



September 5, 2023

Housing Challenge Fund Deadline: September 29

\$20 million allocated to rural housing starts.

Community and not-for-profit organizations, and private developers can build new rental properties with provincial financial assistance. The Housing Challenge Fund [pilot](#) has been renewed to help fast-track new housing stock across the Island. With a 10-year 2-per-cent interest rate over 25 years and property tax rebates, the Province is looking to grow housing supply in both urban and rural areas. Find details and how to apply [HERE](#).

Youth on Board – Opportunity for Non-Profits & Municipalities

Applications and Expressions of Interest will be accepted until Monday, September 18, 2023.

The [Youth-on-Board Program](#) is an opportunity for 25 rural PEI high-school students to be part of a rural non-profit board or municipal council. Non-profit boards and municipal councils will benefit from a youth perspective and help foster community involvement in the next generation. Youth will connect with a mentor who will help guide and educate them on board/council functionality. This is a fantastic opportunity for youth to develop resume skills and networking experiences. Check [HERE](#) for details.

Upcoming Training Sessions at Rural Action Centres

Our training schedule resumes in a few weeks. Check out our workshops and register today.

Sept. 12	Workforce Development (Stress Management)	Montague
Sept. 14-Oct 5	Successful Business Plan Workshops (4-part series)	Montague
Sept. 19-20	Planning for Perfection (2-part series)	Alberton
Sept. 19	Workforce Development (Staying Motivated)	Montague
Sept. 26	Workforce Development (Solving Workplace Problems)	Montague

How to be prepared for an Emergency

As the fall hurricane season approaches, all Islanders are encouraged to prepare an emergency kit and to take the appropriate precautions in advance. We recommend everyone to review the [How to be prepared for an Emergency](#) website. Every household needs an emergency plan. Your plan will help you and your family know what to do in an emergency. Download your personal [emergency planning guide](#). It will take you about 20 minutes to create your personalized plan.

The [Reception Centre Resiliency Program](#) provides financial assistance to municipalities and organizations for the purchase and installation of generators. Contact your **Community Development Officer** at your local Rural Action Centre for more information.

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