

SHELBURNE COUNTY

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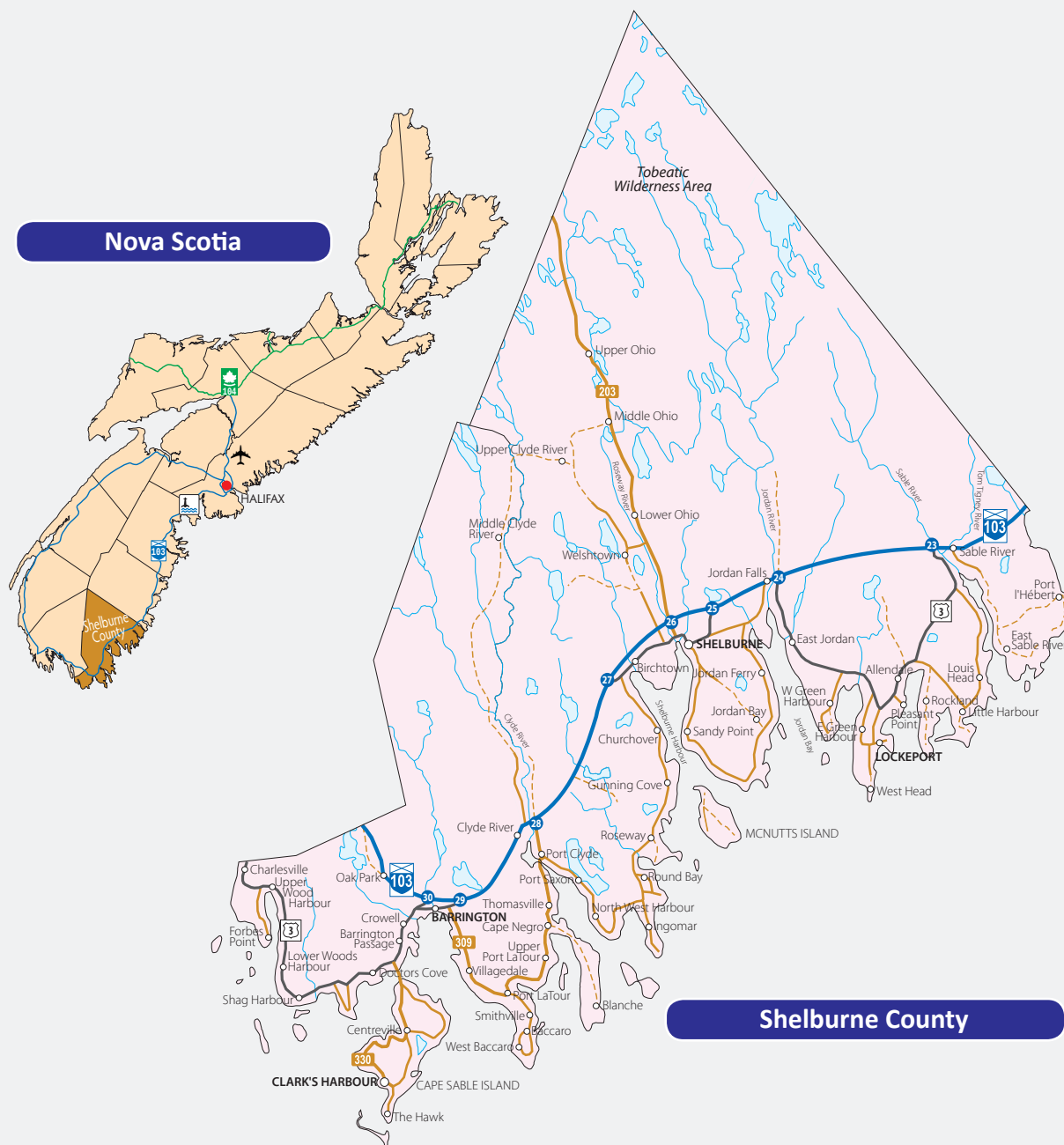
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Nova Scotia



Shelburne County

Welcome to Shelburne County

Fishing Boat - Eleanor / Lonnie Snow

Conveniently located less than an hour from Yarmouth and just two hours from Halifax, Shelburne County is a unique rural community with a lot to offer and experience. Shelburne County's coastal setting, together with its historic charm, rich culture, and economic and natural diversity make it a prime location for visitors and residents alike. Caring people, safe neighborhoods along with a bounty of white sand beaches, Shelburne County is your gateway to Canada's Ocean Playground.

With our rich maritime history, one of the best natural harbours in the world and lobster capital of Canada designation we value a quality of life that is second to none. Whether you are looking for a place to visit, live or build your business, Shelburne County welcomes you.

Why Here?

Location

Shelburne County is located on the southern end of the beautiful South Shore of Nova Scotia. Our access to the 103 Highway, ice free ports, two hour proximity to Halifax International Airport and the Digby-Saint John Ferry, and less than an hour from the Yarmouth Ferry service, makes Shelburne County a prime getaway spot for visitors.

Quality of Life

We believe you should be able to live where you work. With our many pristine, white sand beaches, multi-use trails, an established sailing academy and a spectacular eighteen hole golf course, Shelburne County truly is a great place to live and work.

Health Services

Shelburne County has many health and wellness services available, from in and out patient care at Roseway Hospital to a variety of senior assisted living facilities. Our new Collaborative Health Care Centre will be home to a collaborative health care team. This team based environment is attractive and will assist in the recruitment and retainment of health care professionals to the County.

Low Prices

There is a wide variety of affordable real estate available, from oceanfront to country farmhouse and lakeside cabin to industrial property, Shelburne County can offer what fits your needs.

Our Heritage

Shelburne County has some of Canada's richest history. Step into the 1700s at the bustling port of Shelburne and see how fishermen, shipbuilders and traders have done business for over 250 years. Explore the 18th-century site of the largest free Black Settlement in North America in Birchtown. Uncover your Mayflower and Planters ancestry, as you research your roots in one of our genealogical centres.

Outdoor Living

Shelburne County has some of the most incredible outdoor living experiences available. With amazing white sand beaches, paddle perfect waters, beautiful sunsets, birdwatching, unique festivals and events as well as the friendliest people around. It's all wrapped up in one place.

Progressive Councils

Shelburne County is structured with five separate Municipal Councils, each contributing to the growth and development of our County through wise investments in programs, services and infrastructure.

Quick Facts

Top Occupations

Natural resources, agriculture and related production	1,545
Sales and service	1,325
Manufacturing and utilities	1,000
Trades, transport and equipment operators	785
Business, finance and administration	715
Education, social, community and government	545
Health	415

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

**Median
household
income is
\$57,462**

Tax Rate / \$100 asses.	Residential	Commercial
Barrington Municipality	1.00	2.55
Shelburne Municipality	1.26	1.82
Shelburne Town	2.04	3.86
Lockeport	2.31	5.39
Clark's Harbour	1.65	5.58

Based on 2017/2018 fiscal budget year

Workforce

Participation Rate	58.7%
Employment Rate	52.1%
Unemployment Rate	11.3%

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

Population

Population of Shelburne County 13,966

Barrington	6,646
Clark's Harbour	758
Shelburne Municipality	4,288
Shelburne Town	1,743
Lockeport	531

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

Demography

Under 19 years of age	18%
Between 20-64 years of age	58%
Over 65 years of age	24%
Male	49.5%
Female	50.5%
Population Density	5.7/km ²

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

Average age
in Shelburne
County is
46.5

Housing

Woolen Mill Museum - Ken Chetwynd

Households

Households	6,380
Average Size	2.2 people
Median Household Income	\$57,462

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

Average Monthly Housing

Ownership	\$658
Tenant	\$640
Core Housing Need	14%

Source: Canadian Census Data: 2016

Climate

Shelburne County has a climate similar to many locations along the South Shore of Nova Scotia and coastal locations of northern New England. Due to its coastal location and moderating influence of the Atlantic Ocean, Shelburne County's climate is relatively temperate without major extremes in temperature.

Winters are wet and cold, with snow, freezing rain and rain frequent from mid December to the end of March. Snow is common in the winter months, however it rarely stays on the ground for extended periods of time. Spring is cool and frequently damp, while summer features some of the best weather in Canada from June to the end of September. Autumn weather features pleasant days and cool nights and this can extend well into November.

Average Temperature

	Jan	Mar	May	Jul	Sept	Nov
°C	-3.7	0.5	9.9	17.6	13.9	4.6

Source: www.eldoradocountyweather.com/canada/climate2/Shelburne.

Precipitation

Yearly Rainfall	1236.9 mm
Yearly Snowfall	154.2 cm

Source: www.eldoradocountyweather.com/canada/climate2/Shelburne.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Shelburne County offers endless opportunities for business development in the health and wellness sector. The ocean to forest atmosphere is the perfect backdrop for personal wellbeing with many day spa like experiences and engaging fitness classes.

In addition, we have a number of great general practitioners, internal medical specialists, dentists, optometrists, home care support and pharmacies.

Employers

Bayside Home
Roseway Manor
Roseway Hospital
Shelburne Association Supporting Inclusion
Surf Lodge Nursing Home

FISHERY

Over 1,300 of Shelburne County's 7,100 total workers are directly employed in marine industries. In support of this robust industry Shelburne County also features many shipbuilding and repair facilities. Shelburne County enjoys a year-round harvesting, processing and exporting fisheries based industry.

Employers

Clearwater Seafoods
Cotter's Ocean Products
Fisherman's Market
I. Deveau Fisheries
Independent Fisheries
James L. Mood Fisheries
R. Baker Fisheries
Sable Fish Packers
SeaStar Seafoods

Economy

Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)

The Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency works to create opportunities for economic growth in Atlantic Canada by helping businesses become more competitive, innovative and productive. ACOA works with communities to develop and diversify local economies, and champions the strengths of Atlantic Canada. ACOA puts special emphasis on initiatives that foster greater productivity, the commercialization of innovative technologies, improved global competitiveness and skills development.

Community Business Development Corporation (CBDC)

Community Business Development Corporation assists in the creation of small business and in the expansion and modernization of existing business by providing financial and technical services to entrepreneurs. Financial assistance is available in the form of loans, loan guarantees and equity financing to existing and aspiring entrepreneurs. Business counselling and advice, entrepreneurship development, training and technical support are also available for small business.

Business Resources

Chamber of Commerce

There are two Chambers of Commerce within the County, the Shelburne & Area Chamber of Commerce and the Barrington & Area Chamber of Commerce. Both chambers are non-profit organizations with a strong and diverse membership of businesses and professionals. They are available to assist any individual or business in finding the resources necessary to locate or re-locate to the Shelburne County area.

Western Regional Enterprise Network (Western REN)

The Regional Enterprise Networks connect businesses and enhance community through partnerships between the Province, the business community, municipalities and all other groups involved in economic development. The purpose is to guide and navigate regional economic development while supporting business growth in local communities.

Nova Scotia Business Inc. (NSBI)

Nova Scotia Business Inc. is working towards a strong, thriving and globally competitive Nova Scotia through attracting global investment to create new jobs across the province and working with companies in all communities to be more successful exporters.

Shelburne County's long coastline and deep harbours have been the primary driver of economic activity in the region for generations. There are twenty-two Harbour Authorities and Wharfs located throughout Shelburne County's rural communities:

Clark's Harbour
Cripple Creek
East Side Port L'Hebert
Falls Point
Forbes Point
Gunning Cove

Ingomar
Jones Harbour
Little Harbour
Lockeport
Lower Jordan Bay
Lower Sandy Point

Lower Woods Harbour
Newellton
Shag Harbour
Prospect Point
South Side
Stoney Island

Swims Point
Upper Port La Tour
West Green Harbour
West Head

Ports & Harbours

Shelburne Marine Terminal

Shelburne Marine Terminal provides wharf and cargo handling facilities for a number of vessels carrying diverse cargoes such as containers, bulk commodities and fish products. Shelburne's harbour has an ice-free, deep water advantage, ensuring year round access.

Shelburne Marine Industrial Park

Shelburne Marine Industrial Park is perfectly positioned and well equipped to accommodate new and expanding businesses. Located on the southern tip of Nova Scotia, Shelburne is close to international shipping routes and also within easy reach of the most important Eastern seaboard ports in the USA.

The Best Natural Harbour

Shelburne Harbour is known as one of the best natural harbours in the world; the channel is 800 metres wide with a minimum depth of 9 metres through its narrows. The Harbour has safe anchorages for vessels in 13 metres of water.

Medical Services

New Collaborative Health Centre

The new Shelburne Collaborative Health Centre has been specially designed for a number of different health care providers working together with patients to provide coordinated care for individual health needs. Collaborative family practice teams have many benefits including continuing care, as the patient will build a trusting relationship with a team of health care providers.

Roseway Hospital

Roseway Hospital is a community hospital serving about 15,000 Shelburne County residents with primary care services, inpatient, ambulatory and emergency care. Nineteen inpatient beds include acute medical care, convalescent, cardiac care, pediatrics and care for people awaiting long-term care placement.

Clinic Programs Include:

Mental Health & Addiction, Continuing Care, Diabetes Education, Diagnostic Imaging, EKG, Laboratory Services, Palliative & Supportive Care, Public Health and Rehabilitation Services.

Visiting Specialists Include:

Ear, Nose & Throat, Audiologist, OB/Gyn, Internal Medicine, Hearing & Speech, Surgery Consultation, Respiratory Therapist, Orthotics, Pediatrician.

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Provides access to non-emergency health information and services. Registered Nurses will give you advice and information needed and provide reassurance concerning a variety of general health issues and questions.

Barrington Community Health Centre & Lockport Community Health Clinic

These locations offer blood collection services.

Supportive Health Services

Seniors Assisted Living Facilities

Shelburne County has three large homes that provide Senior Citizens a place they can feel protected and obtain the assistance they require to enable them to continue comfortable daily living.

Roseway Manor- located in the Municipality of Shelburne, 66 beds plus one respite bed

Bayside Home- located in the Municipality of Barrington, 62 beds

Surf Lodge - located in the Town of Lockeport, 36 beds

Shelburne Association Supporting Inclusion

Vocational Programs include four established businesses, offering unique services, quality products, and supporting individuals with disabilities in employment skills training.

Residential Programs include an eight-bed group home in the Town of Shelburne and a six-bed development residence in Barrington Passage which provides 24 hour support to individuals in the development of daily living skills.

Programs Offered:

- Life & Social Skills Training
- Independent Living Skills
- Community Awareness Skills
- Employment Skills
- Literacy & Computer Skills
- Individualized Pre-vocational/Vocational Training
- Broadened Day Options
- Recreation/Special Olympics
- School to Work Transition

Shelburne County Senior Safety & Services Society

Shelburne County Senior Safety & Services Society, a non-profit organization, works together with local government agencies to help our seniors stay safe and improve their quality of life.

Programs offered include safety workshops, in-home visits & safety check ins, senior safety outreach, vial of life program, free tax return preparation, special events, bus tours, assistance with home grants & housing needs, support solutions and continuing care referrals.

Recreation

Arenas

There are two arena facilities available in Shelburne County; Sandy Wickens Memorial Arena, in Barrington and Shelburne County Arena, in Shelburne. They are open for public skating, party rentals and host many recreational hockey games for public entertainment.

Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club & Marina

Situated at the head of one of the best natural harbours in the world, the seacoast Town of Shelburne is home to the Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club. At this hub of the community, you will also find a very active social program and great environment for those members who are not boaters. *Summer programming available.*

Barrington Municipal Pool

Municipality of Barrington owns and operates a heated outdoor pool with instructional programs, recreational swim times and also offers pool rentals.

River Hills Golf & Country Club

River Hills 18 hole golf course will take you along the beautiful Clyde River, through wooded hills with many spectacular views and can be enjoyed by golfers of all ages. *Also available on site are kitchen, bar and pro shop.*

Municipal Recreation Departments

Shelburne County has three Municipal Recreation & Parks Departments working together to provide a variety of programs for all community members.

Town of Lockeport

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Municipality of Barrington

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Recreation

Beaches

Some of Nova Scotia's most beautiful, dramatic, and natural coastline is found within Shelburne County. From the sheltered waters of Louis Head in the Sable River estuary to the open, white sand beaches of Cape Sable Island, an array of dynamic coastal ecosystems provide habitat for plants, birds and other wildlife. Several of our beaches are included in the international network of Important Bird Areas and are particularly special as they provide critical nesting habitat for endangered Piping Plovers or are important stopover sites for migrating shorebirds during late summer and fall.

Shaped by winds, waves and tides, our beaches are a source of wonder to all who visit. Spend a day or a week walking, kayaking, swimming, bird watching, taking photographs, stargazing or simply spend time in the beauty of nature.

- Crescent Beach - Lockeport
- Crow Neck Beach - Baccaro
- Daniel's Head Beach - Cape Sable Island
- Louis Head Beach - Louis Head
- North East Point Beach - Cape Sable Island
- Roseway Beach - Roseway
- Sand Hills Provincial Park - Barrington
- Sandy Point Beach - Sandy Point
- Stoney Island Beach - Cape Sable Island
- The Hawk Beach - Cape Sable Island
- Welkum Park - Welshtown

Organized Sport

Shelburne County supports a wide variety of organized sporting opportunities throughout each community including soccer, basketball, hockey, baseball, sailing and curling.

Parks

There are many parks and playgrounds located throughout the communities of Shelburne County. Graham's Park located in the Town of Shelburne is home to our local Splash Pad playground and Welkum Park located in the community of Welshtown offers a beautiful fresh water beach, large picnic area and accessible playground. Sherose Island Recreation Complex in Barrington is also home to a playground, community garden, walking trails and recreation facilities.

Shelburne County is home to two Provincial Parks; The Islands Provincial Park & Campground as well as Sand Hills Beach Provincial Park.

Trails

Shelburne County has over 100km of developed trail, 70 km of which is multi-use trail, open for use by off highway vehicles, bicycles and horses as well as walkers, runners and hikers.

While on the trails you will travel through wonderful forests, enjoy gorgeous sea views and encounter a wide variety of birds, trees and plants. Our trails are also lined with many geocaches to stop and find along the way.

Public Education

Elementary - There are five grade Primary to Six schools located throughout the communities of Shelburne County.

High School - Shelburne County has three grade 7-12 schools, offering a wide range of academic options. Students enrolled at Shelburne Regional High and Barrington Municipal High have the option of participating in the French Immersion Program.

Private Education

There are opportunities within Shelburne County for private education, which offer well rounded learning, nurturing and interactive programs.

Education

Post Secondary

Nova Scotia Community College - Shelburne Campus is a small campus, but there is nothing small about the experiences. The extraordinary support of the surrounding community is integral to the campus. Everything about this South Shore campus will make you feel at home. The campus offers full time programs in Adult High School Diploma, Continuing Care, Oceans Technology - Fisheries and Oceans, and Electrical and Pipe Trades. In addition to the full time programs, the campus offers continuing education courses in areas such as First Aid, Safety and Technology. Custom training is available to support industry. The campus is home to the School of Fisheries which provides the full suite of safety and required courses to support the fishery. Other services available include a library (open to the public) with access to Novanet, wireless access, meeting rooms, computer labs and video conference capability.

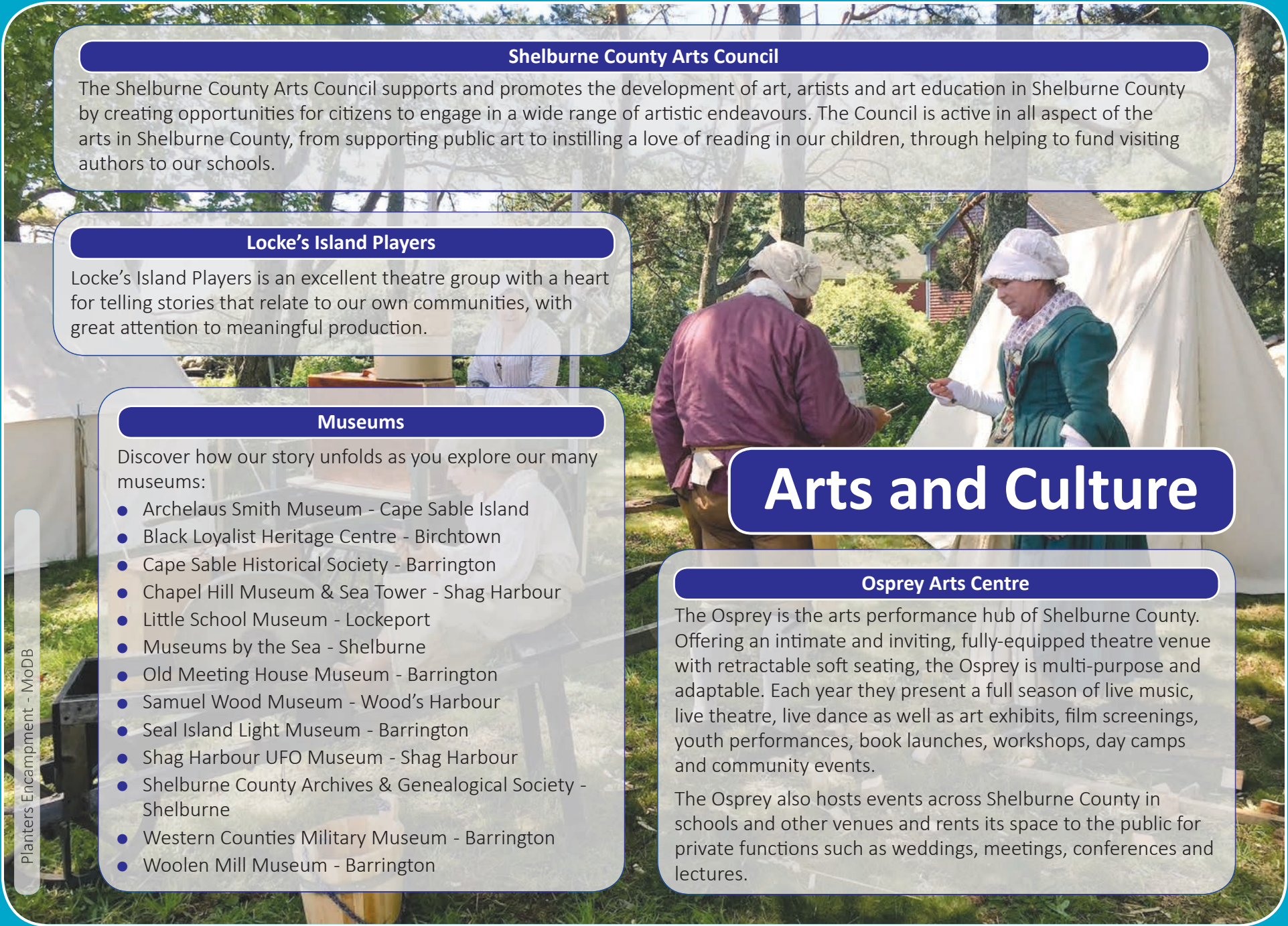
Shelburne County Learning Network is an adult upgrading program that presents opportunities for improving literacy and numeracy skills, increasing self-confidence, acquiring new skills and personal growth.

NSCC, Shelburne Campus

Festivals & Events

Our maritime hospitality, culture and heritage are celebrated all year long with our many festivals and events. From our Shelburne County Lobster Festival in June to our Christmas festivals in December, along with the many community suppers, breakfasts, variety shows, sporting events and more. You will discover something happening around each corner you take in Shelburne County, come celebrate with us!

- Shelburne County Lobster Festival
- Woods Harbour Days
- Canada Day Celebrations
- Shelburne Founders' Days
- Nova Scotia Marathon
- Shelburne County & Barrington Municipal Exhibitions
- Harmony Bazaar
- Shag Harbour UFO Festival
- Lockeport Sea Derby
- Shelburne Kayak Festival
- Whirligig & Weathervane Festival
- Lockie the Lobster Knitting Festival
- Christmas at the Causeway
- Shelburne Celebrates Christmas
- Christmas by the Sea
- And many more



Shelburne County Arts Council

The Shelburne County Arts Council supports and promotes the development of art, artists and art education in Shelburne County by creating opportunities for citizens to engage in a wide range of artistic endeavours. The Council is active in all aspect of the arts in Shelburne County, from supporting public art to instilling a love of reading in our children, through helping to fund visiting authors to our schools.

Locke's Island Players

Locke's Island Players is an excellent theatre group with a heart for telling stories that relate to our own communities, with great attention to meaningful production.

Museums

Discover how our story unfolds as you explore our many museums:

- Archelaus Smith Museum - Cape Sable Island
- Black Loyalist Heritage Centre - Birchtown
- Cape Sable Historical Society - Barrington
- Chapel Hill Museum & Sea Tower - Shag Harbour
- Little School Museum - Lockeport
- Museums by the Sea - Shelburne
- Old Meeting House Museum - Barrington
- Samuel Wood Museum - Wood's Harbour
- Seal Island Light Museum - Barrington
- Shag Harbour UFO Museum - Shag Harbour
- Shelburne County Archives & Genealogical Society - Shelburne
- Western Counties Military Museum - Barrington
- Woolen Mill Museum - Barrington

Arts and Culture

Osprey Arts Centre

The Osprey is the arts performance hub of Shelburne County. Offering an intimate and inviting, fully-equipped theatre venue with retractable soft seating, the Osprey is multi-purpose and adaptable. Each year they present a full season of live music, live theatre, live dance as well as art exhibits, film screenings, youth performances, book launches, workshops, day camps and community events.

The Osprey also hosts events across Shelburne County in schools and other venues and rents its space to the public for private functions such as weddings, meetings, conferences and lectures.

Community Groups

Shelburne County has many community centres and churches which are active in hosting various events, breakfasts, community suppers and other fundraisers throughout the year.

Community

Community Development

Shelburne County municipal units are investing in the development of our local communities. We encourage growth by supporting public art projects, developing service directories for community needs, advocating for housing and early years childcare, introducing innovative community engagement opportunities, matching interested volunteers with appropriate opportunities and supporting tourism initiatives.

We are stronger when we stand together.

Lobster Trap Christmas Tree - MoDB



Libraries

The Western Counties Regional Library operates four branches within Shelburne County. Library services include free book borrowing and internet access. The libraries also offer programs for all age groups, from children's activities to computer lessons for seniors. Large print and talking books are available for the visually impaired.

Downloadable e-book loans, books by mail, and other outreach services are offered. For more information, visit their website at www.westerncounties.ca

Lillian Benham Library

PO Box 265, 35 North Street
Lockeport, NS, B0T 1L0
Phone: (902) 656-2817

Barrington Municipal Library

PO Box 310, 3588 Highway 3
Barrington Passage, NS, B0W 1G0
Phone: (902) 637-3348

McKay Memorial Library

PO Box 158, 17 Glasgow Street
Shelburne, NS, B0T 1W0
Phone: (902) 875-3615

Clark's Harbour Branch Library

PO Box 189, 2648 Main Street
Clark's Harbour, NS, B0W 1P0
Phone: (902) 745-2885

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