



## Network News

June/July 2025

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"Housing is a human right - not a privilege."

- *Anonymous*



Burin, NL  
Photo Submitted by Johnaton Poulin

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## Network Updates

What's new with the Network?

### Summer News

We know you look forward to NLHHN's monthly newsletter and recognize that June was

delayed. In the summer months, things in a non-profit world tend to move at a different pace. There are still great things happening; however, staff are taking time for family, vacations, rejuvenation and pre-planning.

Our Board of Directors and staff would like to stay connected to the many stakeholders that continue to do impactful work daily.

Over the summer months, we will provide two updates - Part 1 (June/July) and Part 2 (August/September).

We hope you have a safe and refreshing summer!

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## Moving Forward

What's next for the NLHHN?

### NLHHN 2025 Annual Conference: REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

#### From Navigation to Action: Strategies and Solutions for Success

Tuesday October 7th - Thursday October 9th  
Quality Hotel and Suites, Gander, NL



The event is intended for members of our Network, partnering organizations and other community stakeholders and individuals working towards addressing the housing and homelessness challenges faced in Rural and Remote Newfoundland and Labrador.

We are very excited to announce that registration is now open for attendees!

Please complete the details via the Eventbrite Registration link. Once registered, please contact the hotel directly to reserve a room in the room block.

[NLHHN 2025 Provincial Conference Tickets, Tue, Oct 7, 2025 at 4:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Registration cost is \$100 (plus fees and taxes). A portion of the registration fees are going to support bursaries for attendees with lived experience to ensure their experiences are heard. If you are interested in applying for a bursary to attend, please contact our Outreach Coordinator.

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Full itinerary to come

*We are looking forward to seeing you in October!*

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## Highlight of the Month

Showcasing our Network Members and their contributions

### **Happy Valley-Goose Bay Housing Coalition - HVGB**

Homelessness in Happy Valley-Goose Bay, a remote town in central Labrador, reflects a growing crisis shaped by geographic isolation, limited housing infrastructure, and complex social challenges.

The Happy Valley - Goose Bay Housing Coalition's mission is to eliminate homelessness by developing awareness, supporting quality and safe housing opportunities, and fostering collaborative solutions through a Housing First approach.



Check out the coalitions new website here: [Happy Valley-Goose Bay Housing & Homelessness Coalition](#)

You can contact the Coalition using the contact form located on their website!  
[Contact HVGB Housing & Homelessness Coalition](#)

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# What's Happening

Special events happening within our Network

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## Burin Peninsula Housing Forum

Hosted by Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador

Join us for a **facilitated, solutions-focused discussion** on housing in the Burin region — exploring **all types and levels of housing**, including public, private, student, and supportive housing.

- **Location:** College of the North Atlantic, Town of Burin
- **Date:** Wednesday, July 10, 2025
- **Time:** 10:00 AM – 3:30 PM
- **Lunch will be provided**

This forum will bring together municipal leaders, service providers, community organizations, and other stakeholders to discuss the current housing landscape, identify challenges, and collaborate on meaningful approaches to improve housing availability and affordability across the peninsula.

**Your voice matters. Let's work together to create strong, sustainable housing solutions for our communities.**

**Please RSVP by July 8, 2025.**

For more information or to register, contact:

- [bpower@municipalnl.ca](mailto:bpower@municipalnl.ca) | ☎ 709-727-4044

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## Qalipu First Nation

Home Energy Efficiency Initiative



**Qalipu**  
FIRST NATION



## **HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY** **INITIATIVE**



Qalipu First Nation "Home Energy Efficiency Initiative" aims to assist our members with reducing their reliance on wood and oil, while reducing the cost of home heating.

### **Eligible Expenses Include:**

- ✓ Heat Pump Unit
- ✓ Installation/Labour
- ✓ Other Materials

**ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2025**

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## **Thriving Non-Profits**

**Building Financial Resilience: Thriving Non-Profits Fall 2025 Applications Open Now!**

**THRIVING  
NON-PROFITS**  
cohort  
by: **SCALE**  
COLLABORATIVE

**Fall 2025 Cohort Applications  
Now OPEN!**

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Community Partners:



The nonprofit sector is navigating increasingly complex challenges. Rising community needs, limited resources, and increasing costs put unprecedented pressure on organizations. These challenges reveal the limitations of traditional approaches and create a powerful call for new thinking.

Applications are now open for Thriving Non-Profits Fall 2025 cohorts, a unique, capacity-building program that equips nonprofit leaders with new tools and strategies to build lasting financial resilience.

Over four months, participating organizations will explore nine revenue strategies, shift organizational culture, and develop a customized revenue diversification action plan.

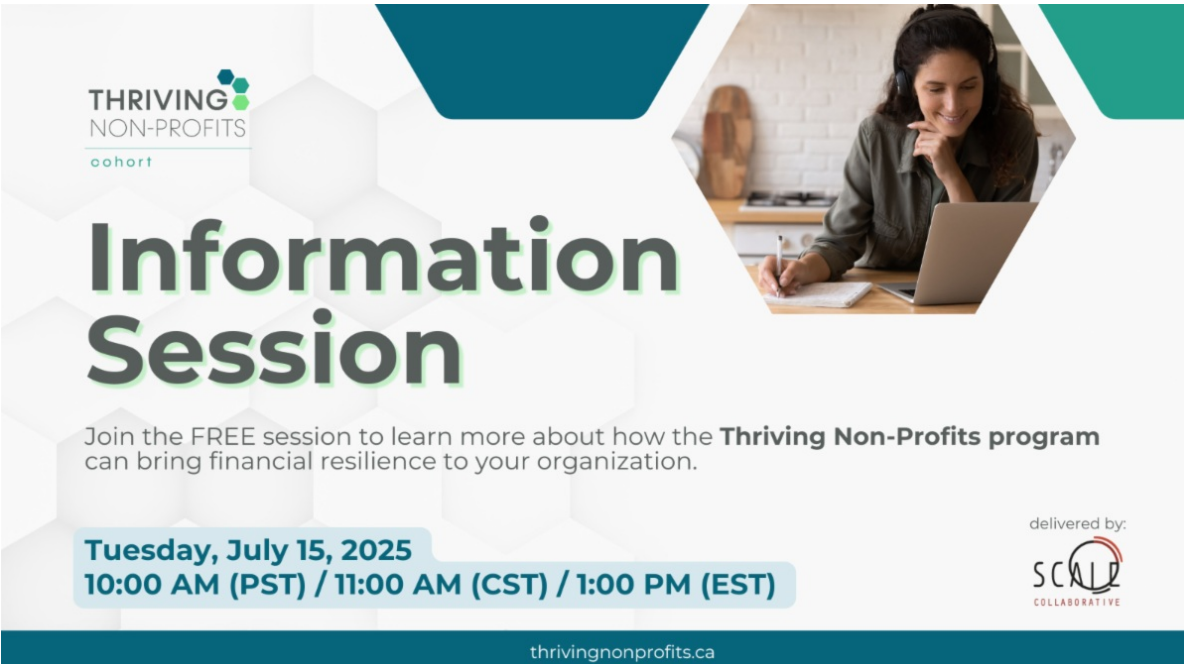
Backed by expert coaching, practical tools, and a vibrant community of peers, Thriving Non-Profits is rooted in the nonprofit sector's strength and creativity, and is designed to challenge nonprofit norms and spark bold new thinking.

What people are saying: *"I wish every nonprofit in the country had access to this magnificent program! We have completely changed our thinking about how to approach revenue generation. We are bursting with ideas and plans, and we are feeling very hopeful about the actions we can take to increase our organizational sustainability."* – Christine Hennebury, Storytellers of Canada.

Who should apply? The program is designed for nonprofit teams: Executive Directors, board members, and senior staff. Limited bursaries are available to organizations that face financial barriers. More detailed information about bursary options can be found in the application form.

The time to build a resilient future is now. Let's take action together!

- ☐ Learn more and apply: <https://www.thrivingnonprofits.ca/pages/cohorts>
- ☐ Register for the free information session on July 15 at 10:00 AM PDT:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/thriving-non-profits-information-session-tickets-1400321732999>



**THRIVING  
NON-PROFITS  
cohort**

# Information Session

Join the FREE session to learn more about how the **Thriving Non-Profits program** can bring financial resilience to your organization.

**Tuesday, July 15, 2025  
10:00 AM (PST) / 11:00 AM (CST) / 1:00 PM (EST)**

delivered by:  
**SCALP  
COLLABORATIVE**

thrivingnonprofits.ca

## Now Recruiting Host Employers - Fall 2025 ASCEND Cohort

Is your nonprofit organization looking to grow your team while supporting youth in your community?



The **ASCEND** (*Achieving Success through Community ENgagement & Development*) program is now accepting **employer applications** for our **Fall 2025 cohort**, and we'd love to partner with you. This project is funded by the Government of Canada's Youth Employment and Skills Strategy.

ASCEND connects youth aged 15–30 who are not in employment, education, or training (NEET) with meaningful, wage-subsidized work placements in the nonprofit sector across **Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island**.

Youth participants will complete 70 hours of virtual pre-employment training over three weeks, focused on building personal and professional skills before they begin their **19 – 21 week work placement** with a host employer.

### Know a youth who might be a great fit?

*If your organization already has an eligible youth (aged 15–30, not currently in school or working) in mind for a placement, you're welcome to refer them directly to the ASCEND program.* Simply encourage or help them complete the youth application form and let us know who the youth is in your application! If not, no problem—we'll do our best to match you with a youth participant from our applicant pool based on your organization's needs and the youth's interests and goals.

### As a host organization, you'll receive:

- ☐ Access to motivated, pre-trained youth ready to contribute
- ☐ Wage subsidies at 100% provincial minimum wage and mandatory employment-related costs (MERC)
- ☐ Ongoing support from the ASCEND team

☐ **Application deadline: August 31, 2025**

☐ **Pre-employment training begins: September 15, 2025**

Questions? Contact us at [ascend@cscnl.ca](mailto:ascend@cscnl.ca)

*Help shape the next generation of community leaders—become a host employer with ASCEND this fall!*

Explore ASCEND

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## Training Opportunities

Courses, Information Sessions and Presentations to help support our Network members

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### ANC - Cultural Intelligence Training

We are excited to be able to offer a virtual session with the Association for New Canadians 2025 Cultural Intelligence Workshop for our network members!

This **2-hour certificate training session** will be offered **FREE** of charge to individuals 16 years of age and older as this workshop focuses on Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism in the Workplace.

Date: Wednesday, July 23rd 2025

Time: 9:00am - 11:30am

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

Registration: <https://forms.gle/sBJpwzR7JX6XG9k99>

Check out more information about the session here: [ANC Cultural Intelligence Workshop](#)



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### The Homelessness Learning Hub

The Homelessness Hub offers material that you can review and learn at your own pace.

Materials are based on best practices and evidence-based research on homelessness.

**New Training Sessions include:**

**Homelessness Prevention: Advancing a Multi-Systems Approach**



- How to reflect on your role in preventing homelessness
- Ways to challenge assumptions and shift from emergency responses to prevention
- How to identify and change policies that reinforce that status quo
- Tools to unpack systemic drivers like poverty and discrimination
- Strategies to embed equity, inclusion and rights into prevention efforts

**Check out their learning material  
here**

## Funding Opportunities

Financial Benefits to help your organization

### Homelessness Reduciton Innovation Fund



The **Homelessness Reduction Innovation Fund (HRIF)** provides one-time grants for projects aimed at achieving measurable reductions in homelessness.

Communities will be able to submit an Expression of Interest for the next round of HRIF between July 14 and August 15.

Join one of our upcoming information sessions to walk through eligibility, frequently asked questions, and what to expect from the Expression of Interest and Application process.

- English Session: July 9, 2025 at 2 PM ET – **[Register here]**
- French Session: July 10, 2025 at 2 PM ET – **[Register here]**
- Indigenous-led Community Organizations & IH CEs session led by the National Indigenous Homelessness Council: July 16, 2025 at 2 PM ET – **[Learn More and Register]**

All sessions will be recorded and shared with those who register, so even if you cannot attend live, you'll still have access to the materials.

Key dates are listed on the **HRIF webpage**. Make sure to check back for additional information as we get closer to launch.

The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation offers 24 grant and loan options. The eligibility, purpose and availability all vary. There are funds available for building community housing facilities, repairs and upgrades to existing shelters, First Nation community specific and research and development stages!

Take a look at what they have available to help your projects.

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## Regional Representation

Network and Board Of Directors



Our Community Advisory Boards are always growing and changing and looking for fresh new perspectives from professionals, Living and Lived Experiences or Community Volunteers.

We have multiple areas that will be starting their recruiting process in the coming weeks and months. Now is the time to start thinking about if your experience or role may be of benefit to the housing and homeless sector in rural and remote NL.

Stay tuned for more details to come directly from the Community Advisory Boards themselves.

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

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.

[Donate](#)

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# Summer Newsletter Part 2: Network Newsletter Submissions

The deadline for this months submission is  
Tuesday, September 2nd @ 4:00PM

## What can you submit?

- Send us any information related to upcoming trainings, staff or volunteer highlights and shoutouts, 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](mailto:outreachcoordinator@nlhhn.org)

Or by filling out our new form!

**Newsletter Submissions**

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