

July - September 2025

Quarterly Communications



Co-op Information

Vacancies

There are 2 vacant units that will continue to serve as temporary housing while renovations and upgrades are underway.

New Members

We are excited to warmly welcome 2 new members who have joined us this quarter. Welcome, Gloria and Sheriff!

Planning

Annual General Meeting

Save the date! Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 26th, 2025.

You asked, and we listened! We have secured a space to hold this meeting in person at the Nick Nicolle Community Centre, located at 85 Durham St, Saint John, NB E2K 1V6.

At this meeting, members will come together to review the annual financial report, appoint an auditor, and receive updates from the Board.



Land Acknowledgement

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.

Annual Planning

As of September 1, we've begun work on our 2025–2026 Annual Planning tasks. To learn more about what's included, log in to the Membership Portal on The Range's website to view the Annual Plan.

Atlantic Summit

CHF Canada's Atlantic Summit took place on Saturday, October 25, 2025, in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

This full-day event brought together co-operative members from across the four Atlantic provinces for plenary sessions, engaging workshops, a keynote address, and valuable networking opportunities.



Visit CHF Canada's Website, linked [here](#).

CHF Canada's Risk Management Program

We're excited to share that The Range has been approved to participate in CHF Canada's Risk Management Program!

What does this mean?

By joining the program, The Range will receive a discount on commercial insurance while completing a few proactive steps:

1. Complete the Risk Management Self-Assessment
2. Attend an education session to learn how risk management helps keep the co-op safe and sound
3. Plan unit inspections to identify potential risks that could lead to damage or costly claims
4. Develop an Annual Risk Management Plan

These actions are part of our ongoing commitment to protecting our co-op and ensuring a safe, well-managed community for everyone!

Celebrate Co-op Week with Us!

Co-op week ran from October 12-18th and this year marks the International Year of the Co-operative! We're excited to celebrate all the amazing things our co-op community has accomplished together!

To join in the global celebration, we've hidden the answer to a question somewhere in this newsletter:

What's the most important part of a co-op?

Think you can find it? If you spot the answer, email us at office@housingalternatives.ca by November 14th, 2025, to be entered for a chance to win one of two gift cards! It's our way of saying thank you for being such an important part of our community. Happy Co-op Week, and good luck!



International Year of Cooperatives

Cooperatives Build
a Better World

Co-op Fun Fact

Did you know? Co-ops exist in every sector.

If you're thinking of starting a business and wonder, "Can ____ be a co-operative?" the answer is likely "Yes". Most people know that grocery stores and gas stations can be co-operatives, but have you ever heard of a tourism co-operative? A music co-op? How about a co-op radio station? Daycares, breweries, community gardens, and renewable energy producers are among the endless examples of co-operatives.



Grand Opening

On Monday, September 8th, The Range Housing Co-operative celebrated a major milestone with its official Grand Opening, held right at the co-op. The event brought together over 100 community members, partners, and supporters to mark this exciting milestone.

The evening was filled with connection and community, starting with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and inspiring words from speakers. From there, the celebration unfolded with great food, music, face painting, and some classic lawn games that kept everyone smiling.

It was a fun, meaningful way to honour all the hard work that brought The Range Housing Co-operative to life – and to look ahead to what's next for this growing community.

Because at the heart of every co-op is what's most important: The Members!

We were also pleased that the Range received coverage from Country 94 and from the Telegraph-Journal.



Marketing and Communication

Central Heat Pump System Education

Keep an eye out for an upcoming information sheet from Housing Alternatives! It will outline what can affect your Central Heat Pump System's performance, along with filter replacement and cleaning guidelines.

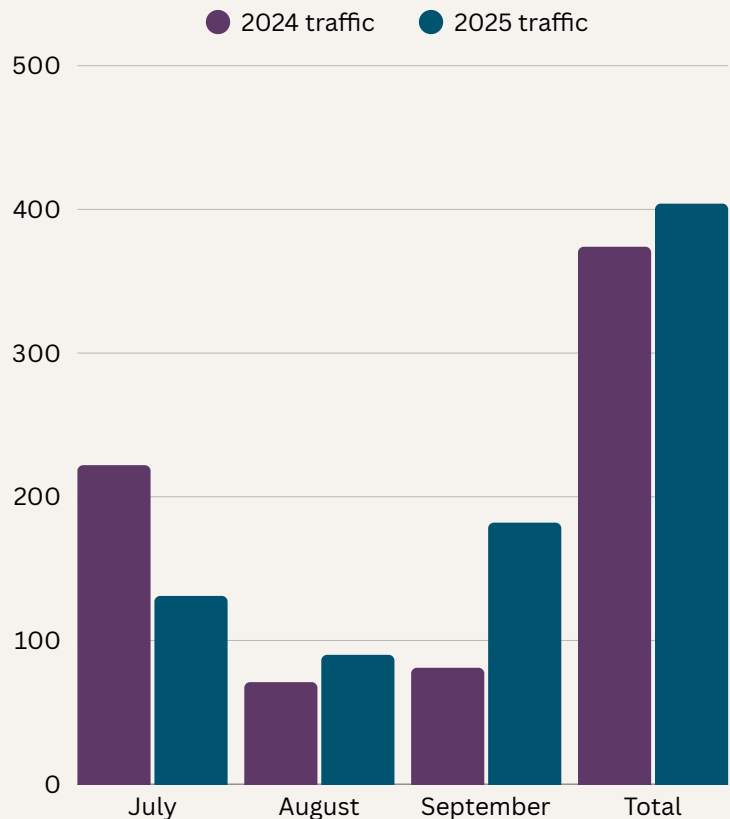
Regular maintenance is key to keeping your system running efficiently and extending its lifespan.

Website

Website traffic is up 8% compared to the same quarter last year! This growth likely reflects increased interest and visits around our Grand Opening Event in September.

The Homepage and the Member Login were the most visited pages last quarter. The Board and Members have password protected areas on the website, to access information and resources.

If you require your login details, please email info@therangehousing.coop.



Stay Up to Date

Members are encouraged to regularly check the member portal of the website to learn more about your membership and stay up to date with the co-op activities.

For any maintenance requests or inquiries regarding The Range Board, members should contact property management, Housing Alternatives, directly at (506) 632-9393.

Members of The Range can also access CHF Canada's library of co-op resources [here](#) and sign up to receive CHF Canada's eNews to stay up to date on upcoming events, CHF Canada services and benefits, co-op housing news, and more.



Sustainability, Growth and Development

Sustainability

Unit renovations at The Range are well underway!

There were a few challenges at the start of the project, as some materials used in the initial renovations did not meet the expected longevity standards. Housing Alternatives worked with the contractor to revise the plan and make the necessary adjustments to ensure all work meets our quality expectations.

To keep the project on schedule and meet the funding deadline in Summer 2026, a second crew will be starting soon.

Thank you for your continued support as we work to improve our community.

