

ANNUAL REPORT

2023-24

Newfoundland and Labrador  
Bravery Award



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

As Chair of the Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel, I am pleased to present our annual report for the period April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is established under the **Bravery Award Act** and its membership is appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is a category 3 entity for planning and reporting purposes under the **Transparency and Accountability Act**.

My signature is on behalf of the Newfoundland and Labrador Review Panel and is indicative of our accountability for the results reported herein.

Sincerely,



for  
Robert Fowler  
Fire Commissioner / Director of Fire Services  
Chair of the Bravery Award Review Panel

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## Overview

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award is an important part of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's honours system. It was established through the **Bravery Award Act** for the purpose of recognizing citizens of the province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.

Any resident of Newfoundland and Labrador is eligible to be nominated for a Bravery Award. Incidents for which persons have been nominated for the Bravery Award include rendering assistance to an individual in danger of drowning or perishing in a fire.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council under the authority of section 4 of the **Bravery Award Act**. Membership is as follows:

- Chief of Police, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary,
- Assistant Commissioner, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and
- Fire Commissioner

The Review Panel meets as required to fulfill its mandate, which consists of accepting and considering nominations of persons eligible for the Bravery Award and recommending to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the names of persons eligible to receive it. The Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council acts as secretary to the Review Panel.

## Report on Performance

As the Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel has a singular focus that remains consistent from year to year, it reports on the same objective and indicators for each year of the planning period.

Section 3 of the **Bravery Award Act** states:

“The government of the province may present an award to a citizen of the province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.”

In accordance with the Act, the presentation of the Bravery Award is dictated by the occurrence of acts of bravery and nominations received.

### OBJECTIVE

By March 31, 2024, the Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel, where appropriate, will have made recommendations to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council regarding recipients of the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.

Indicator	Result
Meetings held as required	No meetings held
Considered nominations made for the Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award	Several nominations received and consideration is pending
Provided, where appropriate, recommendations to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council	No recommendations made

## **Financial Information**

The Provincial Protocol Office is the administrative office for the Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award. As the Review Panel did not meet and no Bravery Awards were given out in reporting year 2023-24, no expenses were incurred by the Provincial Protocol Office.