

Together Forward: Your September Edition

This month, we're putting the spotlight on recovery, resilience, and opportunities for growth. From mobilizing support for NL's wildfire recovery fund to sharing funding programs, policy updates, and sector opportunities, September is about rebuilding stronger communities together. With events like Coffee's On, the Catalyst Capital Roadshow, and the Community of Practice series, there are plenty of ways to connect, learn, and lead.

Dive in and explore what's happening this month!

Rebuilding Stronger, Together











Learn more and donate today at wildfirenl.ca

The **2025 NL Forest Fires Recovery Fund** is dedicated to helping communities rebuild stronger than ever. With the fires under control, it's time to focus on recovery, resilience, and restoring what matters most.

- 100% of donations go directly to local recovery efforts
- Decisions are made locally, by those who know their communities best
- ♠ Funding flows directly to local organizations leading the work on the ground

By supporting the Fund, you're helping restore vital infrastructure, strengthen firefighting capacity, and empower community organizations to make recovery possible.

Donate Today

Upcoming CSCNL Events

Social Enterprise Certification: Instilling Impact

Join us on September 9 at 2:30 pm NST for Episode 8 of the Community of Practice (CoP) PeerUp Series. Niamh O'Sullivan, Manager of Social Enterprise and Networks at Buy Social Canada, will share insights on the value of certification, the step-by-step process, and how it can strengthen your organization's impact.

Register here





Coffee's On: September Edition

Join the conversation!

This month, Lindsey Hynes will host a session with NL Health Services, the NL Smokers' Helpline, and the Alliance for the Control of Tobacco. Together, we'll discuss tobacco and vaping support for individuals and communities, and highlight resources available province-wide.

Save Your Spot

Catalyst Capital Roadshow: Fueling Innovation Through Funding

.... We're hitting the road!

The Social Innovation Lab, in partnership with Fairlead (Centre for Social Enterprise) and GoParity, is travelling across Newfoundland & Labrador this September.

Join us in St. John's, Gander, Corner Brook, St. Anthony, and Happy Valley-Goose Bay to explore how community finance can fuel innovation and support social purpose organizations across the province.



Join the Roadshow



Inclusion in Action: NVOLVE at Tech in the Park

Proud moment for CSCNL and NVOLVE. Together with TechNest, newcomer volunteers powered Tech in the Park. This is what inclusion in action looks like — community, innovation, and impact.

Grants & Funding



Enabling Accessibility Fund – Youth Innovation Component

Youth Accessibility Leaders (ages 15–30) can help identify and address barriers in workplaces and community spaces. Info sessions: Sept 24 & 26.

Indigenous Sport for Social Development Projects

Funding from Canadian Heritage for sport initiatives that promote social development in Indigenous communities.

Local Food Infrastructure Fund (Small Projects)

Supports projects that improve access to safe, healthy, and culturally diverse food across Canada.

Get Details

See Program

Learn More



Community Addictions Prevention & Mental Health Promotion Grants

Supports projects focused on addictions prevention, suicide prevention, and positive mental health. Grants up to \$10,000.

Apply Now

Affordable Rental Housing Program (ARHP)

Funding support for creating affordable rental units across NL. Applications open Sept 1–Nov 30, 2025.

Community Garden Support Program

Up to \$750 per eligible applicant for new or existing gardens. Open to community groups, municipalities, local service districts, and schools. First-come, first-served.

Explore

Get Details





NLFC Co-operative Outreach Fund

Travel funding for co-ops to attend meetings, outreach, and development activities. Up to \$1,000 per year, while funds last.

Learn More

AECU Community Grant Program

Funding community enhancement, sustainability, education, co-operatives, and Indigenous culture. From Sept 1, deadline Oct 10. Five grants of \$8,000 each.

More Info

Programs & Opportunities

Well-Being Week



Well-Being Week 2025 Sept 21–27

A province-wide week to learn, engage, and take



Food Forward 2025 Sept 12–13



ALL IN Event 2025 Sept 18–19

action for better health and quality of life. Groups, communities, and organizations are invited to host events and be featured on wellbeingnl.ca.

To list your event, email info@wellbeingnl.ca

Learn More

Food Forward is back for its 5th edition at the St. John's Convention Centre! This national platform brings together leaders in food security, tech, and community innovation to explore how we can build fair, resilient, and future-ready food systems.

Join the Active Living
Leadership Network at
Manuels River Community
Centre to collaborate on
enhancing active living across
NL.

Free event — membership required.

Get Involved

Register here







CHRA National Congress on Housing & Homelessness

Join housing professionals from across Canada for three days of learning, networking, and sector collaboration—featuring workshops, plenaries, mobile tours, and keynote sessions. This spring, the CHRA Congress is coming to St. John's — April 21–23, 2026.

Save the Date

Governance & Privacy in the Non-Profit Sector

Join IAPP St. John's on Sept. 26 (12:30–1:30 PM NL) for a free session with Sarah Bryne and Janet Carpenter (Stewart McKelvey) on governance and privacy principles for non-profits, including oversight, safeguarding information, and responding to privacy and cybersecurity challenges.

Register here

A Dollar a Day: Changemaker Awards

Know a frontline program making a real difference in mental health or addiction services? Nominate them for the Changemaker Awards from the Dollar A Day Foundation—funding innovative, impactful programs across Canada. Hurry—nominations close September 26.

Nominate a Program



Tombolo Community Connections Mentorship Program

The Tombolo Multicultural Festival NL has launched a new mentorship program to connect newcomers, immigrants, and refugees with mentors who can foster



Youth Opportunity at the YMCA

The YMCA is launching Be the Program, a free initiative for youth ages 14–24 to build healthy relationships, learn about consent and communication, and create a community action project. Runs Tuesdays, Sept 16 – Nov 18 at YMCA St. John's.

Be a Mentee

Tools & Resources







Need a Commissioner of Oaths?

CSCNL offers free commissioner of oaths services by appointment for volunteers and staff in the community sector.

Pro Bono Coaching for Nonprofits

ICF Atlantic connects registered nonprofits with experienced coaches across Atlantic Canada. Free professional coaching to help staff strengthen skills and impact.

Boosting Online Filing in Canada's Charitable Sector

Charities Directorate is hosting a webinar to help charities strengthen online filing and compliance. Gain insights, practical tips, and tools to improve digital submissions.

Book Today

Apply Now

Save your Spot



Share Your Voice

Housing & Homelessness Input Needed

The Community Housing Transformation Centre and NL Housing & Homelessness Network invite nonprofit and co-op housing providers to complete the Organizational Compass, a short self-assessment that will help shape services, funding, and training for the 2025 NL Housing & Homelessness Network Annual Conference.

Policy Matters

Want to stay on top of policy matters? Below is a round-up of recent government announcements, reports, and invitations for public feedback that may impact our sector:

- 2025 Living Wages Report NL, NS, and PEI: too many workers still struggle to make ends meet → Read the report
- Education Accord NL Final report released, outlining a 10-year vision with 110 calls to transformation → Read more

- Employment Supports Available For individuals and employers impacted by Conception Bay North wildfires → Learn more
- Provincial Cabinet Update New executive appointments announced → Read details
- Public Service Leadership Changes Executive Council announcements → See update
- Forestry & Agriculture Latest program and sector updates released → Read more
- Executive Council News Release Recent highlights from August 25 → Explore here
- Health Initiatives New updates from the Department of Health → See release

Careers in the Sector

- Regional Housing Capacity-Building Officer Municipalities NL (Eastern Region, NL)
- Workforce Events Lead Econext (St. John's, NL)
- * Business Development Specialist Quidi Vidi Village Artisan Studios (St. John's, NL)
- School Food Program Coordinator NunatuKavut Community Council (NCC)
- Games Manager 2026 NL Summer Games (Corner Brook, NL)
- * Managing Producer PerSIStence Theatre Company (St. John's, NL)
- Cultural Support Worker First Light (St. John's, NL)
- Social Enterprise Director Trailhead Development Company Inc. (TDC) (Parson's Pond)
- **Current Openings Stela's Circle**
- Current Openings Association for New Canadians

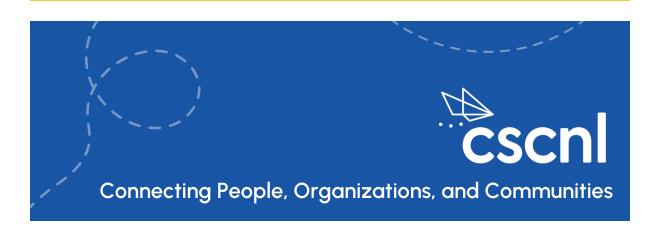
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