

April - June 2026

Quarterly Communications



Co-op Information

Vacancies

There are currently five vacant units at The Range. Two units will continue to be used as temporary housing while renovations and upgrades are in progress. The remaining three units are being cleaned and repaired in preparation for new members to move in.

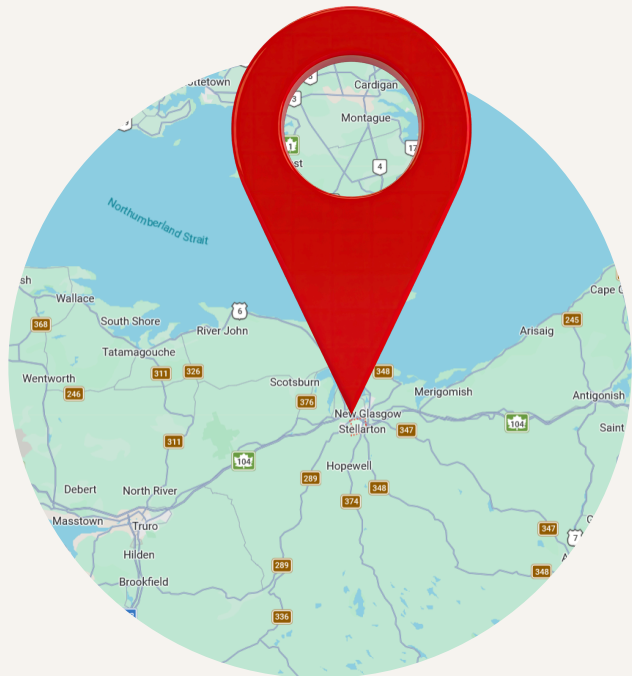
New Members

This quarter, The Range was excited to welcome two new members to the co-operative: Bryston and Erica!

Co-op Fun Fact

The co-op movement in Canada has strong roots in Atlantic Canada. One of the first successful co-op stores in the country was started by coal miners in Stellarton, Nova Scotia, in 1861.

This early co-op helped lay the groundwork for the strong co-operative communities we continue to see across the region today.



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.

Planning

General Meeting.

The General Membership Meeting was originally planned for May 13 but could not go ahead because there were not enough members present.

What does this mean? Under The Range's bylaws, at least 10% of members, or about 30 people, must attend for the meeting to take place. This helps make sure important co-op decisions are made with input from a broad group of members.



The meeting was rescheduled and held on May 27. Members received an update on the survey results and voted to approve the 2026-2027 Operating Budget and the Conflict Resolution Policy. A feedback survey was later shared with members, and the results are posted in the members portal on The Range's website.

General Membership Meetings are an important part of co-op life. Led by the Board of Directors, these meetings give members a chance to learn about the co-op's day-to-day operations, current projects, and future plans. Members can also take part in important decisions by voting during the meeting.

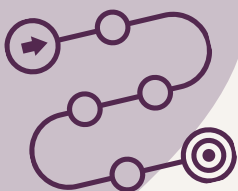
These meetings are a great way to stay informed, share your thoughts, and stay connected with your community. We hope you'll join us at the next one!

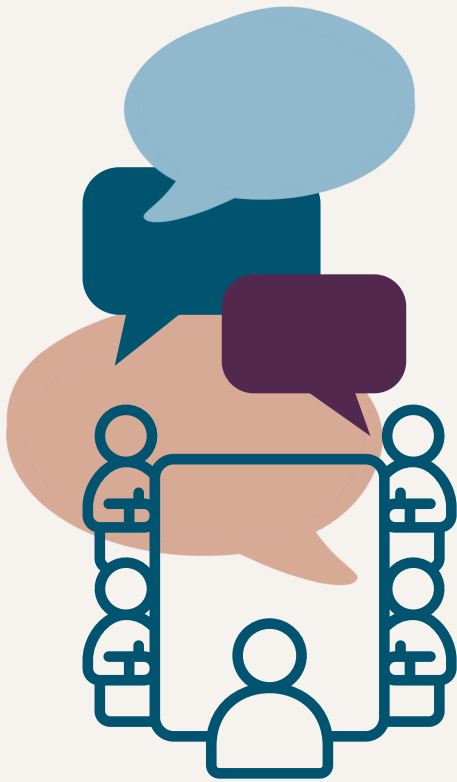
Annual Planning.

We are excited to be working on the Annual Plan for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. Annual planning usually takes place before the General Membership Meeting in May. This year, however, we waited until after the member survey so we could include your feedback. This will help ensure the plan reflects what matters most to our members.

What is annual planning? Each year, the Board reviews The Range's main priorities and decides what we want to accomplish in the year ahead. We set goals and identify the steps needed to achieve them. This helps us stay focused, track our progress throughout the year, and make sure important work gets done.

Once the Annual Plan is approved, it will be posted in the members portal on The Range website.





Bylaw Review Committee Update

The Bylaw Review Committee has been hard at work. Thank you to everyone who completed the Bylaw Review Survey. Your feedback has helped the Committee identify areas that may need improvement and consider possible changes to the bylaws.

Since the survey closed, the Committee has met twice to review the results and begin developing recommendations. Another meeting is planned for July to continue this work and review proposed changes to the bylaw document.

As the process continues, any proposed bylaw changes will first be shared with the Board for review. Any changes to the bylaws will then be presented to members for review and approval. This ensures that members have the final say on important updates to the co-op's governing rules.

Process for Strategic Partnerships

We have created a clear process for building partnerships at The Range. This process helps ensure that any partnerships we pursue support our goals and provide value to members and the community.

Strong community partnerships can help a housing co-op access new resources, share ideas, and create more opportunities for members. They can also support programs, services, and improvements that strengthen our community.

Having a clear process helps the Board make informed and consistent decisions. It also provides a way to regularly review partnerships and make sure they continue to meet the needs of the co-op.

The partnership process is available in the members-only section of the website.



Community Block Party

We are thrilled to announce we've secured the City of Saint John's Community Block Party Trailer to host a member event at The Range this summer!

Date: Sunday, July 26, 2026

Time: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: Green Space, Foulis Court (same location as Grand Opening event)



Join us for an afternoon of BBQ, snacks, lawn games, volleyball/badminton, bubbles, sidewalk chalk and kids' gift bags. We hope to see you there for a fun and welcoming community event!

Member Surveying Project

The member survey project is now complete!

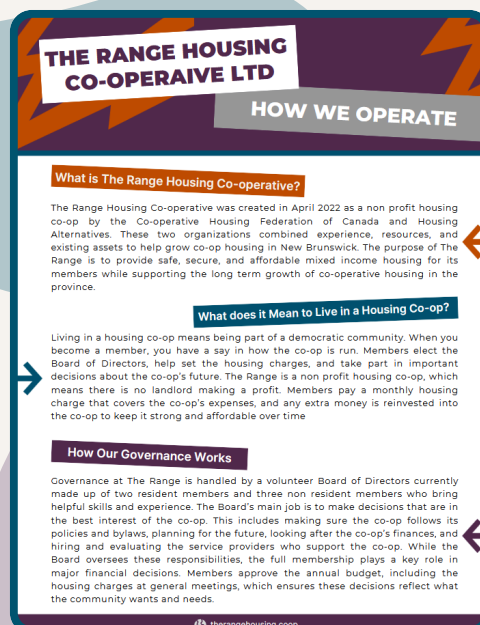
Thank you to everyone who took part, your input really makes a difference.

The results have been put together in the [Member Survey Report](#), which is available in the members login section of the website and will help guide the Board's annual planning for the year ahead.

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New Resource

Do you need more information about how The Range Housing Co-op works? We've created a new resource, [The Range: How We Operate](#), that explains what it means to live in a housing co-op and how the board and overall operations function. It is now available in the members login section of the website.



Keeping our Homes Safe

What this means to you: Simple safety steps help protect your home and your neighbours.

The Range has joined CHF Canada's Risk Management Program. This program helps us spot problems early and reduce safety risks before they become serious or costly.

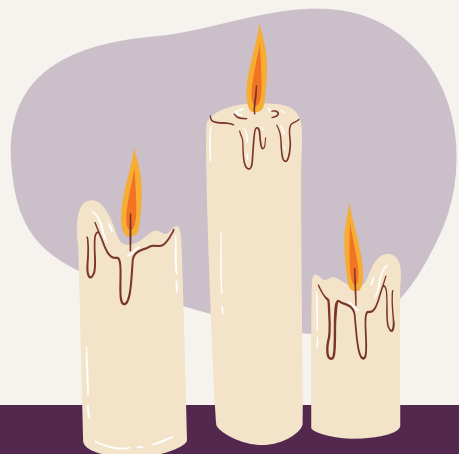
Fire Safety at Home:

Cooking fires are one of the most common causes of damage in homes. Many of these fires can be prevented.

You can help by:

- Staying in the kitchen while cooking.
- Never pouring water on a grease fire. Use a lid to cover it instead.
- Keeping towels, bags, and paper away from the stove.
- Checking the oven before turning it on.
- Not overloading outlets or power bars.
- Replacing damaged cords
- Charging phones or laptops on hard surfaces, not beds or under pillows, or couches.
- Keeping heaters at least three (3) feet away from anything that can burn.
- Blowing out candles before leaving the room or going to bed.
- Testing smoke alarms every month and reporting any problems

If you notice a safety issue, contact Housing Alternatives right away.
office@housingalternatives.ca



Sustainability, Growth and Development

Ongoing Unit Renovations

Unit renovations to improve home layouts began in early 2025. So far, 29 units have been completed, 1 is in progress, and 3 more are scheduled. Thank you for your patience as we continue improving our homes and community!



Marketing and Communication

CHF Canada's AGM

Our co-op was featured by CHF Canada in a "virtual co-op tour" at the 2026 Annual Meeting, held in Fredericton this June. The video showcased The Range alongside Unified Saint John and the New Brunswick Collaborative Housing Co-operative, highlighting our community and how co-op housing works in real life. You can watch the co-op tour video [here](#).

In addition to the virtual tour, The Range also took part in the event through a shared "co-operation among co-operatives" tradeshow booth with six other Atlantic co-ops. This was a great opportunity to connect, collaborate, and showcase the strength of co-ops across the region!



Website

Our website had a 40% decrease in visits compared to the same period in 2025. This may be because website traffic has returned to more typical levels after a particularly busy period last year.

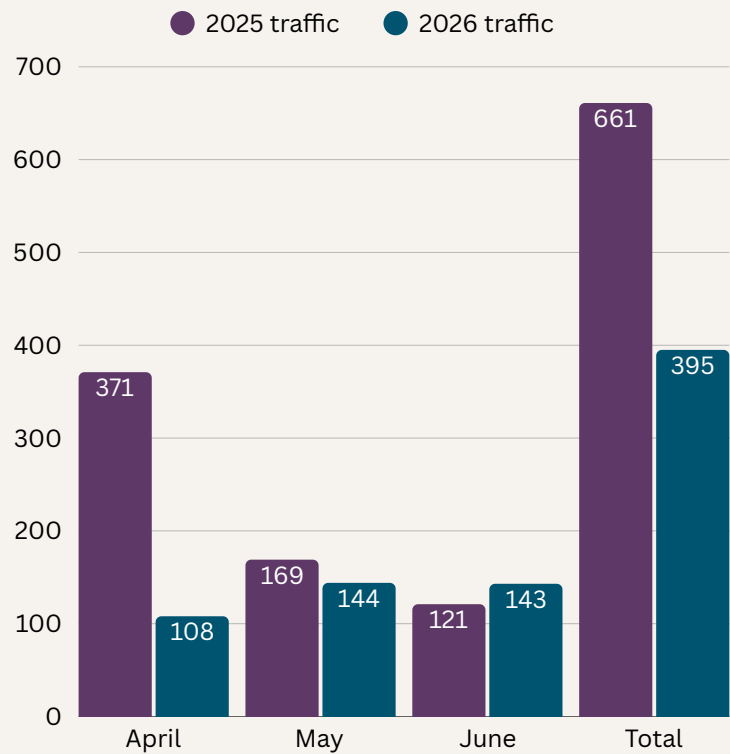
The Homepage and the Member Login were the most visited pages last quarter. Both board and members have access to password protected areas of the website where important information and resources are shared.

Stay Up to Date

Members are encouraged to regularly check the member portal of the website. The portal has helpful information about your membership and updates on co-op news and activities.

For any maintenance requests or questions for The Range board, please contact our property manager, Housing Alternatives, directly at (506) 632-9393.

Members can also access CHF Canada's online library of co-op resources [here](#) and sign up for CHF Canada's eNews. The eNews shares updates about upcoming events, services and benefits, co-op housing news, and more.



If you need help with your login details, please email info@therangehousing.coop.



Tip: If nothing happens, try a QR scanner app