

PROJECT SUNSHINE

St. Andrews Seniors Housing Association

2020-2021

St. Andrews Seniors Housing Association (S.A.S.H.A.), a sixteen-unit affordable housing complex for the senior population, is located in the village of St. Andrews, Nova Scotia. It was built in two phases, each with eight apartments.

In August 2020, the Board of Directors of S.A.S.H.A. decided to proceed with Project Sunshine, which has two goals. One is to make the facility as energy efficient as possible. The second is to generate renewable energy. Thanks to the ongoing support and guidance from Efficiency Nova Scotia, the Board of Directors of S.A.S.H.A. have completed the necessary work to make the facility as energy efficient as possible (i.e. goal one).

As of December 2020, the following projects have been completed in order to improve energy efficiency: increased the R value of the attic insulation, installed nine new heat pumps, installed LED lights in all corridors, installed thermostat controls, installed new attic hatches in four locations and upgraded insulation, and installed HRV controls.

As of February 2021, the goal of generating renewable energy (i.e. goal two) is in its final stages of completion with ground-mounted solar panels being installed. This is possible through the support of East Coast Credit Union in addition to Efficiency Nova Scotia. For more information, visit the [Solar Project update](#) on the St. Andrews Partnership website.

It is with the support of Efficiency Nova Scotia, and the patience of the tenants at S.A.S.H.A., that the board of directors were able to make these improvements for current and future tenants of S.A.S.H.A. to benefit from for years to come.



