



HOUSING NEWS



Who Would You Nominate for a Spirit of Housing Award?

Take a moment to nominate non-profit housing staff, board members, tenants, or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the quality of housing. This year the Spirit of Housing Awards will be presented at the Masonic Memorial Centre in Winnipeg on October 17th.

Deadline for nominations is August 31, 2023

[Make Nomination Here](#)

Join MNPHA's Board of Directors!



The MNPHA Board of Directors will have two vacancies at the upcoming Annual General Meeting, October 17, 2023. The Board consists of representatives of MNPHA's Housing Provider members, nominated by a member organization and elected by all voting members.

MNPHA's Board is responsible for the policies, strategic plan, budget, and governance of your association.

Board meetings are quarterly, with an Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Advocacy Committee, and a Conference Planning Committee as standing committees that Board members are encouraged to participate in. Terms are three years, to a maximum of two consecutive terms.

MNPHA is specifically seeking board members who represent:

- Seniors housing organizations
- organizations outside of Winnipeg
- Indigenous-led housing providers
- and/or people with experience and knowledge of media and government relations

To nominate yourself or someone else, please send nominations to execdir@mnpha.com describing the nominee's experience, current role, and interest in serving on the board by September 25, 2023.

RTB Announces Rent Increase for 2024

The Manitoba Government has announced the first rent increase in three years. Effective January 1, 2024 landlords can increase rent by three percent. The largest increase since 1991. A notice to increase rent must meet the requirements of The Residential Tenancies Act. The branch provides [Notice of Rent Increase](#) forms for landlords to use. In most circumstances, rents can only be increased once a year. Tenants must be given proper written notice at least three months before a rent increase takes effect.



The guideline applies to most rented residential apartments, single rooms, houses and duplexes. Some units are exempt from Part 9 of The Residential Tenancies Act and do not have to follow the annual rent increase guideline. These are:

- units renting for \$1,615.00 or more per month
- various types of social housing
- rental units owned and operated by, or for, provincial, municipal, or federal governments
- rental units in buildings first occupied after March 2005
- not-for-profit life lease units
- cooperative units
- approved rehabilitated rental units

Landlords can apply for a larger increase if they can demonstrate that the guideline amount will not cover cost increases they have incurred. To find out more [click here](#).

Become a Council Member of the National Housing Council

This is an unique opportunity to help improve housing outcomes for Canadians. As a Council Member you would advice on how to improve the NHS, how to progressively realize the right to adequate housing in Canada and improve housing outcomes for Canadians.



The Council will be representative of Canada's diversity. The Minister will also consider the importance of the Council's representation of:

- People who are members of vulnerable groups
- People with lived expertise of housing need as well as those with lived expertise of homelessness
- People who have experience in a housing-related field
- People who have expertise in human rights

Council Members will perform their duties and functions on the Council on a part-time basis for a three year period with a possible extension. Deadline to apply is August 22, 2023.

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EDUCATION AND EVENTS



EDUCATION DAY 2023

Join us Tuesday, October 17th for a day of non-profit housing education, our AGM followed by the Spirit of Housing Awards Dinner. Be inspired by members from across our province, learn the latest trends in our sector and celebrate the accomplishments of the past year. Register Now!



Education Day - October 17th

Tuesday, October 17th is a day of non-profit housing education, our Annual General Meeting followed by the

Since the Building Partnerships conference was presented in partnership with the CHRA congress in April, we'll be combining our other annual events into a day for members to gather, learn, attend our AGM and celebrate each others' accomplishments at the Spirit of Housing Awards Dinner.

All are taking place at the Masonic Memorial Centre at 420 Corydon Ave in Winnipeg, a location that is accessible, has free parking and features food by WOW catering.

Join us for a day to learn the latest trends in our sector. To be inspired by ideas from across our province. Together we find motivation and encouragement throughout these events.

Registration open now!



BUILDING BOARDS LEVEL 1

Training specifically designed for Non-Profit Housing Board Members. Updating knowledge and improving the skills required to govern their organization effectively.

Registrants complete the self-guided training online from October 1 - 31

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Calling all Board Members! MNPHA has designed a board training program, tailored to board members serving the non-profit housing sector. Whether you're new to non-profit board governance, new to a housing-focused organization, or experienced in both, this custom-designed training for the non-profit housing sector in Manitoba is for you.

Level 1 has three modules delivered by Google Classrooms. The self-directed online course takes about 4-5 hours to complete, with videos, reading, and assignments, and you will have 1 month, from October 1-31, to access the materials. Each module covers a foundational topic of board governance and includes tools that participants can put to use in their own organization. Level 2, the final in the series, will be available in the new year. All level 1 graduates will be invited to register.

The Board Training series was thoughtfully created by Rolande Kirouac of High Achievement Training.

[Register](#)



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Non-Profit Community Pest Control Grant Program

Grants are available for non-profits to address pest infestations in two streams. The first stream is for non-profit organizations that require financial assistance to undertake education, treatment, and prevention activities required to eliminate pests. The second is the Homelessness Support stream which supports non-profits group working with tenants for whom managing pests is a barrier to acquiring or maintaining housing. The program receives applications on an ongoing basis until the program budget is fully committed.

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NEW HOUSING PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM

Working in Non-Profit Housing requires a broad skill set. Our network of peers from diverse backgrounds in housing can help those new to the sector thrive.

Assiniboine Credit Union is sponsoring New Housing Professionals for up to \$1000 to attend networking events, educational workshops, and government relations events.

Learn more at mnpha.com



New Housing Professional Program

MNPHA created a new program to provide those who are new to the non-profit housing sector the opportunity to connect, get involved and get the tool set they need to succeed.

Assiniboine Credit Union is the exclusive sponsor of New Housing Professional Program. ACU will cover the cost of subsidized attendance at events for participants (up to \$1,000/participant per year). In addition, ACU's team will provide financial training and/or analysis for the New Housing Professional participants, based on their self-identified needs upon program registration.

The program is open to those who have been in the housing sector for 5 years or less, and who are working at a MNPHA member organization.

Deadline August 31st the program starting in the Fall.

Apply Now

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