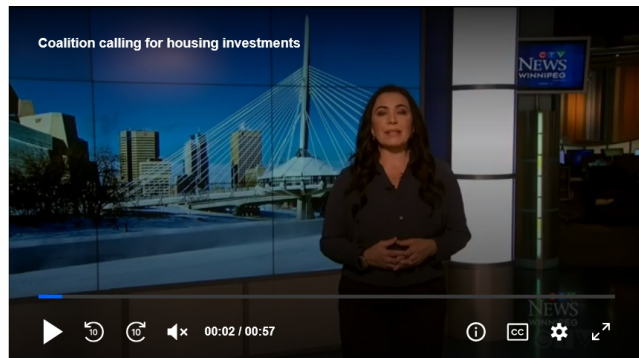




## HOUSING IN THE NEWS

### **Advocates Call for Manitoba to Make Housing a Priority in the 2024 Budget**

The province is in the midst of budget consultations for its 2024 financial blueprint, and the Right to Housing Coalition is pushing for a fund to add 1,000 social housing units. They would be geared towards income and owned by the public, non-profit and co-op housing providers.



Also on the wish list - a capital maintenance fund created to ensure no existing units are lost due to disrepair, plus funding to ensure social housing tenants have access to support workers. The priorities were taken from the coalition's [social housing action plan \(opens in a new tab\)](#), which was released in the fall.

McKinnon says she's seen governments come and go, and many look to the private sector for solutions to the housing crisis. "Let's just admit that this is not going to be the solution for people who are in lowest income households," she said. "Let's just do the investment we need to create the housing that we need, that's low-rent housing, that's rent geared towards income, maintain the supply that we have and then provide all the other supports that people need." [Learn More](#)

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### **Budget 2024 Public Meetings**

As part of our public engagement efforts for Budget 2024, the Minister of Finance will be holding public meetings with Manitobans from across the province from mid-January to late-February. Here are the upcoming meetings:

- [Winkler](#) – Monday, February 12th at 6pm at Winkler Arts Centre, 547 Park St.
- [Winnipeg](#) – Monday, February 26th at 6pm Westwood Community Church, 401 Westwood Dr.

The #MBBudget2024 Survey is still open. Take the survey, attend engagements, submit your recommendations, and share with others who would like to see Budget 2024 support our sector.

[Complete Survey Now!](#)

## News from MNPHA

**Save the Date - Housing Day, Tuesday, May 7th**



## HOUSING DAY

TUESDAY, MAY 7

A MNPHA Member's only event, Housing Day allows leaders in non-profit housing to share the successes and challenges of the sector with elected officials and raise issues that matter to Manitoba's affordable housing community.

Registration opening soon



### Housing Supports Initiative

3RD QUARTER IMPACT REPORT  
OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2023



#### Key Focus

- 1 Case Management
- 2 Housing Supports
- 3 Sector Capacity Building

**18** unique programs funded

#### Case Management



- ▶ 846 households received case management support
- ▶ 819 interventions were made to support people at risk of homelessness
- ▶ 88% of households reported being stably housed at 3 months and 12 months post intervention

#### Housing Supports



- ▶ Housing support efforts have doubled since April 2023
- ▶ 1252 households received supports to prevent eviction

#### Sector Capacity Building



- ▶ 36 training sessions
- ▶ 52 community partnerships supported
- ▶ 56 community networking opportunities

### *The Housing Supports Initiative Makes an Impact*

The Province of Manitoba has renewed the Housing Supports Initiative funding, providing a further \$1.3 million to be used by the Initiative to the end of 2024.

HSI is currently funding 18 unique projects that expand the capacity of non-profit housing and partner organizations across Manitoba to promote successful tenancies for those exiting and at risk of homelessness.

With the funding, these organizations can now offer a broad range of programs for tenants, including help accessing EIA and other social services, transportation, mental health and addictions care, budgeting, and life skills education. The funds also allow programs to provide case management, community outreach, and increase sector capacity through education and partnerships.

The Housing Supports Initiative is an important project for Manitobans facing housing precarity or homelessness. With the lack of safe, affordable, and accessible housing in Manitoba, the programs funded through the Initiative are needed now more than ever. [Read more](#)

## EDUCATION AND EVENTS



### MEMBERS BREAKFAST CLUB

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 - 8:30AM - 10:00AM  
THE WOOD TAVERN, 112 MARION STREET, WINNIPEG

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.



### *Members Breakfast Club - Last Chance*

We are so grateful for the success of Breakfast Club. Both the Winnipeg and Brandon events sold out and were a huge success for our members. Developed as an opportunity for members to network and share information, we continue Breakfast Club into 2024 with a focus on networking as well as collective problem solving of issues the attendees are facing with their non-profit housing organizations.

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

Thursday, February 15th from 8:30am - 10:00am  
Wood Tavern in the Norwood, 112 Marion Street, Winnipeg

Deadline to Register is 12 noon Monday, February 12th



## Financing Affordable Housing with the Power of Community

Webinar Description: Affordable housing providers need flexible and creative financing tools to help deliver affordable housing projects. Among these tools is community finance and in particular, community bonds. Tapestry Community Capital specializes in the use of community bonds and have supported not-for-profits to unlock over \$100M in impact investments to fund 61 projects.

With support from the CMHC, Tapestry is now assisting affordable housing providers and have launched the first BC community bond campaign with Propolis Housing Cooperative — which are also now on sale in Manitoba. This session will cover what community bonds are, how they work. Propolis Housing Cooperative will also share their current experience of issuing bonds as a case study.

Tuesday, February 27 from 2:00pm - 3:00pm CDT

Register Now!



## BUILDING BOARDS

Self-guided online training designed for non-profit housing board members. *"My first year on the board and as President. This is fantastic information that I feel I can use and apply."* Past Registrant

Funded by: MNPHA THE WINNIPEG FOUNDATION Assiniboine Credit Union

## Board Training For Non-Profit Housing 2024

This course is for those who serve (or are considering serving) on a non-profit housing board as a director/board member. Become a more effective and knowledgeable Board Member with this essential training. Building Boards is an online, self-guided training delivered via Google Classrooms.

This training program makes it easy to learn with videos, reading, and assignments in small segments. Register now and you'll have access to the course until the end of April. Want to register your entire board? Ask about our special pricing.

Register Now!



## LIFE LEASE ACT UPDATE

THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH, 10:00AM – 12:00NOON  
AT DEER LODGE COMMUNITY CLUB, WINNIPEG

What Board Members, Tenant Representatives, and Managers of Life Lease Organizations Need to Know.

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changes to the Life Lease Act and how they may affect the life leases organizations. Who should attend? Board members, tenant representatives and property managers for Life Lease organizations.

Register Now!

**THE TOOLBOX+ TRAINING**  
BY CAHDCO

CIH and Cahdco are inviting you to increase your affordable housing development knowledge and access useful project tools and resources created by Toolbox+ through this learning opportunity.

- February 20, 21, 27, and 28, 2024
- 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET
- Zoom Meeting

**SPEAKERS:**

**CRAEME HUSSEY**  
PRESIDENT  
CAHDCO

**PAIGE WALDOCK**  
PROJECT MANAGER  
CAHDCO

Registration starts December 1, 2023

Chartered Institute of Housing Canada

### CIH Canada Training: Toolbox+

This training will focus on increasing affordable housing development knowledge through learning about key components of the development process. Through participation in this training you will also be given access to project tools and resources created by Toolbox+ to support your affordable housing project.

February 20, 21, 27, and 28

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM (CT) on [Zoom](#)

[Register here](#)



### 2024 CHRA National Congress on Housing and Homelessness is in Fredericton April 9 to 11!

Join CHRA at the Fredericton Convention Centre for three days of learning, networking, and engaging with leaders from across the Canadian community housing sector. Have your say on key issues, learn about the latest developments in the sector, and get inspired for the future. [Get the details.](#)

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

*We list all the funding opportunities, including the ongoing funding on [mnpha.com](#)*

### Summit's 2024 Pro Bono Executive Search

Recruiting New Leadership? With over two decades of commitment to community, philanthropy, and volunteerism, they have now launched their 2024 Pro Bono Executive Search initiative! In 2023, Volunteer Manitoba had the honour of being selected for this initiative and had the opportunity to work with the folks at Summit to recruit and select their new Executive Director, Ashley Seymour.

Are you looking to recruit new senior leadership for your organization? This opportunity might be for you! Visit [Summit Search Group's website](#).

Deadline to apply is Friday, February 23, 2024



### The Manitoba Accessibility Fund

The Manitoba government is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 Manitoba Accessibility Fund, which offers grants up to \$50,000 to projects improving accessibility and removing barriers for Manitobans living with disabilities.



Eligible organizations must have been in operation for one year prior to application and may include:

- registered charities;
- non-profit organizations incorporated and registered with the Companies Office;
- non-profit organizations that have a bank account and can verify activity for at least one year;



- local businesses or corporations based in Manitoba providing services to Manitobans that are registered with the Companies Office;
- on-reserve businesses and organizations that meet all other eligibility requirements;
- municipalities and local authorities such as planning districts and Northern Affairs Community Councils; and
- universities, colleges and school divisions.

Application projects must address accessibility standards under the Accessibility for Manitobans Act, tackling barriers to customer service, employment or information and communication. Projects must fulfill one of three objectives including:

- raising awareness about the prevention and removal of barriers;
- developing tools, resources and training to support compliance with legislated standards; or
- removing barriers to information and communications electronically, in print and in person.

Deadline to apply is Friday, February 16, 2024. For more information [click here](#).



## Community Grants

The Winnipeg Foundation Community Grants are short-term grants (under \$100,000) that support a wide range of projects in our community.

Deadline to apply is Friday, March 1, 2024. For more information [click here](#).



## Canada Greener Affordable Housing Program

Canada Greener Affordable Housing provides low-interest loans and grants for deep energy retrofits. Multi-unit (5+) residential can access the program if they target at 70% reduction in energy consumption and an 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. Applications for retrofit funding are accepted on a continuous basis until the available funding have been fully committed. Pre-retrofit funding for activities such as energy audits, energy modelling studies and building condition assessment reports required for a retrofit funding application are open now. [Learn more](#)

## 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](#)

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES



## Kinew Housing hiring Executive Director

Kinew Housing is Indigenous led and is located in the City of Winnipeg. The Executive Director ensures the efficient and effective management of Kinew Housing Inc. rental properties and is responsible and accountable for all property management functions and activities including maintenance of units and grounds; leasing; vacancy management; tenant relations. The Executive Director will perform these duties and responsibilities in accordance with Kinew Housing Inc.'s project

Operating agreement, Manitoba Housing, MHRC, The Residential Tenancies Act and the Residential Tenancies Branch. [Read more](#)

## Chief Executive Officer to Lead SAM Management Forward



Reporting to the SAM Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer will support the Board in developing and implementing the strategic vision and direction for the organization. As a visionary leader who thrives at the 30,000-foot level, you are an accomplished and experienced change agent who maximizes performance through organizational growth. Known for your problem-solving abilities, you also bring a strength of knowledge in finance and systems to the role. [Read More](#)

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