

Quarterly Communication

January to March 2026



New Brunswick Collaborative
Housing Co-operative Ltd.

Growth and Development

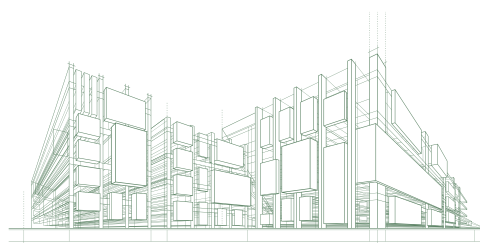
75 Brown Boulevard

The project team continues to make progress on the 75 Brown Boulevard development. Work is focused on advancing the building design, reviewing funding options, and ensuring key project considerations are addressed.

Engagement with the city has been constructive helping clarify next steps related to planning, safety, and waste management.

Updated building renderings have been produced by our architect team and will help guide the project as it moves forward.

The project team is maintaining regular design and coordination meetings, including a monthly checkpoint to ensure progress stays on track and all partners are aligned.



Expanding Our Development Efforts

Our project team has begun feasibility work on a new development opportunity in a rural New Brunswick community, with the first standing monthly project team steering committee meeting held in March.

We received a positive response to our initial proposal, and the local community has expressed support for the project. Next steps are being reviewed to ensure all agreements and planning are in place before moving forward.

This communication report is being sent from the City of Saint John/Menaquesk which is situated in the traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik/Maliseet. The Wolastoqiyik/Maliseet along with their indigenous neighbours, the Mi'Kmaq/Mi'kmaw and Passamaquoddy/Peskotomuhkati signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700s that protected their rights to lands and resources.

Planning

Annual Plan Wrap Up

Our extended Annual Plan officially concluded on March 31, 2026. Over the past year, the board has made strong progress and completed most of the work we set out to do. A small number of items remain underway as they depend on the timing and progress of our development projects.

Two key areas are still in progress:

- Exploring three development opportunities to assess their viability, including potential new builds and acquisitions within the province.
- Developing a community engagement strategy, including marketing units and identifying best practices.

At this time, two development opportunities are actively moving forward, each supported by dedicated project committees. Advancing these projects has been the board's primary focus as we work to grow the co-op thoughtfully and responsibly. The community engagement strategy will be finalized closer to project completion so that it reflects the specific communities involved and the realities of each development.

We are pleased to share that the co-op is now fully operational from a governance and policy perspective. Core policies are in place, including Spending; Housing Charge and Arrears; Unit Allocation; Board and Member Handbook; and Board Recruitment Resources. These policies provide a strong foundation for accountability, transparency, and future member participation.

Until our first resident members move in, the board's focus will remain on advancing these two active development projects and ensuring the co-op is well positioned for a successful and sustainable launch.



New Policies

This quarter, we made meaningful progress on key policies that will guide the co-op as our first development project moves forward and we prepare to welcome our first resident.

- **Unit Allocation Policy** – Approved in January, this policy sets out a fair and transparent process for assigning units, so all future members are considered equitably.
- **Housing Charge Payment & Arrears Policy** – Approved in March, this policy clarifies payment expectations and procedures, helping support both our members and the long-term financial stability of the co-op.

Together, these policies are important steps in preparing for a smooth transition when our buildings are ready and our first members move in.



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New Brunswick Community Housing Alliance

An update was shared this quarter on the ongoing work of the New Brunswick Housing Alliance. The Alliance brings together several organizations working collaboratively to strengthen affordable and community-based housing across the province, including:

- New Brunswick Collaborative Housing Co-operative Ltd. (NBCHC)
- New Brunswick Community Land Trust Co-operative Ltd. (NB Land Trust)
- New Brunswick Non-Profit Housing Association (NBNPHA)
- Housing Hub of New Brunswick

Our co-op remains connected to this work through. Our board has representatives to the Alliance, helping ensure strong collaboration and information-sharing between organizations.

The Alliance recently held strategic planning sessions to clarify shared priorities and next steps. Members are currently awaiting the final summary report from these sessions. Once received, key highlights and outcomes will be shared more broadly.

Marketing & Communications

Showcasing NBCHC at CHF Canada's AGM

We are excited to share that our co-op has been selected by CHF Canada to be featured in a virtual co-op tour video for their 2026 Annual Meeting, taking place in Fredericton this June. The video will introduce members from across the country to our community, highlighting our work at NBCHC alongside Unified Saint John and The Range Housing Co-operative.

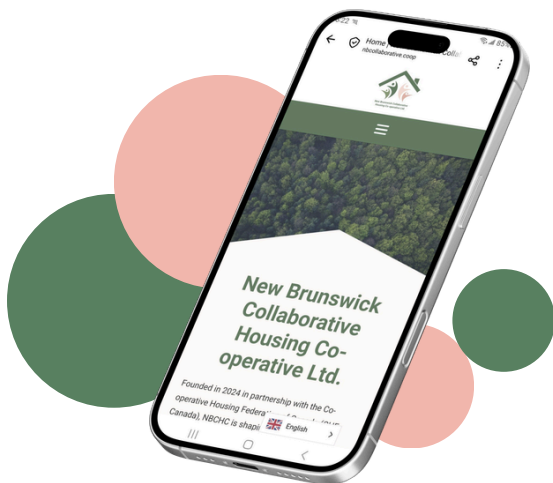
This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase what we're working on and how our co-op model works in practice!



Upcoming Events

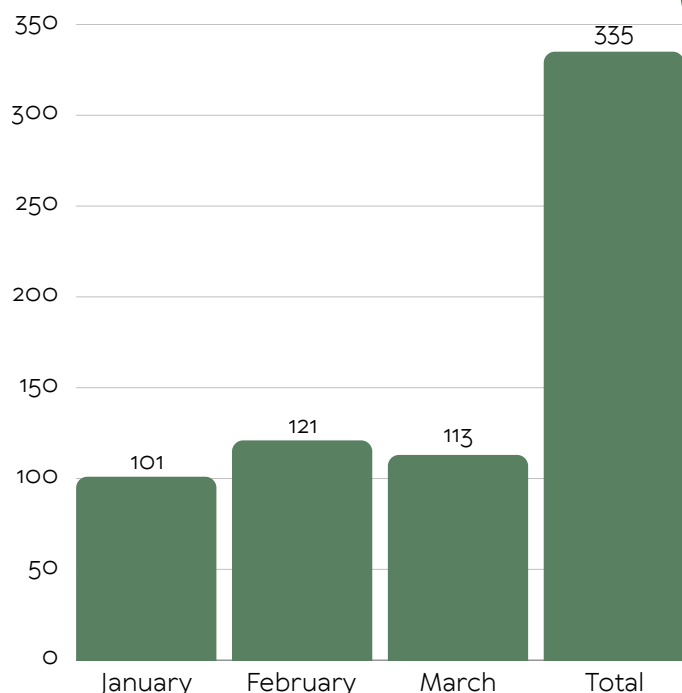
Keep an eye out for us at two events next quarter! We'll be hosting shared tradeshow booths at both the NBNPHA Conference in Saint John this May and CHF Canada's AGM in Fredericton this June.

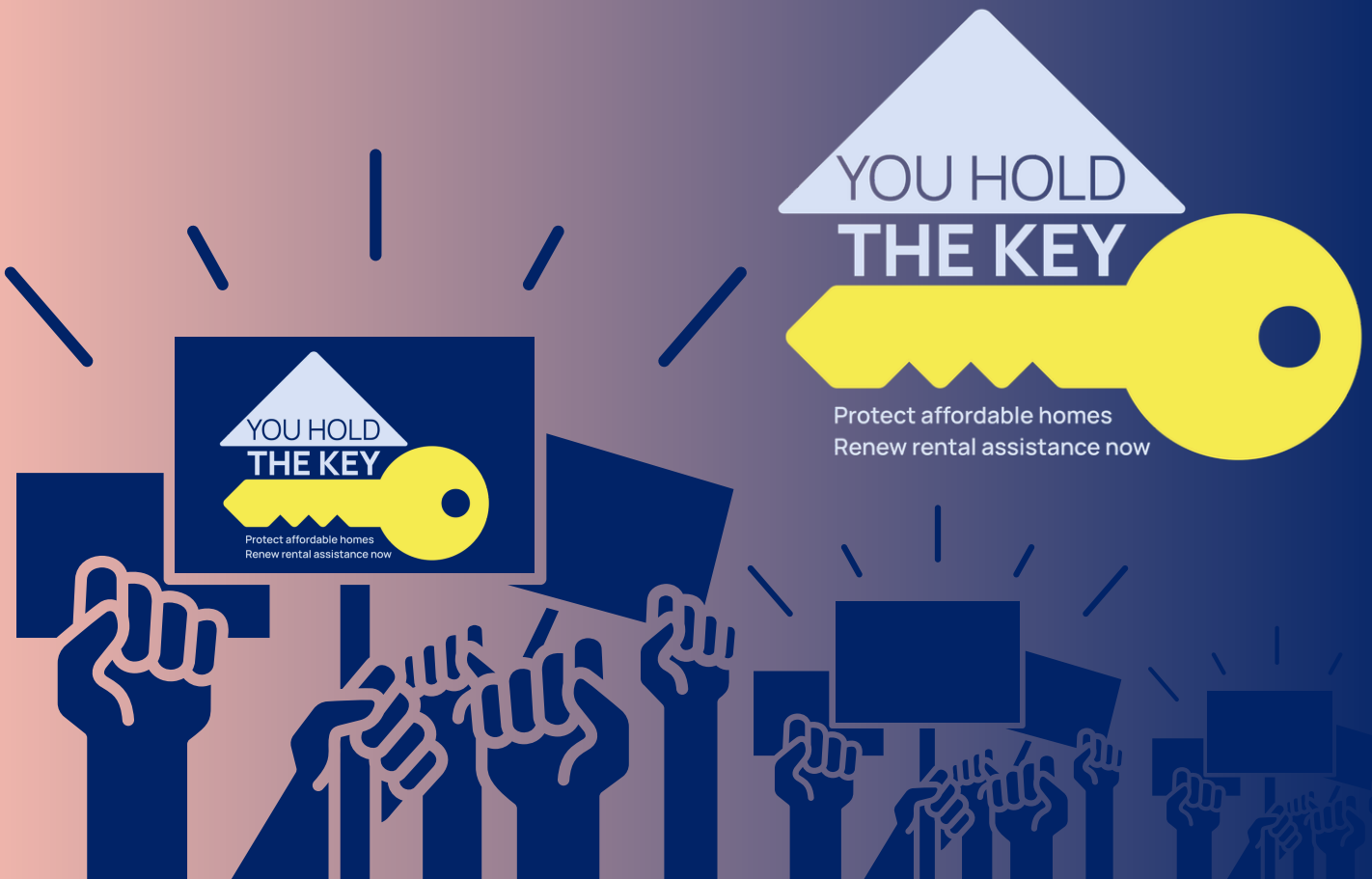
These collaborative booths are a great opportunity for us to network, build local connections, and share our mission and co-op model with a wider audience.



Website

Website traffic reached a total of 335 active users this quarter, an increase of 33% compared to last quarter. The increase signals growing visibility and interest, indicating that more people are discovering and engaging with NBCHC.





Rental Assistance

Thousands of low-income households depend on rental assistance through the Federal Community Housing Initiative (FCHI) and the Canada Community Housing Initiative (CCHI) to afford their co-op housing charges. Both FCHI and CCHI are scheduled to end in March 2028. Without a federal commitment in Budget 2026 to renew these programs, thousands of low-income co-op households face the risk of unaffordable housing costs and potential displacement.

CHF Canada has launched a public-facing, member-engaging campaign, You Hold the Key: Protect Affordable Homes. Renew Rental Assistance Now, to call on the federal government to renew rental assistance programs that are essential to the sustainability of housing co-ops across Canada.

What can you do to help:

- Send a letter to your MP
- Join the virtual rally on May 5, 2026 at 7:00 pm
- Stay informed
- Spread the word to friends and family, and have them sign up too.

**We need more affordable homes, not fewer.
We need to act now.**