

Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board

Activity Plan 2023-26

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REFERENCE PERIOD

This plan covers the fiscal period of April 1, 2023 through to March 31, 2026.

Chairperson's Message

As Chair of the Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board (the Board), I am pleased to submit this Activity Plan for the fiscal years 2023-26. This Plan is prepared in accordance with the **Transparency and Accountability Act**, which requires the Board to prepare a performance-based activity plan based on its categorization as a Category 3 Government entity. In developing this Plan, the Board has considered the strategic directions of Government. The Board is accountable for the preparation of this Plan and for the achievement of its objectives.

The Board is primarily mandated to report to and advise the Minister on the application of the **Buildings Accessibility Act** and its associated regulations, and on other matters related to the Act and its regulations that may be assigned to the Board by the Minister.

We look forward to fulfilling this mandate throughout the 2023-26 planning period.

Regards,

Dennis Gill

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Overview

The Board is appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council under the authority of section 18 of the **Buildings Accessibility Act** (the Act). The Board consists of a chairperson, representatives of persons with disabilities, one representative of the department (other than the Director of Engineering and Inspection Services), and those other members that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint. This public body, which is funded by Digital Government and Service Newfoundland and Labrador (DGSNL), serves solely in an advisory capacity.

Mandate

The mandate of the Board is to report to and advise the Minister of DGSNL on the application of the Act and its associated regulations, and on other matters related to the Act and regulations that may be assigned to the Board by the Minister.

Vision

The Board seeks to ensure the fair and equitable application of its mandate as outlined in the legislation.

Primary Clients

The Board's clients are those who benefit from improvements resulting from the Board's advice to the Minister. These include the general public, persons with disabilities and those representing the interests of persons with disabilities.

Objective

The following objective represents the focus of the Board in each year of this Plan and includes performance measurement information to assist the entity and the public in monitoring and evaluating success.

By March 31, 2024, 2025, and 2026, the Board will have advised the responsible Minister on matters pertaining to accessibility in buildings, associated entrances, parking spaces, grounds, walkways, and other facilities, as per its mandate.

Indicators

- Meetings held, as required.
- Advice provided to Minister on the application of the Act and the regulations.
- Other activities undertaken, as assigned by the Minister.



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