



Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board

Annual Activity
Report 2025-2026

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REFERENCE PERIOD

This report covers the period of April 1, 2025, through to March 31, 2026.

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Chairperson's Message

As Chairperson of the Buildings Accessibility Advisory Board (the Board), I am pleased to submit the Annual Activity Report for April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026.

This report is prepared in compliance with the **Transparency and Accountability Act**, which requires the Board to prepare a yearly report as a Category 3 entity. The Board is accountable for the preparation of this report and for the results.

On behalf of the members of the Board, I want to reaffirm our commitment to working with stakeholders to provide strategic advice to the Minister of Government Services on the application of the **Buildings Accessibility Act** and its associated regulations.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dennis Gill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Dennis Gill

Overview

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

The following is a list of active members serving on the Advisory Council as of March 31, 2026:

Member	Representation
Dennis Gill	Chairperson
Brittany Mouland	Vice-Chairperson
Robert Menchenton	Member
Randy Sooley	Member
Rose Wilson	Member
Vacant	Member
Gail Boland Assistant Deputy Minister Government Services	

Vision

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

Mandate

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

Highlights and Partnerships

The Board engages with various stakeholders and groups to inform its recommendations on accessibility standards and legislative improvements. Engagement with these stakeholders provides valuable lived experience and technical perspectives that help identify accessibility barriers and opportunities for improvement. This partnership supports the Board's mandate and contributes to more accessible and inclusive environments for persons with disabilities in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Report on Performance

This Report outlines the Board's activities from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026, including the objectives achieved as outlined in the 2023-2026 Activity Plan.

Objective:

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.

- Result: No meetings were required during the 2025-2026 fiscal year, as the Department continued its work on recommendations previously provided by the Board.

Advice provided to Minister on the application of the Act and regulations.

- Result: No additional advice was required during the 2025-2026 fiscal year, as the Board's existing recommendations continued to inform departmental work and decision-making.

Other activities undertaken, as assigned by the Minister.

- Result: No other activities were assigned by the Minister

Opportunities and Challenges

The Board will support the advancement of accessibility in Newfoundland and Labrador by providing advice and recommendations to the Minister on the identification, removal, and prevention of barriers, consistent with its mandate under the Act.

The Board will strive to consider gender-based analysis+ factors in carrying out its duties. The Board recognizes that gender-based analysis+ includes many identity factors and how they interact with one another. These factors include but are not limited to sex, gender, language, race, ethnicity, culture, and disability.

Financial Statements

The Board is not required to submit audited financial statements.

