://www.interiorrealtors.ca/consumer-info/buyer-information/](https://www.interiorrealtors.ca/consumer-info/buyer-information/)

   e. New Real Estate Construction: [https://www.buzzbuzzhome.com/ca/place/kelowna-bc](https://www.buzzbuzzhome.com/ca/place/kelowna-bc)

   f. Canada Home & Mortgage Corporation: [https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/](https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/)
     
      i. Provide mortgage loan insurance, mortgage-backed securities, housing policy and programs, and housing research.

   g. Canadian Bankers Association: [https://cba.ca/](https://cba.ca/)
     
      i. Offer consumer information on mortgages, financing and the Canadian Home Buyer’s Plan.

   h. First Time Home Buyer’s Program for BC Residents: [https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/property-transfer-tax/exemptions/first-time-home-buyers](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/property-transfer-tax/exemptions/first-time-home-buyers)
     
      i. This program reduces or eliminates the amount of property transfer tax you pay when you purchase your first home. See the website for eligibility criteria.

   i. BC Home Owner Grant: [https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/home-owner-grant](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/home-owner-grant)
     
      i. This grand reduces the amount of property tax you pay for your principal residence.

     
      i. A variety of grants and special programs to help Canadians with home ownership.

     
      i. A program that allows you to withdraw from your registered retirement savings plans (RRSPs) to buy or build a qualifying home.
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2. **Long Term Rentals (1 year +)** *
   a. ARGUS Properties Ltd.: [https://www.argusproperties.ca/residential](https://www.argusproperties.ca/residential)
      i. On the application, include that you are a UBCO employee & request the discount.
   b. Mission Group Rental Properties: [https://www.missiongroup.ca/rental-properties/](https://www.missiongroup.ca/rental-properties/)
   c. Worman Residential Rentals: [https://www.worman.ca/residential-rentals](https://www.worman.ca/residential-rentals)
   d. Associated Property Management: [https://associatedpm.ca/residential-property-listings/](https://associatedpm.ca/residential-property-listings/)
   e. Castanet – Kelowna classified advertisements: [https://classifieds.castanet.net/cat/rentals/](https://classifieds.castanet.net/cat/rentals/)
   f. Craigslist Kelowna: [https://kelowna.craigslist.org/search/apa](https://kelowna.craigslist.org/search/apa)
   g. Kijiji Kelowna: [https://www.kijiji.ca/b-apartments-condos/kelowna/kelowna/house/k0c37l1700228a29276001](https://www.kijiji.ca/b-apartments-condos/kelowna/kelowna/house/k0c37l1700228a29276001)
   h. Sabbatical Homes: [https://www.sabbaticalhomes.com/](https://www.sabbaticalhomes.com/)
   j. Nest Host- short term corporate stays in furnished homes: [https://nesthost.ca/](https://nesthost.ca/)

3. **Short Term Rentals (1 – 6+ months)** *
   a. The Shore (1-3 bedroom condos): [https://theshorekelowna.com/](https://theshorekelowna.com/)
   b. Four Points Sheraton Kelowna Airport: [http://www.fourpointskelownaairport.com/UBC](http://www.fourpointskelownaairport.com/UBC)
   d. Kelowna Tourism Accommodation Listings: [https://www.tourismkelowna.com/places-to-stay/](https://www.tourismkelowna.com/places-to-stay/)

4. **Consumer Information: Renting a Home**
   b. What you should know after you sign a rent or lease agreement: [https://www.cmhc-sch.gc.ca/en/consumers/renting-a-home/i-am-renting](https://www.cmhc-sch.gc.ca/en/consumers/renting-a-home/i-am-renting)
   c. Tenant Resource and Advisory Guide: [https://tenants.bc.ca/](https://tenants.bc.ca/)
   d. Residential Tenancy Branch: [https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/housing-tenancy/residential-tenancies/contact-the-residential-tenancy-branch](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/housing-tenancy/residential-tenancies/contact-the-residential-tenancy-branch)

5. **Utilities**
   a. Electricity: [https://www.fortisbc.com/](https://www.fortisbc.com/)
   b. TV and internet: [https://www.shaw.ca/tv](https://www.shaw.ca/tv)
   c. Internet, home phone, mobile phone and TV: [https://www.telus.com/en/](https://www.telus.com/en/)
   d. Mobile phone: [https://www.bell.ca/](https://www.bell.ca/) or [https://www.rogers.com/](https://www.rogers.com/)

* For current information regarding rental prices and availability, please refer directly to the website.