

#### **HOUSING NEWS**



# New Democrats emerge with enough seats to form majority government: What did they say about housing?

The NDP was elected to form Manitoba's next government Tuesday night, with leader Wab Kinew as Manitoba's first First Nations premier. MNPHA will be reaching out to the new Minister responsible for housing once it is announced.

#### Below is a Summary of the NDP Campaign Promises Related to Housing:

New Development (MNPHA recommendation: create 10,000 units over 10 years)

- Invest millions to create significantly more rent-geared-to-income units across Manitoba in partnership with the federal government, Indigenous governments, as well as municipalities across the province. No specific target named
- Remove the PST from new rental builds

**Repairs and Capital Funding** (MNPHA recommendation: provide \$1.5b in funding over 10 years with a stream of funding developed for and by Indigenous-led housing organization)

- Invest in upkeep and maintenance of Manitoba Housing properties
- Bring in a Ministerial approval process to ensure better oversight over affordable non-profit housing sales

**Supports within Housing** (MNPHA recommendation: invest in supports in housing, with a target of 1 tenant support worker per 100 units and supportive housing for seniors and people at risk of homelessness)

• End chronic homelessness in two terms by connecting people with housing and mental health supports (Houston-style housing-first model)

#### Other campaign promises relevant to housing:

- · Freeze hydroelectric rates for one year
- Ban surge pricing to save money on Hydro bills
- Increase the Renters Tax Credit to \$700
- Bring in stronger rent control
- Introduce legislation to prevent landlords from applying for unnecessary and large rent increases and passing along increases that have not been approved by the Residential Tenancies Branch,
- Prevent landlords from revoking or reducing rent discounts within the first year an above-guideline increase is implemented

# 5,000 affordable housing units lost10,000 on the line as non-profits lose subsidies

Watch the full video at CBC News

Thousands of social housing units could land in private hands as operating agreements between the Manitoba government and non-profit organizations expire, creating a funding gap that may force organizations to sell buildings they can no longer afford.



In Manitoba, there are 200 non-profit housing organizations, and they provide about half of the province's social housing. Many of these organizations signed an agreement in the '80s and '90s that allowed the non-profits to own and operate a building, while for the duration of the mortgage on the building, the provincial government provided a subsidy so they could offer units to low-income tenants. Read more

## Request to Interview Non-Profit Housing Providers

The Antigonish Affordable Housing Society is interested in learning from other non-profits and community housing providers about how you measure impact, challenges you've faced and what success factors you've identified. Your input will be especially valuable to their evaluation and to future planning by similar organizations such as yours.



Published literature is thin regarding non-profit housing evaluation in general, it's especially limited regarding assessment of environmental benefits. Findings will be shared with the broader not-for-profit housing sector, including your organization, funders and policy-makers, as well as help guide AAHS decisions made in the future.

AAHS recently completed the first phase of a developmental evaluation to assess impact of their threepart mission (financial, social and environmental sustainability) and to identify potential improvements in our practices and systems.

For information about the objectives and interview questions contact Dr. Sarah Bowen directly at EvaluationAAHS@gmail.com

#### **EDUCATION DAY EVENTS**



Education Day is a combination of workshops, presentations, our AGM, Spirit of Housing Awards and plenty of networking opportunities. It's a day you won't want to miss. All happening on Tuesday, October 17th at Masonic Memorial Centre, 420 Corydon Ave in Winnipeg. Review the full agenda here

Register Now!

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 from 12:30pm - 1:30pm

MNPHA's 2023 AGM will be held during our Education Day at the Masonic Centre. Register to attend in person or virtually.





#### **Annual General Meeting**

Join us for our Annual General Meeting (during lunch at Education Day), to hear what the Manitoba Non-Profit Housing Association achieved throughout the past year, plans for the year ahead, to vote on the financial statements, and vote for your Board of Directors. <u>Download the AGM Agenda here</u>. The event will be held in person, at the Masonic Memorial Centre in Winnipeg (420 Corydon Ave.), and using the zoom platform for those who prefer to attend virtually. Attending Education Day? You will automatically be registered for the AGM. We have created two other options to assure the meeting is accessible.

If not, you can <u>attend the lunch and AGM</u>only from 12:00-1:30pm at Masonic Memorial Centre, or virtually using the zoom platform from 12:30-1:30pm.

Register Now



#### SPIRIT OF HOUSING AWARDS DINNER

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 6PM - 8PM 420 CORYDON AVENUE, WINNIPEG

At the annual Awards Dinner we'll shine a light on the achievements of the past year and a celebrate the leaders and innovators that have gone above and beyond to better non-profit housing in Manitoba



Join us for a dinner catered by the award-winning French-Canadian celebrity chef Luc Jean at the Spirit of Housing Awards Ceremony. We'll shine a light on the achievements of the past year and celebrate the leaders and innovators of our communities. These exceptional individuals have gone above and beyond to better our communities. It takes a big heart to work in housing.

Register Now

#### **FALL EDUCATION SESSIONS**

We're pleased to present our fall education sessions. Each offered at cost and is designed specifically for the challenges of your work in non-profit housing, whether working as a board member, management, admin or front link. In addition to the information below we have also created a outline of our events for you to share with your organization.

**Education Sessions Overview** 

Board Governance Training - Today's Non-Profit Board Challenges



Learn how to be a part of a successful board. Become a leader in understanding board governance for your organization.

#### This workshop will address relevant challenges including:

- · The roles and responsibilities of board directors at a non-profit housing organization?
- · What skills board directors need to meet today's challenges of governing a non-profit?
- · How to run board meetings smoothly and efficiently?
- · How do we recruit new board members?

in Brandon Nov 2nd

in Winnipeg Nov 9th



#### MEMBERS BREAKFAST CLUB

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - 9:00AM - 10:30AM at the brandon riverbank centre in brandon

Skip your regular routine. Join us for a stress-free start of your day with our breakfast and networking event. Let's connect with coffee, conversations and a great meal.



#### **Brandon Breakfast Club**

Members Only Breakfast Club: We continue to hear how beneficial it is for our members to network with each other. As housers we share common values and can gain knowledge and support from our time together. Learn from your colleagues, hear about housing trends, and be aware of the significant changes coming to the non-profit housing sector in Manitoba. Note: The Breakfast Club in Brandon is held before our Board Governance Training, we strongly encourage those in the Brandon area attend both events.

**Register Now** 



#### CONFLICT RESOLUTION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 9:00AM - 4:30PM FORT ROUGE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WINNIPEG

Introduction to Conflict Resolution: Dealing with Difficult People from from Mediation Service. Learn to deal with conflicts using case studies from the non-profit housing sector



#### Conflict Resolution: Dealing with Difficult People

The most recommended course from Mediation Services. This foundations course in dealing with difficult people using case studies from the non-profit housing sector and offered at cost from Manitoba Non-Profit Housing. Find out how to transform conflict into something positive, while proactively preventing unnecessary future conflict from happening. The conflict management tools that are taught in this course can be very easily applied in our home life, our social circles and at work.



# 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



Calling all Board Members! Whether you're new to non-profit board governance, new to a housing-focused organization, or experienced in both. The self-directed online course has has three modules delivered by Google Classrooms and takes about 4 hours to complete. Each module covers a foundational topic of board governance and includes tools that you can put to use in their own organization. Training is available until October 31st.

Register Now



#### Manitoba Fall Education Event

Registration is open for CHF's annual fall regional education event. This year's theme is "Creative communication through education." Join CHF in Winnipeg for a full day of learning and networking with Manitoba co-operators!
Saturday, October 21st, 2023
Old Grace Housing Co-operative, Winnipeg MB

Use the early bird and other discounts to make it even more affordable!Find out more here!

#### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

# Director of Indigenous Housing Policy and Programs





Does your commitment to Indigenous justice and rights match your passion for affordable housing? CHRA is hiring a Director of Indigenous Housing Policy and Programs to support the Indigenous Caucus at CHRA and our ongoing advocacy, research and professional development work. For details chick here

<u>Deadline:</u> October 10th <u>Term:</u> 4 months, with possibility of renewal <u>Location</u>: CHRA offers a hybrid work environment, with the possibility of remote work from anywhere in Canada.

# Executive Director, Property Services XM3 Senior Manager 3

Manitoba Housing has a unique role in promoting community development and creating opportunities for people to engage in activities that promote well-being and social inclusion where they live. Property Services provides social and affordable housing to low and moderate income Manitobans and those with specialized needs. Employment Equity is a factor in selection for this



competition. Consideration will be given to Indigenous people and persons with disabilities. For details click here

#### **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**



#### 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 groups 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.

Learn More

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