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Investing in your future. Together.

The Co-operators is proud to sponsor the 2025 NBNPHA Annual Conference, reflecting our commitment to building a resilient and sustainable society. As a Canadian co-operative dedicated to financial security and community well-being, we support initiatives that foster collaboration and innovation in addressing housing challenges. This conference aligns with our values of responsibility, inclusion, and integrity, and we are honoured to contribute to meaningful dialogue and solutions for affordable housing in New Brunswick.

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Conference Attendees, Colleagues, and Friends,

Welcome to the New Brunswick Non-Profit Housing Association 2025 Foundations for Growth Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting! It is a pleasure to gather with dedicated individuals committed to advancing affordable housing solutions across our province.

This year's conference continues the theme of Foundation for Growth, which reflects our collective efforts to enhance sustainability and foster innovation within the non-profit housing sector.

Over the next few days, we have an engaging agenda planned, including:

- Keynote Address by Dr. Carolyn Whitzman, a housing and social policy researcher.
- Workshops and Panels covering topics such as working with Housing NB, tenant and landlord relations, financing, maintenance, and more!
- Networking opportunities, including our Friday night social event featuring live music by Chad Prekaski.

As we convene, it is important to acknowledge the progress we've made over the past year, including:

- Hosting two regional meetings in all regions.
- Completing a substantial survey of the sector designed to help support current operations and growth for our members.
- Launching the first of a series of regional housing forums in Fredericton in January 2025.
- Strengthening our working relationship with key partners, including Housing NB, Tenant and Landlords Relations Office, and NB Power.

These accomplishments are a testament to the dedication and collaboration of our members, partners, and stakeholders. Looking ahead, we remain committed to service members and strengthen their ability to advocate for and deliver safe, sustainable, affordable long-term housing, through collaboration, education, and technology.

I would like to thank the Conference Committee members for their commitment and experience towards planning this event; Janet Flowers, Perry Kendall, Randall Leavitt, Guy Gravelle, Teri McMackin, Elizabeth Richards, Patricia Coucheir, Amanda Greene, and Patrick MacNaughton.

Your participation in this conference is vital as we share knowledge, build connections, and work together towards our shared mission. Thank you for being part of this journey. Let's make this conference a meaningful and productive experience for all.

Warm regards,

Peter Corbyn, P.Eng.

Executive Director

New Brunswick Non-Profit Housing Association



Peter Corbyn, P.Eng. Executive Director



Amanda Greene Member Services Manager - South



Patrick MacNaughton

Member Services Manager - North

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	THURSDAY,	MAY 29TH		
TIME	ACTIVITY	SPEAKER	LANGUAGE	ROOM
10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Registration		EN/FR	Lobby
1:00 pm - 1:20 pm	Welcome, Agenda Overview, and Sponsor Recognition	Peter Corbyn, NBNPHA	EN/FR	
1:20 pm - 1:30 pm	Welcome from Sistansisk (St. Mary's First Nation)	Sakom Polchies (Chief Allan Polchies)	EN	
1:30 pm - 1:40 pm	Welcome from the City of Fredericton	Mayor Kate Rogers	EN/FR	Ballroom
		Peter Corbyn, NBNPHA	EN/FR	
	Conference Overview, Survey Results, and Strategic	Roland Noel, President	FR	
40 pm - 2:40 pm Plan	Allison Ferris, Vice President	EN		
	Diane Tremblay, Secretary	FR		
		Mat Rouleau, Treasurer	EN	
2:40 pm - 3:30 pm	Keynote Speaker	Dr. Carolyn Whitzman	EN/FR	
3:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Break and Tradeshow			
4:00 pm - 4:15 pm	NB Community Land Trust Cooperative	Jody Kliffer, President	EN	
4:15 pm - 4:30 pm	NB Collaborative Housing Co-operative	Janet Flowers, President	EN/FR	Lobby
		Leigh Bursey, Miramichi	EN	Ballroom
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4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Municipal Role in Housing Devel	Trumcipal Note in nousing bevelopment	Janet Flowers, Fredericton	EN	
		Robert Audoux, Dieppe	EN/FR	
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Wine & Cheese and Trade Show			Lobby

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FRIDAY, MAY 30TH

TIME	ACTIVITY	SPEAKER	LANGUAGE	ROOM
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast and Trade Show			Ballroom
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome and Review	Peter Corbyn, NBNPHA	EN/FR	Ballroom
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	Regional Meetings	Miramichi	EN	Learning Library
		Chaleur - Peninsula	FR	Victoria
		Restigouche	FR	Carleton
		Madawaska-Victoria	FR	Woodside
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Break and Trade Show			Lobby
10:30 am - 11:45 am	Annual General Meeting	NBNPHA Board of Directors	EN/FR	Rallroom
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	Housing NB Hon. David Hickey, Housing NB E		EN/FR	Dalifuulli
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch			Ballroom
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Bus Tour (Advanced Tickets)	City of Fredericton - Planning	EN	Front Lobby
	Workshop 1E: Partnering with Housing NB	Elizabeth Richards, Carly Russell	EN	Victoria
1.00 pm - 2.00 pm	Workshop 2E: TLRO	Lyndsay Gauthier	EN/FR EN EN EN EN FR FR FR EN/FR EN/FR EN/FR EN FR FR FR FR FR FR EN FR EN	Aberdeen
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	Workshop 5F: RDC-Pre-Development Funding	Scott Lloy	EN EN FR FR	Carleton
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	Workshop 7F: Housing Hub	Nadine Fullerton	FR	Carleton
	Workshop 6E: Maintenance 101	Randall Leavitt	EN/FR Ballroom EN/FR Ballroom EN Ballroom EN Aberdeen EN Learning FR Victoria FR Woodside EN/FR Ballroom EN/FR Ballroom EN Front Lob EN Front Lob EN Aberdeen FR Carleton FR Aberdeen FR Aberdeen EN Hampste FR Aberdeen EN Learning FR Aberdeen FR Hamstea EN Aberdeen FR Learning FR Learning FR Learning EN Carleton FR Lobby Ballroom	Learning Library
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	Workshop 3E: NB Power	Michelle Arbeau	EN	Aberdeen
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	Workshop 6F: Maintenance 101	Guy Gravelle	FR	Learning Library
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Break			
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Reception			Lobby
6:30 pm 8:00 pm	Minister's Dinner and Awards			Ballroom
8:00 pm - 12:00 am	Social Evening and Entertainment			Ballroom

SATURDAY, MAY 31ST				
TIME	ACTIVITY	SPEAKER	LANGUAGES	ROOM
8:00 am - 9:00 am	n - 9:00 am Breakfast			Ballroom
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Interactive History of NBNPHA	Members	EN/FR	Ballroom
11:00 am - 11:20 am	Door Prize Draw and Wrap-up	Peter Corbyn, NBNPHA	EN/FR	Ballroom

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This year, the NBNPHA launched a new initiative to bring young voices into the conversation on affordable housing by sponsoring youth under 30 to attend the conference. We are proud to welcome our inaugural group of youth participants, whose lived experiences and fresh perspectives enrich our discussions and strengthen our sector's future. A heartfelt thank you to the generous sponsors who made this possible—your support is an investment in the next generation of housing leaders.







Keynote Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Whitzman

Senior Housing Researcher and Adjunct Professor, School of Cities, Author

Dr. Carolyn Whitzman is a housing and social policy researcher. She has worked as an expert advisor to UBC's Housing Assessment Resource Tools (HART) project, which developed standardized best practices for analyzing housing need, using government land for nonmarket housing, and nonmarket property acquisition, using detailed, open data. These tools have influenced federal housing policy. Currently, she works as a senior housing researcher at the University of Toronto's School of Cities, analyzing best practices to scale affordable 'missing middle', modular, and replicable housing. She is on the federal government's Expert Panel on the Homebuilding Industry.

Carolyn is the author, co-author or lead editor of six books, including Home Truths: Fixing Canada's Housing Crisis (UBC On Point Press, October 2024) and Clara at the Door with a Revolver: the scandalous Black suspect, the exemplary white son, and the murder that shocked Toronto (UBC On Point Press, 2023). She is the author or co-author of over 80 book chapters, articles, and reports, on issues related to the right to the city. She has provided expertise to national, state/provincial and local governments, UN Women, UN Habitat, and private and non-profit organizations.

Hon. David Hickey

Minister responsible for the New Brunswick Housing Corporation

Minister David Hickey was elected as the Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) for Saint John Harbour on October 21, 2024, as part of the 61st Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick. Prior to provincial politics, Minister Hickey served on Saint John Council for two terms, representing Ward 3. During that time, he was the Chair of the Public Safety Committee and the Standing Committee on Homelessness.

Born and raised in Saint John, Minister Hickey graduated from Saint John High School before pursuing studies in business and economics at the University of New Brunswick.

Minister Hickey lives in Saint John's Waterloo Village and is actively involved with organizations such as People United in the Lower South End (PULSE) and Fresh Start, both of which focus on supporting vulnerable populations.





Mayor Kate Rogers

Mayor, City of Fredericton

Kate Rogers has dedicated her career to building community through leadership roles in the non-profit and charitable sector, in arts and cultural development, and in policy research and creation.

With a master's degree in political science, Rogers is committed to good governance, public engagement, and informed decision-making. This is Rogers' third term on Fredericton City Council. She was first elected in May 2012 and again in May 2016. She served as Deputy Mayor for the City of Fredericton for a two-year term in May 2016. In May 2021, Kate Rogers was elected as Mayor of Fredericton, she is the first woman to serve in that role.

Throughout her time on City Council, Rogers served on numerous committees and presently chairs the Fredericton Affordable Housing Committee and sits as an ex officio member on all City of Fredericton standing committees.



Sakom (Chief) Allan Polchies

Sitansisk (St. Mary's First Nation)

Sakom (Chief) Allan Polchies Jr., a trailblazer in Atlantic Canada's political landscape. In 2018, he proudly stepped into history as the region's inaugural LGBTQ2Al+ chief, marking a profound moment of inclusivity and progress. With a remarkable tenure spanning 13 years as a devoted councillor at St. Mary's First Nation, Chief Polchies has long been a pillar of support and advocacy for his Community. Prior to his esteemed role as Chief, he honed his skills and passion within the Band Administration, serving as a Community Planner. This invaluable experience immersed him in the heartbeat of Community life, where he actively participated in preserving language, culture, and traditions, alongside joyous communal celebrations. Chief Polchies is defined by his unwavering commitment to lead with integrity, dedication, and boundless enthusiasm. His vision for a brighter future is not just a promise but a daily pursuit. With each sunrise, he rededicates himself to the noble cause of advancing his people and their aspirations, ensuring that every tomorrow holds greater promise and prosperity.

Jody KlifferNew Brunswick Community Land Trust Co-operative

Jody is an experienced urban planner who has been working in the field for almost 15 years. He is passionate about building vibrant communities that celebrate their unique spaces in ways that are inclusive, accessible, and sustainable. In his previous roles Jody worked as a planner for the City of Saint John and a project manager in the not-for-profit housing sector. Much of his professional life has been dedicated to developing policy, bylaws, and strategic plans that bring forward best practices in modern urban planning, including proposing systemic reforms at the provincial level that would result in more affordable housing projects.





Nadine Fullarton
Chief Executive Officer, Housing Hub of New Brunswick

Nadine Fullarton has over 17 years of experience in advocacy, strategic communications, operational and association management, leading organizations like the Construction Association of New Brunswick-Moncton (400+ members), Association of Consulting Engineering Companies – New Brunswick along with other non-profit membership-based organizations in the province. She holds a BA in International Development Studies and French from Dalhousie University and is dedicated to fostering sustainable communities in New Brunswick.

Seth Asimakos

CEO and Co-Founder, Kaléidoscope Social Impact (KSI)

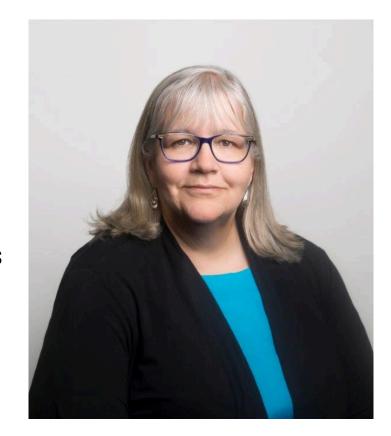
Seth Asimakos is the CEO and Co-Founder of Kaléidoscope Social Impact (KSI), and its sister companies, KSI Social Impact Fund and KSI Real Estate. Originally launched in 1999 as the Saint John Community Loan Fund, KSI has supported over 9,000 individuals in building employment skills, facilitated access to affordable housing for 450 people, and helped launch 400 enterprises. A passionate advocate for affordable housing, Seth is currently focused on building 50 units of affordable housing through KSI's real estate division and growing the KSI Fund to \$10 million. He believes a larger fund is essential to combat the growing housing crisis and ensure the most vulnerable have access to safe, affordable homes. He also believes, we can build this here, in NB. In addition to his local work, Seth sits on various boards and committees at both the national and provincial levels to build the social finance, housing, social enterprise, and employment development fields. He has worked across Canada and in Latin America and holds a Master of Science in Planning and Development.



Janet Flowers

New Brunswick Collaborative Housing Co-operative

Janet has extensive experience in the public and non-profit sectors, holding leadership roles in housing, healthcare, and finance/property management. She spent several years at BC Housing, supporting affordable housing development, and at CMHC, first in Vancouver on Granville Island and then in Ottawa in the Affordable Housing Division. In 2023, Janet joined the City of Fredericton as its first Affordable Housing Development Coordinator, leading the implementation of the City's Affordable Housing Strategy and working with developers through the Housing Accelerator Program. She is also the founding President of the New Brunswick Collaborative Housing Cooperative, dedicated to expanding safe, inclusive, and sustainable co-operative housing across the province. Janet is a CPA, CA, with additional training in real estate financing, project management, and leadership, including programs at the Rotman School and the Global Risk Institute.



Michelle Arbeau

Program Coordinator, NB Power, Energy Efficiency Services

Michelle Arbeau is an experienced efficiency professional who has been working in the industry for over 18 years. As a liaison for non-profit housing organizations, her role is to help groups navigate the currently available SaveEnergyNB efficiency programs so that they can take full advantage of their benefits. In addition to this role, Michelle is the Program Coordinator for SaveEnergyNB's New Construction Commercial and Industrial Program. In her free time, Michelle enjoys spending time with family, going to the gym, paddleboarding and hiking.



Randall Leavitt

Fredericton Non-Profit Housing Corporation

Randall has worked with Fredericton Non-Profit Housing for a decade in various capacities. With past experience flipping homes and in retail management, he brings a wide range of skills to being an affordable housing advocate and enjoys developing relationships in the industry.



Guy Gravelle

McAdam Seniors Housing Complex

Guy lived and worked all his life in the Gatineau/Ottawa region until moving to McAdam, NB in 2017. Starting as a Master Electrician, his career progressed to general contracting and senior project management, including federal government projects like embassy refurbishments, federal buildings, and the North Warning System in Nunavut. He also managed condo builds for Brigil/Danmar and a data centre expansion for Bell Canada. After over 40 years in construction and project management, he retired and relocated to New Brunswick, where he now volunteers on several boards: McAdam Seniors Housing Complex, McAdam Heart and Home, the NB Non-Profit Housing Association, and as Director of the Fredericton Region. He enjoys fishing, golf, and a good cigar.





Elizabeth Richards
Provincial Program Consultant, Housing NB

Elizabeth Richards is a provincial program consultant for Housing NB working at Central supporting the regions in program delivery. She has been with the corporation since early 2022 and thoroughly enjoys working with non-profit and co-op housing providers as it aligns with her community minded values.



Hélène PlourdeHousing Development Specialist, Housing NB

Hélène Plourde is a Housing Development Specialist with Housing NB. She has been working within Housing NB for 22 years, holding various positions. She has an extensive knowledge of Housing NB programs, particularly the Non-Profit Housing Program and the Affordable Rental Housing Program. She holds a Bachelor of Education, a Certificate V in Education with a minor in French and a Diploma in Business Administration, all obtained from the University of Moncton.



Josée BosséHousing Development Specialist, Housing NB

Josée Bossé is a Housing Development Specialist with Housing NB. She joined the team last September and is responsible for the Affordable Rental Housing Program as well as the Rental Residential Rehabilitation program. She holds a bachelor's degree from the Université de Moncton, with a major in Psychology and a minor in Management. Since graduating, she has worked in both the private and government sectors, gaining several years of experience in supportive client services.



Carly Russell
Housing Development Specialist, Housing NB

Carly Russell, is a Housing Development Specialist with Housing NB. She has been with the organization for four years and has been working with the Affordable Rental Housing Program and other landlord grant programs since the start. Prior to working for Housing NB she worked in the non-profit sector for many years. Carly has a diploma in Criminal Justice from NBCC and a Bachelor of Arts with a double major in Criminology and Sociology from Saint Thomas University.



Eric LeBlancPortfolio Manager, Northern Zone, Housing NB

Eric LeBlanc joined the New Brunswick Housing Corporation in 2024 as Portfolio Manager for the Edmundston and Restigouche regions. With over 16 years of experience in the banking sector—most recently as a mortgage specialist and advisor at RBC—and more than a decade in manufacturing management, Eric brings a diverse background in financial services and operations to the housing sector. He holds a business degree in Marketing from Université de Moncton. A committed community volunteer, Eric has served as Vice President of Soccer Edmundston and was the founding president and organizer of the first two "Salon de l'auto d'Edmundston." Outside of work, he enjoys salmon fishing, cycling, downhill skiing, and skating. He is a proud father to a 17-year-old daughter and stepfather to a 21-year-old son.

Lyndsay Gauthier

Outreach and Education Liason, Tenant and Landlord Relations Office

Lyndsay Gauthier is based in Moncton, NB, and has been with the Tenant and Landlord Relations Office for 2.5 years, recently stepping into the role of Outreach and Education Liaison. With a strong passion for learning and community engagement, she has spent the past 1.5 years building connections between the TLRO and the New Brunswick Non-Profit Housing Association.





Elizabeth Dixon
Tenant and Landlord Relations Office

Elizabeth Dixon, bilingual speaker who works for the Tenant and Landlord Relations Office. Based out of Grand-Falls her work focuses on mediating and improving tenant-landlord relations. Beyond her professional endeavors, she leads an active lifestyle and cherishes time with her family.

Alexis Hutchinson Tripp

Project Executive, Regional Development Corporation

Alexis Hutchison Tripp has supported community and economic development across New Brunswick since. 2015. Alexis works directly with municipalities, non-profits, and government departments to evaluate funding requests, provide strategic guidance, and advance projects that address both local and regional priorities. With a strong understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing communities, she supports initiatives that fill program and funding gaps, foster vibrant and inclusive communities, and promote sustainable economic growth. Her work includes advising not-for-profit organizations on planning and strategies that align with long-term development goals—an area especially relevant to the housing sector. Actively engaged in interdepartmental and provincial committees, Alexis brings a collaborative, solution-focused approach to community building.





Scott LloyDirector, Strategic Infrastructure, Regional Development Corporation

Scott joined the Regional Development Corporation, where he manages funding programs that support community infrastructure and housing across New Brunswick in 2022. With over two decades of experience in environmental policy and engineering—including roles in the Department of Environment and Local Government—Scott brings a systems-level understanding to sustainable community development. He holds a Master's in Chemical Engineering (Environmental Studies) and has served in leadership roles with several environmental organizations, while continuing to volunteer locally and stay active outdoors with his family.



Isabelle LaplanteSenior Economic Development & Housing Coordinator, Edmunston Housing

Isabelle has over twenty years of experience in community economic development. She began her career with the Enterprise Network and joined the City of Edmundston's economic development team in 2015.

Since 2024, she has been serving as the housing coordinator for the municipality.



Leigh BurseyHousing Initiatives Manager, Greater Miramichi Service Commission

Leigh Bursey is an activist-researcher based in Blackville, New Brunswick, and a former municipal politician, bestselling author, and homeless youth. He has worked as a shelter manager, housing case manager, and now serves as Housing Initiatives Manager with the Greater Miramichi Regional Service Commission. He co-founded Streetfriends initiatives in Mount Pearl and Brockville, building relationships with people in tent encampments. Leigh serves as Vice President of CHRA, sits on the CIH Canada board and the National Alliance to End Rural and Remote Homelessness Advisory Committee, and is board secretary for Miramichi Housing Solutions. A passionate advocate, Leigh brings lived expertise to housing work and believes in learning and growing through shared experience.



Robert Audoux
Director, Business Development, Expansion Dieppe

Robert Audoux is a committed player in the Regional Economic Development space as Director of Business
Development at Expansion Dieppe. With a diverse background ranging from the federal public service to aeronautics, information technology and international business relations, he puts his experience to work for a dynamic, fast-growing municipality. His focus is on attracting quality investments and supporting the establishment and expansion of businesses in Dieppe. He collaborates proactively with both private sector and government leaders for the benefit of the region. Robert has a passion for efficiency, strategic growth, and building strong relationships. With an M.B.A. from Université de Moncton, he thrives on identifying synergies between businesses and helping companies save time in their development process. Robert is driven by results—and by seeing positive impact on his clients.

Originally from Saint-Pierre et Miquelon, Robert moved to Canada in 1999 to study at the Université de Moncton, and now lives in Dieppe with his family.



Stephan RichardDirector of Development, Community Housing Transformation Centre

With over 15 years of senior leadership experience in government and the non-profit sector, Stephan Richard has built a reputation as a bridge-builder—connecting sectors, breaking down silos, and driving bold, sustainable housing solutions. As Director of Development at the Community Housing Transformation Centre, Stephan leads national efforts to help Canada's non-profit and co-operative housing sector scale up without compromising its values—anchoring growth in community ownership, equity, and long-term resilience. Under his leadership, the Centre delivers transformation projects that build organizational capacity, amplify impact, and open doors to new opportunities for the sector. Previously, Stephan served as Executive Director of Housing Solutions and Development with the Nova Scotia Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, where he played a key role in strengthening provincial support for the community housing sector. A former journalist with deep roots in public policy, program delivery, and strategic communications, Stephan is known for turning complexity into clarity—and bold ideas into actionable outcomes. He thrives in the grey zones—those uncharted spaces where there's no playbook, but plenty of potential to spark lasting social change.

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The New Brunswick Housing Corporation is committed to creating the conditions for safe, affordable and accessible housing for all New Brunswickers. We build, maintain and operate provincially owned housing, develop and deliver housing programs and initiatives, and provide residential tenancy services. We work with all levels of government and stakeholder groups, including not-for profit organizations, educational institutes, and the private sector, to improve housing options for all New Brunswickers.



CMHC is a financial institution that provides housing finance solutions and evidence-based insights backed by the latest research and data. We deliver the government's housing programs. Our goal is to ensure everyone living in Canada has a place to call home.

SILVER SPONSOR



The City of Fredericton is a proud sponsor committed to building strong, inclusive communities. As a municipality actively working to expand affordable housing and support vulnerable populations, we recognize the importance of sector-wide collaboration and shared learning. This conference provides an essential platform for advancing innovative solutions and sustainable growth in housing across New Brunswick.

BRONZE SPONSORS



Non-profit housing organizations in New Brunswick can benefit from rebates to enhance the energy efficiency of their properties. SaveEnergyNB efficiency programs are proudly delivered by NB Power and aim to reduce energy consumption, lower utility bills, and create more comfortable living space.



Kaleidoscope Social Impact sponsorship reflects our commitment to fostering self-reliance and improving social conditions through entrepreneurship and community development. By supporting this event, we aim to contribute to the advancement of affordable housing solutions and the empowerment of individuals and organizations across New Brunswick.

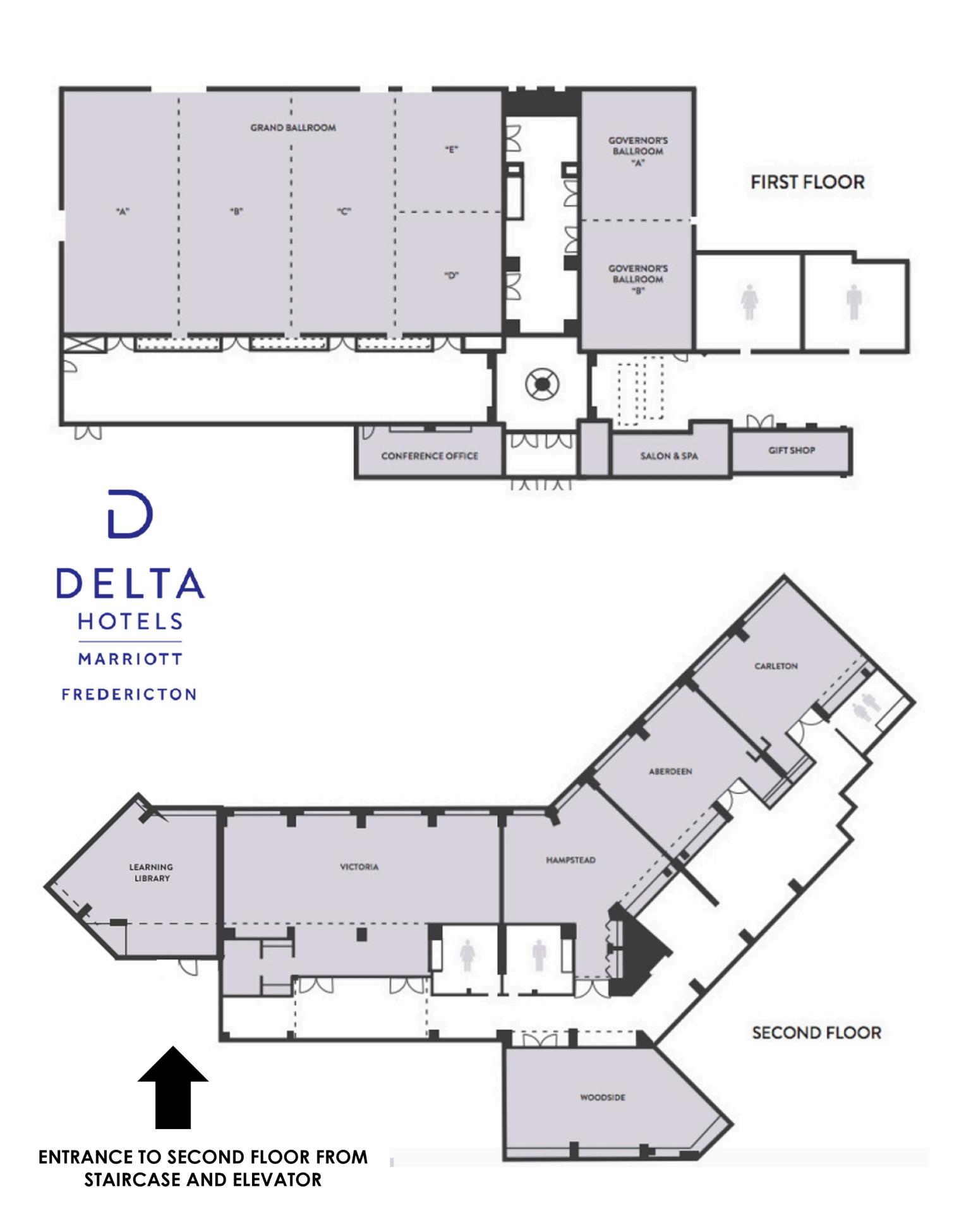
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GlassSKY is proud to sponsor a youth attendee at the 2025 NBNPHA Annual Conference. Our commitment to empowering the next generation of leaders aligns with the conference's goal of amplifying young voices in the housing sector. By supporting youth participation, we aim to foster inclusive dialogue and innovative solutions to address New Brunswick's housing challenges.



Fairview Consulting supports young voices in the housing sector because we believe innovation comes from inclusion. Our work with non-profits, co-ops, and municipalities is rooted in the idea that transformative change requires diverse perspectives. Supporting student participation at the NBNPHA Conference reflects our commitment to equity, mentorship, and community-driven solutions.



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