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SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

Building Stronger Communities Through Learning, Leadership, and Opportunity

As we move into September, Newfoundland and Labrador's nonprofit sector continues to demonstrate its strength through collaboration, innovation, and community leadership. This edition of our newsletter features opportunities to learn, connect, and grow, along with resources and information to support the important work happening in communities across the province. We hope you'll find something that inspires new ideas, strengthens your organization, or helps advance your mission.

Thriving Non-Profits in Action: OAWA's Revenue Diversification Journey



2 cohorts

28 organizations

boosting their journey to revenue
diversification and financial
sustainability



Office to Advance Women Apprentices'
Journey to Built Collective

WITH: LORI LEDREW
Executive Director

SEP
14

11:00
AM (NST)

Online



Join CSCNL on **September 14 at 11:00 a.m. NDT** for a special webinar celebrating the release of our **Thriving Non-Profits Impact Report**.

Learn how organizations are using revenue diversification to strengthen sustainability and hear directly from **Lori LeDrew of the Office to Advance Women Apprentices NL (OAWA)** about the development of **Built Collective**, a social enterprise creating employment and training opportunities for women in skilled trades.

[Register Here](#)

Meet Fora: Network for Change



NETWORK FOR CHANGE

Informal Info Session



September 21 | 1:30-2:30 pm



Come meet the Fora team, learn about their work, and explore opportunities to **connect** and **collaborate**.



In person at CSCNL

25 Anderson Avenue · Downstairs Boardroom
Space is limited · Registration required



Youth Leadership · Equity on Boards · Equitable Governance

CSCNL is pleased to host **Fora: Network for Change** for an informal networking and information session.

For over a decade, Fora has empowered young women, genderqueer, and nonbinary leaders aged 18-29 to build leadership skills, strengthen networks, and participate in decision-making spaces. Participants will also learn about Fora's **Equity on Boards Initiative**, which supports nonprofits in building more equitable and inclusive governance practices.



September 21, 2026



1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.



CSCNL Boardroom, 25 Anderson Avenue

Space is limited.

[Register Here](#)

Disability Confidence Workshops

CSCNL is partnering with the **Canadian Council on Rehabilitation and Work (CCRW)** to offer two practical leadership workshops this fall.

Disability-Confident Leadership for Employers and HR

Designed for employers, supervisors, managers, HR professionals, and team leads, this workshop explores practical approaches to workplace accessibility, inclusive communication, accommodations, and barrier reduction.

 October 8, 2026

 Virtual

 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

[Register](#)

Fostering a Mentally Healthy Workplace: Practical Leadership Strategies for Managers

This interactive session helps organizational leaders understand psychosocial workplace risks and build supportive workplace practices that promote mental wellbeing.

 October 15, 2026

 CSCNL, 25 Anderson Avenue

 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

[Register](#)

Social Innovation Community of Practice Good Governance, Stronger Safeguards



Community of Practice: PeerUp Series

Episode 14:

Good Governance, Stronger Safeguards: Fraud Prevention for Community Organization Boards

OCT
6 | 10:00
AM (NST)

 Online

WITH: CHRISTINE SNOW

Program Manager @ CSCNL



Strong governance starts with effective oversight. Join governance and financial accountability expert **Christine Snow** for an accessible discussion on fraud prevention, board oversight, risk management, and practical accountability measures.

 October 6, 2026

 Online

Register

ASCEND Fall 2026 Cohort Application Deadline Approaching



The deadline to apply for the upcoming **ASCEND Fall 2026 Cohort** is fast approaching. ASCEND (Achieving Success through Community ENgagement & Development) connects youth aged 15-30 who are not currently employed, in school, or participating in training with paid work placements in nonprofit organizations. Participating employers receive support to provide meaningful work experience while helping youth develop valuable skills and connections within the community sector.

Youth participants complete pre-employment training before beginning placements with nonprofit organizations throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

 **Application Deadline:** September 4, 2026

 **Pre-Employment Training Begins:** September 28, 2026

 Learn More: <http://www.joinascend.ca>

 Questions: ascend@cscnl.ca

Program Associate (ASCEND)



CSCNL is seeking a highly organized and detail-oriented **Program Associate (ASCEND)** to join our team as a temporary full-time maternity/parental leave replacement.

This position is ideally suited for someone with strong administrative and financial coordination skills who is passionate about helping young people succeed. The successful candidate will support the day-to-day administration of the ASCEND program, including participant financial supports, documentation, reporting, reimbursements, record keeping, and general program coordination.

ASCEND is a youth employment and workforce development initiative that supports young people facing barriers to employment, education, and training. Through individualized supports, work experiences, community partnerships, and wraparound services, ASCEND helps participants build confidence, develop skills, and move toward meaningful employment and education opportunities.

More Info



Let It Be Over

Maytree's latest publication examines the continued impacts of pandemic benefit debt recovery on low-income Canadians and calls for policy changes to reduce financial hardship among vulnerable populations.

[Read the Report](#)

Workplace Gender-Based Violence Survey

Violence Prevention South & Central (VPSC) is conducting a provincial environmental scan to better understand how workplaces across Newfoundland and Labrador prevent and respond to gender-based violence, harassment, and related behaviours.

Input from employers and employees will help identify challenges, best practices, and opportunities to strengthen prevention efforts and support the development of a practical Workplace Gender-Based Violence Toolkit.

The survey is voluntary and only takes a few minutes to complete.

[Take Survey](#)

Learning & Resources



Climate Action for Nonprofit Leaders

Climate change is increasingly affecting nonprofit organizations and the communities they serve. This beginner-friendly course helps nonprofit professionals, board members, and volunteers understand climate impacts and develop practical organizational responses.

 Course Dates: October 13 – November 10, 2026
 Early Bird Registration: \$125 until September 13

Course Information:



Multilingual Volunteering Resources for Newcomers

Refugee 613 and Volunteer Ottawa have developed multilingual volunteer resources available in 16 languages.

The materials introduce newcomers to volunteering in Canada and explain how volunteering can help individuals build skills, connections, and community engagement.

[Learn more](#)

CRA's CVITP and Benefits Outreach Program

Benefits and credits can make a big difference to people in your community. The CRA's CVITP and Benefits Outreach Program can help people and the organizations that serve them, learn about the benefits of tax-filing, what benefits and credits they may be eligible for, and the supports available to help with completing an income tax and benefits return.

[Learn more](#)

[Learn More](#)

Grants & Funding



The Government of Canada is investing in organizations that help individuals facing barriers access disability benefits.

Eligible organizations can apply through the **Social Development Partnerships Program – Disability Component**.

This funding opportunity aims to fund organizations that will facilitate greater access to disability benefits for persons with disabilities and their families.

[Apply Now](#)



KidSport NL

The fall sports season is here and **KidSport Newfoundland and Labrador** is now accepting applications.

KidSport provides financial assistance to families facing barriers to participation in organized sport, helping children access registration, equipment, and other associated costs. The program aims to ensure all children have the opportunity to participate, build confidence, develop new skills, and enjoy the benefits of sport.

[Apply Now](#)



The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's **Active Living and Wellness Fund** supports projects that encourage active living, healthy eating, wellness, holistic healing, recreation, and physical activity.

Funding is available for initiatives, infrastructure projects, and equipment that help improve the health and wellbeing of communities across the province.

 **Application Deadline:**
September 29, 2026

[Apply Now](#)

Sector Events



Recreation NL Active Living Leadership Network

Registration is open for **ALL IN! Event 2026: Naturally Engrained**, taking place September 17-18 in Mount Pearl.

The event will bring together active living professionals and community leaders from across Newfoundland and Labrador.

[Register](#)

Canadian Mental
Health Association
Newfoundland and Labrador

CMHA-NL Training

As summer nears its end CMHA-NL is gearing up for another busy fall of programs and mental health trainings. To that effect, I'm writing this morning to advise of several FREE upcoming mental health trainings that may be of benefit to your staff, clients, and partner organizations.

On Sept 10, (World Suicide Awareness Day), there will be a free safeTALK happening in GFW from 4:30 to 8:30 PM at First Step Home, 83 King Street. Participants must be 15+ to attend. The link to register for this training is [here](#)

There will also be 2 virtual Mental Health First Aid classes offered under our Resiliency Project for communities affected by wildfires. These classes run from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Participants must be 18+ to attend.

The first is on Sept 24 - [Register](#)

And another virtual MHFA is on Oct 19 - [Register](#)

There will also be two FREE ASIST trainings taking place in GFW and Gander.

The GFW ASIST is scheduled for Sept 28 and 29. Participants must be 16+ to attend and the link to register is [here](#)

Volunteer & Board Opportunities



Lifewise Board of Directors

Lifewise is seeking individuals passionate about mental health, substance use health, advocacy, and community leadership to join its Board of Directors.

Contact: admin@lifewisenl.ca



Cal & Louise LeGrow Charitable Youth Foundation

Organizations interested in strengthening governance and leadership are encouraged to review the latest board recruitment opportunities currently posted through the sector.

[Apply](#)

First Light Community Stewards

First Light is seeking members of the urban Indigenous community to join its Advocacy Council as Community Stewards. Community Stewards will help shape advocacy priorities and provide guidance grounded in community and cultural knowledge.

Deadline: August 31, 2026



YMCA Help & Hope for Seniors Program

The Marystown YMCA is recruiting youth volunteers to connect with older adults through activities including:

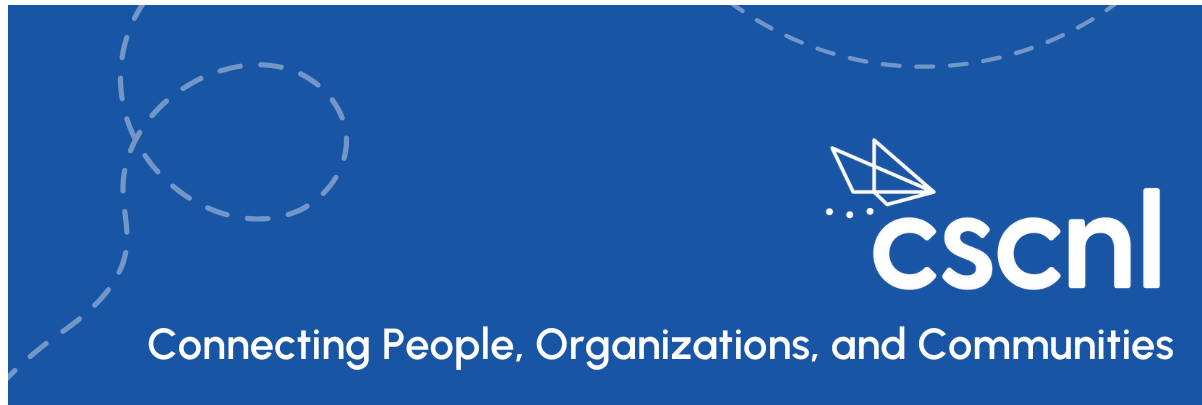
- Technology support
- Crafts
- Games
- Cooking activities
- Social engagement

[Learn More](#)

Careers in the Sector

- ★ [Program Associate \(ASCEND\) - CSCNL](#)
- ★ [Economic Immigration Officer \(West Coast\) - Horizon TNL](#)
- ★ [Administrator - Ukrainian National Federation Avalon Branch](#)
- ★ [Youth Peer Support Workers - Association for New Canadians \(ANC\)](#)
- ★ [Settlement Social Worker \(Maternity Leave Coverage\) - Association for New Canadians \(ANC\)](#)
- ★ [Catering Chef & Food Services Instructor - Stella's Circle / Hungry Heart](#)
- ★ [Volunteer Coordinator - Lionel Kelland Hospice](#)
- ★ [Personal Care Assistant \(Full-Time\) - Lionel Kelland Hospice](#)
- ★ [Museum Guidelines Project Coordinator - Museum Association of Newfoundland and Labrador \(MANL\)](#)
- ★ [Iceberg Festival Position \(Tourism, Marketing & Partnerships\) - St. Anthony & Area Iceberg Festival](#)
- ★ [Manager, Shorenet and Convening - Shorefast Institute for Place-Based Economies](#)
- ★ [Shorenet Education Lead - Shorefast Institute for Place-Based Economies](#)
- ★ [Financial Innovation Analyst - Shorefast Institute for Place-Based Economies](#)
- ★ [Brighter Futures Family Resource Centre Opportunities - Brighter Futures Family Resource Centre \(email Emily Mallay for more information\)](#)
- ★ [Youth Ventures Program Coordinator - Ukrainian National Federation Avalon Branch](#)
- ★ [Youth Ambassador \(5 Positions\) - Association for New Canadians \(ANC\)](#)
- ★ [Housing Cultural Support Worker \(Casual/Call-In\) - First Light](#)
- ★ [Finance and Administration Coordinator - YWCA St. John's](#)

Have a *nonprofit job to share*? If you're a board director, hiring manager, or recruiter, [contact us](#) to have it featured in our newsletter.



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