

Caporale Construction

Victoria, British Columbia, Canada



Victoria builder receives CHBA awards for energy-efficient homes with the Advantage ICF System®

When builder Pat Caporale and his wife Geri founded Caporale Construction, Ltd. in 1990, their goal was to produce healthier, more energy-efficient and more accessible homes. Following these aspirations has earned them a lot of recognition, including 12 Construction Achievements and Renovations of Excellence (CARE) awards from the Victoria Chapter of the Canadian Home Builder's Association (CHBA), and selection as a finalist for the association's provincial Georgie awards.

As a certified R-2000 builder, Pat Caporale relies on the Advantage Insulating Concrete Form (ICF) System to help him meet R-2000 specifications and provide his customers durable, energy-efficient homes.

"With ICFs, the R-value is second to none," he said. "Plus they have excellent sound attenuation."

The Advantage ICF System® is an important component in creating an airtight, monolithic concrete wall with a Sound Transmission Class rating of 50, significantly quieter than typical

wood-frame construction. An airtight building envelope means no drafts or cold spots, up to 40 percent better energy efficiency, and fewer indoor pollutants. Plus, the Advantage ICF System saves Caporale money by eliminating the extra steps of applying a vapor barrier and rainscreen—code requirements in Vancouver Island's extremely wet climate.



"Once I explain the benefits of the Advantage ICF System to customers, many of them will opt for that type of construction because they understand it will be the healthiest, most comfortable house they can build," said Caporale. "I receive lots of compliments from homeowners living in the homes we build on how much quieter and more energy efficient their new homes are."

"After helping Pat with his first ICF home, it is great to see that the product has helped him meet his customer's needs and earn several prestigious awards," said Leon Lamothe, a Plasti-Fab representative.