

Quarterly Communications



Co-op Information

Board of Directors

At the Annual General Meeting in December, the final two of The Range's founding Board members, Allison Ferris and Toby Bodechon, completed their terms.

We would like to sincerely acknowledge the dedication, countless hours, and valuable knowledge that Allison and Toby contributed to the creation and establishment of The Range Housing Co-operative.



Thank you, Allison and Toby, for your leadership, commitment, and lasting contributions to our co-op community.

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.

Two Non-Resident Board members were acclaimed for three-year terms: Sheriff Wiredu and Gloria Maya. Both bring valuable experience and insight to the Board of Directors, and we are pleased to welcome them to The Range!

The Range 2025–2026 Board of Directors

Dale Smith – President
Jeremy Day – Vice-President
Sheriff Wiredu – Secretary
Gloria Maya – Treasurer
Julia Woodhall-Melnick – Director

Range Members can learn more about Board of Directors at any time, including Board member bios and roles, by visiting The Range Website:

<https://therangehousing.coop/governance-structure/>

Sheriff
Wiredu



Gloria
Maya



Vacancies

There are currently 2 vacant units at The Range. These units will continue to serve as temporary housing while renovations and upgrades are underway.

New Members

This quarter, The Range was pleased to welcome three new members to the co-operative: Melodie, Zackary, and Courtney!

Planning

Atlantic Summit

The CHF Canada Atlantic Summit took place on October 25, 2025. Board President Dale attended the Summit on behalf of The Range, participating in a full day of networking, workshops, and a keynote presentation.

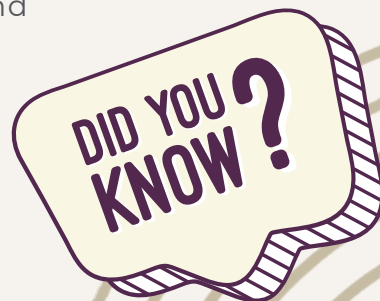
The Range also participated by hosting a shared “Co-operation Among Co-operatives” tradeshow table in collaboration with:

- Unified Saint John Housing Co-operative
- Compass Nova Scotia Co-operative Homes
- New Brunswick Collaborative Housing Co-operative



Co-op Fun Fact

Co-operatives operate in over 100 countries worldwide, showing how the co-op model brings people together across cultures, economies, and communities.



Bylaw Review Committee – Get Involved!

We are looking for Members interested in volunteering to join an upcoming Bylaw Review Committee. The committee's Terms of Reference have been circulated to all Range Members and outline the purpose and goals of the Bylaw Review process.

Joining the committee is a unique opportunity to shape the rules and governance of your co-operative. Members on the committee will:

- Review and suggest updates to The Range's Bylaws to ensure they are current, clear, and legally compliant (Bylaws must be consistent with the provincial Co-operatives Act.)
- Gather input and feedback from co-op members
- Consider best practices in co-operative governance
- Prepare proposed Bylaw changes for Board review
- Help ensure updates reflect the needs, values, and practices of the co-op



Being part of this process gives you a direct voice in how The Range is run and ensures that decisions are guided by members like you. Your knowledge, ideas, and perspective can make a lasting impact on the co-op and help strengthen the community for everyone.

If you're interested in joining the Bylaw Review Committee or learning more about the process, check the circulated Terms of Reference or contact Housing Alternatives, office@housingalternatives.ca, for more details.

Annual General Meeting

The Range's Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held virtually on December 4, 2025, with 21 members in attendance. The meeting was originally planned as an in-person event; however, as quorum was not met, it was rescheduled and held online.

During the AGM, members approved the audited financial statements and appointed the auditor for the coming year. These decisions are a vital part of co-operative membership; your participation gives you a voice in how your home and community are governed.



Following the meeting, a feedback survey was sent to all members to help identify ways to increase participation and engagement at future meetings. We encourage everyone to share their thoughts as we continue working to strengthen member involvement!

Member Engagement

Celebrating Our Members

As a small token of our appreciation, a member appreciation gift will be distributed to all Range households in January. Thank you for being part of The Range co-op community and for helping make it a welcoming and supportive place to call home!





Member Surveying Project

We're excited to share a new project launching at The Range! A member survey focused on engagement, co-op knowledge, and member needs will be rolling out soon. This initiative is being completed by University of New Brunswick students from Board Member Dr. Julia Woodhall-Melnik's community-based research class. The students have begun developing a draft survey based on input from the Board and contracted support staff. Surveys will be conducted door-to-door between February 18 and March 18, 2026, with an option to complete the survey online.

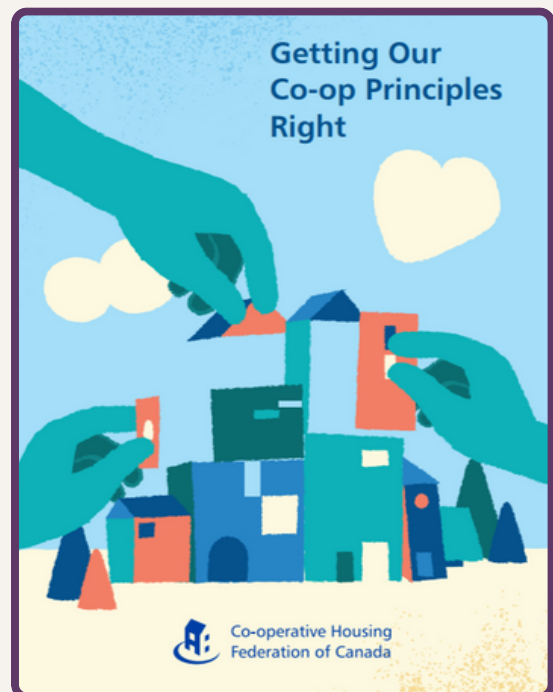
This project is an opportunity for members to share their ideas, priorities, and hopes for the future of the co-op, helping to shape engagement activities and services going forward. Additional details about this exciting project will be shared in the coming weeks.

Resource Highlight

In celebration of the 2025 International Year of the Co-operative, CHF Canada updated its flagship Getting it Right series:

Getting Our Co-op Principles Right

This resource shows how to apply the co-op principles in the context of your housing co-op. It's an excellent introduction and a great refresher on the fundamentals of the co-operative business model.



Marketing and Communication

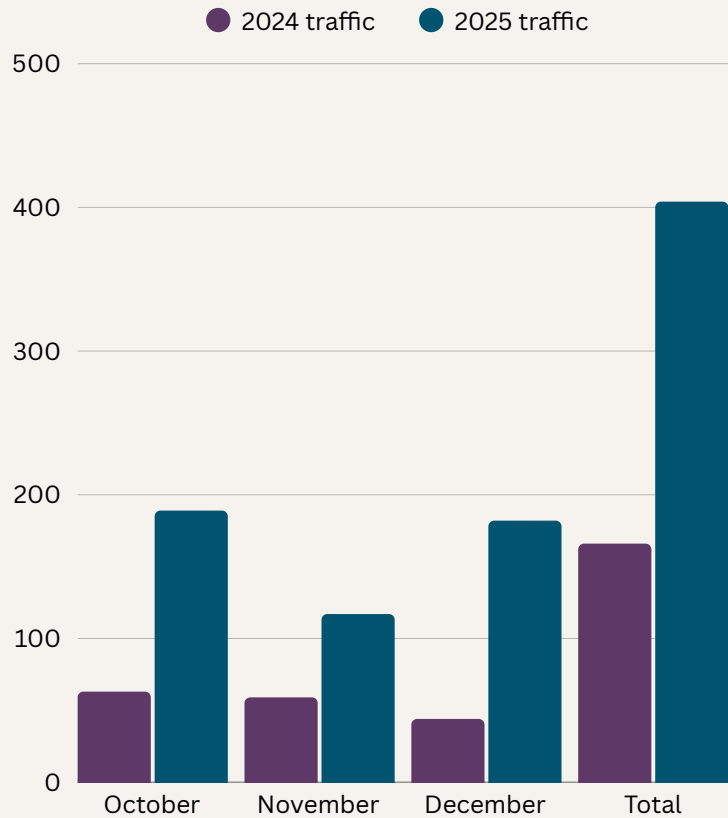
Central Heat Pumps Filters

Central heat pump filter replacements are part of our ongoing maintenance plan. Additional filters have been ordered, and members can collect replacements as needed. An educational information sheet has been shared with members to support proper maintenance and system efficiency.

Website

Website traffic is up 129% compared to the same time frame in 2024, reflecting continued community outreach and increased member engagement as the organization strengthens its presence.

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

Roof Replacement, Chimney Removal, and Outside Lighting

Planning is underway for roof replacement, chimney removal, and outside lighting upgrades. Project details are being reviewed, and applications for grant funding are being explored to help support this work.

Exterior lighting upgrades have already started and are expected to reduce electricity costs, helping to offset overall project expenses.

Unit Renovations

Unit renovations at The Range are moving along. Additional information will be shared with Members in January 2026, outlining what to expect as the project continues. Thank you for your continued support as we work to improve our community.