



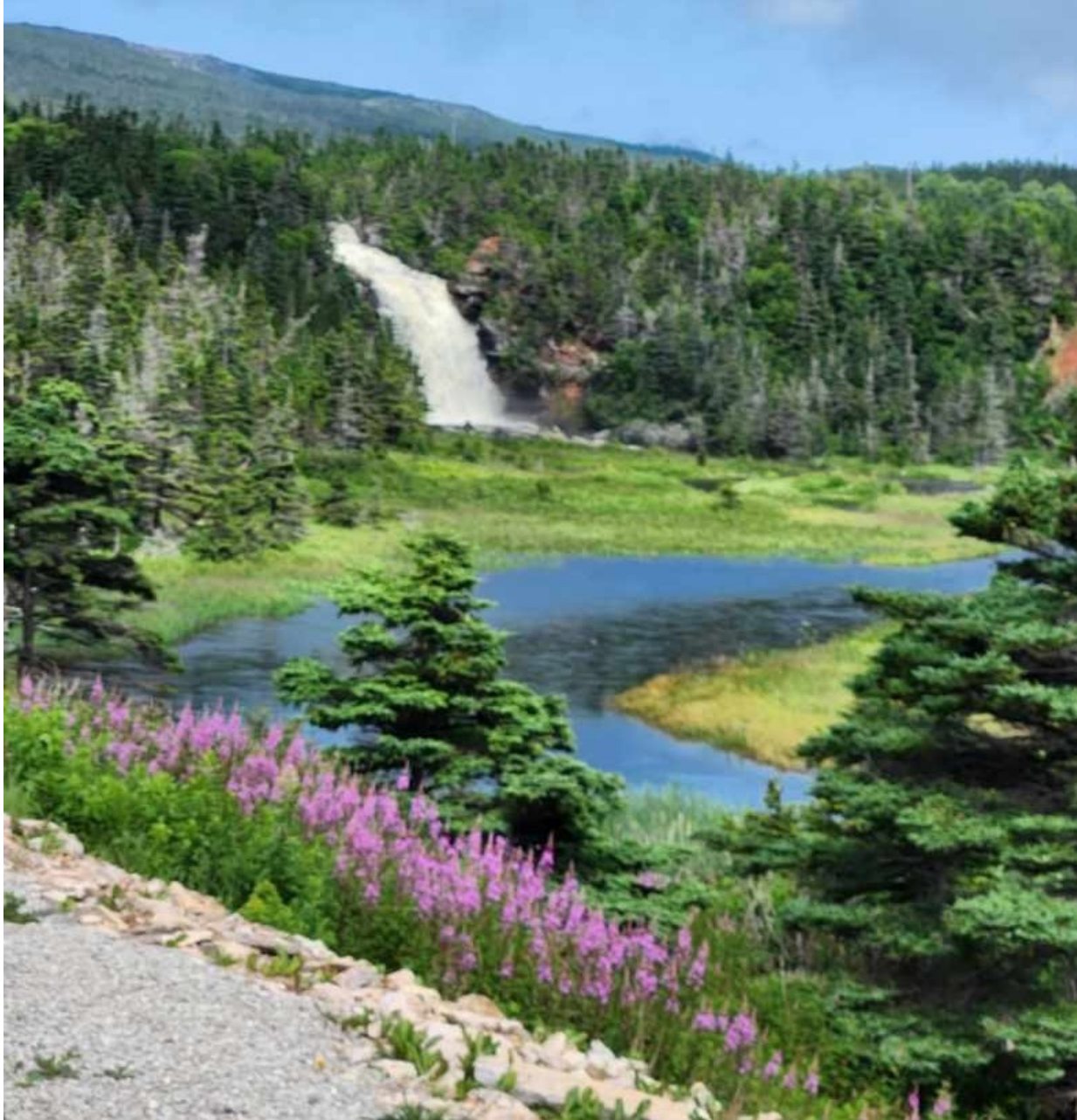
NETWORK NEWS

October 20024 Issue

From the lens of an individual currently living in secure, affordable and adequate housing:
" what a beautiful place to visit";

From the lens of an individual who is experiencing housing challenges and/or homelessness:
"what a beautiful place to pitch my tent - my new home."

The idea of living here, as opposed to visiting here, should be an individual's choice and not a forced reality!



Stephenville, NL

Network News

Strategic Plan 2025-2028

October 16-17 was dedicated to our board of directors and staff, joined by facilitator Carole Spicer from Spicer Facilitation, mapping out the Network's areas of focus over the next three years. It was a great planning session and we are very excited about our renewed direction which continues to strengthen our mission and values. We will continue to do great work and advocate for Rural and Remote NL.



Keep checking back to our website over the next couple weeks as we are hoping to have our new plan posted. We look forward to your feedback!

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

HIGHLIGHTING OUR REGIONS

Housing Stability Initiative Community Advisory Board



The Housing Stability Initiative (HSI) Community Advisory Board (CAB) covers Southwestern Newfoundland. The HSI was formed by various local organizations and service providers including, but not limited to, the Community Education Network, BSG Women's Center, NL Aboriginal Women's Network, Stephenville Lions Club, Western Health - Mental Health and Addictions, RCMP, Zion Pentecostal Church and Lifewise.

Under the HSI board, smaller subcommittees were formed to compliment the full representation of the CAB.

Some initiatives of their staff and board are:

1. **The Community Café:** Through partnerships with local groups, this cafe offers free hot meals to community members on the second Thursday of each month. In addition to this, the dedicated committee members meet every two months to discuss upcoming plans and share updates. Since the community cafe started, many other organizations have joined in and began their own cafes. Now in Stephenville, there is a free cafe every Thursday of the month!
2. **The Landing: Supportive Housing for Youth:** With funding from the Reaching Homes Rural and Remote Stream, this facility opened it's doors in February 2024. The Landing offers 7 private bedsitting units to youth ages 18-30 and provides 24/7 staff to support youth and teach them skills needed for living independently. Youth can stay up to 2 years (subject to funding continuation) and have access to wrap around supports and services based on identified needs.



If you would like more information about the Housing Stability Initiative Community Advisory Board, please reach out to, Kristy Collier, Housing Support Services Manager via email at cen.housing@gmail.com or by calling (709) 649-2533.

GOOD NEWS STORY

Central Receives Grant to Support Lunchtime Program.

The Central Housing and Homelessness Network (CHHN) and Violence Prevention South and Central (VPSC) identified a need in Grand Falls - Windsor and have been providing lunches to all five schools in the community over the past couple of years. This year, with the increasing demand and (at the time) no available funding, all schools were notified that the initiative was unable to continue into the 2024-2025 school year.

That was up until recently, when CHHN and VPSC received the wonderful news that they were granted a one-time amount of \$70,000 from the Department of Education. This money will help significantly in continuing with the much needed service and providing 65+ students with a lunchtime meal.

This initiative has and will continue to have a positive impact on the students' lives and the overall school environment.

NL Housing & Homelessness Network

Moving Forward



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join us for our annual gathering at our new office located at 83 King Street

Friday, November 29th at 10:00 a.m.

For in-person attendance, please R.S.V.P. with number of guests.

For virtual attendance, please forward us your email address to connect via Zoom.

Our contact email is outreachcoordinator@nlhhn.org

NLHHN'S New Website

With a new Executive Director, a new office location and a new centralized approach, NLHHN has a new website layout.

Check it out by clicking the following link:

Newfoundland Labrador Housing and Homelessness Network



What's Happening

National Housing Day

November 22nd

is a day of affordable housing advocacy to raise awareness about housing and homelessness.

Events are being held all across Canada and NLHHN would like to know what Rural and Remote NL is doing.

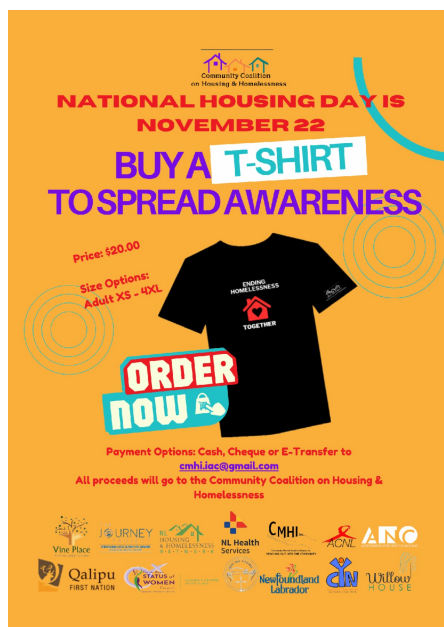
Share your plans with us, we want to tell the Network.

Email outreachcoordinator@nlhnn.org

For more information on National Housing Day click here [National Housing Day](#)



In Corner Brook, Newfoundland Labrador, the **Community Mental Health Initiative** is spreading awareness.



Support the Community Coalition on Housing and Homelessness
National Housing Day T-Shirts

Order must be in by **4:00 pm on Thursday, November 7, 2024**

Please check how many of each size(s) you need:

Extra Small _____
Extra Large _____

Small _____
2XL _____

Medium _____
3XL _____

Large _____
4XL _____

T-Shirts are \$20.00 Payment Options:
____ Cash at CMHI office (1st floor, Nolan Building, 133 Riverside Drive)
____ Cheque made payable to Community Mental Health Initiative or CMHI
____ E-transfer to cmhi.jec@gmail.com

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email Address: _____

Please send your order to cmhi.adm@gmail.com or fax to 709-634-2870
You will be contacted once t-shirts are available.

Thanks for your support!

Community Coalition on Housing & Homelessness is a coalition with representatives from:

If you would like more information, please reach out to cmhi.adm@gmail.com

Training Opportunities



A Coordinated Systems Response in St. John's
for Individuals with Complex Needs

Psychological Health & Safety
and
Burnout, Vicarious Trauma & Compassion Fatigue

November 13th, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Registration is open to all personnel working to assist individuals through their personal journey.
The sessions are offered, at no cost, through the collaboration of NLHHN, NAVNET and community partners.

Leslie Brown, Regional Director with Mental Health and Addictions
Stephanie Ryan, Clinical Lead of the Prevention and Promotion Team

[Register Here](#)

Funding Opportunities



Industry, Energy and Technology

The program can provide up to \$5000 to regional organizations and \$10,000 to provincial.

Check it out here to see if this is one your organization can avail of.
www.gov.nl.ca/iet/

If you have any questions, contact Jeff Lawlor at jefflawlor@gov.nl.ca



New Call for 2025-2026

Reaching Homes Rural and Remote Newfoundland and Labrador announced a call for applications.

Check out your eligibility at
www.rhrrnl.ca

Staff are available to answer any questions and to support the application process.

Ryan Johnson radmin@rhrrnl.ca
Jennifer Quigley jennifer@rhrrnl.ca

Regional Representation Network Board Of Directors



Our Network represents 10 Community Advisory Boards (CAB) across the rural and remote communities of NL.

Our goal is to have all ten CAB's represented around the table; complimented by five external representatives.

Do you have lived experiences with rural or remote housing insecurity/homelessness?

Are you interested in developing effective strategies that address the challenges of rural and remote housing and homelessness challenges?

If you are interested in representing your region; have a strong desire to address the housing and homelessness challenges or would like further information, please reach out to Sherri at executivedirector@nlhhn.org

How can you help in addressing the challenges of housing & homelessness?

[Donate](#)

No matter how much you can afford to give, as a one-off donation, through regular giving, or by fundraising for charity, your donation matters. Every donation received adds up and helps charities get to work and make a positive difference.

November 2024 Network Newsletter SUBMISSION

The deadline for this months submission is Monday, November 11th, 2024 @ 4:30PM

What can you submit?

- Send us any information related to upcoming training, programs, events, job postings, etc. that could be of interest to community organizations and their staff.

Submission Guidelines:

- Please submit either images and/or text exactly as you would like it to be included
 - Word count of 200 words or less
- Two images per entry such as logo or poster. Either PNG or JPG
- Between 480 - 650 pixel image width and file size less than 5MB
- We can not attach videos, PDF's, Word/Excel files

Submit entries via email to
outreachcoordinator@nlhhn.org

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