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Are you looking for...

Housing, Housing, or Housing?

# Who's Who In Housing?

- Housing Services – DMAH
- Rent Supplement – DMAH
- Provincial Housing Agency – Formerly Housing Authorities

# Housing Services – What we do

We offer programs that allow low-income Nova Scotia families and individuals to have continued, safe living in their home.

We offer grants and loans for urgent and necessary home repairs and accommodations needed due to disability and mobility issues.

# Housing Services – How we do it

- Grants
- Loans:
  - **Forgivable**
  - **Repayable**
    - **Interest Bearing**
    - **Zero Interest**

# Housing Services – Who we serve

- Homeowners
- Landlords
- Tenants

# Housing Services – Designated Groups

- Seniors
- Persons with Disabilities
- Indigenous

# Housing Services – Programs

- Homeowner Program (RRAP)
- Provincial Housing Emergency Repair Program (PHERP)
- Emergency Repair Program (ERP)
- Small Loan Assistance Program (SLAP)



# Housing Services – Programs Continued

- Disability Program (Dis-RRAP)
- Senior Citizen Assistance Program (SCAP)
- Access-A-Home-Program (AAH)
- Secondary and Backyard Suite Incentive Program (SABSIP)

# Housing Services – Eligible Repairs

- Furnace
- Oil Tank
- Electrical
- Water
- Sewer/Septic
- Plumbing
- Roof
- Chimney
- Windows (Excludes Drafty)
- Doors (Excludes Drafty)
- Step

# Housing Services – Eligible Repairs - Seniors

- Walk In Shower
- Raised Toilet
- Ramp
- Low Rise Steps
- Grab Bars
- Widening Doorways
- Guide Rails on Walls
- Stair Lift
- Relocate Washer/Dryer
- Washroom Facilities on Main Floor
- Bedroom on Main Floor

# Housing Services – Ineligible Repairs

- Mold Remediation
- Asbestos Remediation
- Cosmetic Repairs
- Landscaping
- Cost Incurred Prior to Approval in Writing
- Efficiency Upgrades – Referrals can be made to Efficiency Nova Scotia.


# Housing Services – Eligibility

- Ownership and Tenancy Status
- Previous Assistance
- Type of Repairs
- Total Household Income
  - **One Bedroom - \$57,500 (individual or couple)**
  - **Two Bedroom - \$66,000 (individual or couple + one other)**
  - **Three Bedroom - \$78,000 (individual or couple + two others)**

# Housing Services – Considerations

- Applicants are required to engage the contractor(s) of their choosing.
- The relationship for the completion of repair work is between the applicant and the contractor.
- Housing Services performs inspections for program compliance only.
- You may be required to contribute if the cost exceed program funding.

# Other Resources

- **211 Nova Scotia:**  **Nova Scotia** | Help Starts Here
  - **Dial 211 on your phone**
  - **Visit - [ns.211.ca](https://ns.211.ca)**
- **Efficiency Nova Scotia**
  - **Dial 877-999-6035**
  - **Visit - [www.energycyns.ca](https://www.energycyns.ca)**

# Housing Services – The Main Point

If you have a housing related issue, call our office.



# Thank You!

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