



## Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Agriculture

### “Agriculture Expo 2018”

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The Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Agriculture is pleased to announce that the Agriculture Expo will be taking place at the Joe Byrne Memorial Stadium, Grand Falls-Windsor from September 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> 2018. This event is the largest show of its kind in the province.

The show features exhibits from various sectors of the province’s agriculture industry. The show’s key objective is to promote our industry and its importance to the province. The show will feature a farmers’ market offering vegetables, meats, fruits, berries, and eggs. The event also features lots of attractions for kids including, a petting farm, an interactive milking cow, and a chick hatchery.

“Canada has the best farmers in the world and the Agriculture Expo provides a great opportunity to raise the profile of the agriculture industry in Newfoundland and Labrador. This event highlights the diversity of the sector and provides the public with a chance to chat one-on-one with farmers and learn about one of Canada’s key growth industries and how it is a major driver in creating good middle-class jobs,” said the Honourable Lawrence MacAulay, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada.

“The Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Agriculture and the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources have collaborated on many initiatives, projects and programs over the years with the goal of creating meaningful growth for our province’s agriculture sector,” said the Honourable Gerry Byrne, Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources. “This event, along with the Expo being held in Corner Brook from October 12-14 are a great example of the good things that happen when we work in partnership with industry, farmers and producers. I thank everyone involved for organizing the Grand Falls-Windsor Expo and I encourage residents to come out and participate.”

“This event provides a tremendous opportunity for the public to meet farmers, see what the agriculture industry has to offer, and educate children about where their food comes from. This year’s agriculture awareness program will give Grand Falls-Windsor area students in grades four and five a full day of agriculture related programming. The show will also highlight how important local agriculture is to the province”, said NLFA President Merv Wiseman. “The Joe Byrne Memorial Stadium provides a great area to showcase exhibits, hold a farmers market, and have lots of other great activities for people of all ages.”

The Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Agriculture is an organization, which represents farmers and farmer groups in the province. Our motto is ‘Farmers Helping Farmers’, and we believe that by sharing information and speaking with a united voice, farmers can work more effectively for the betterment of the agriculture industry, and for the improvement of the province as a whole. The agriculture and agrifoods industry provides approximately 6,500 direct and indirect jobs in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Agriculture Expo 2018 is supported in by the Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Agriculture and the Canadian Agricultural Partnership. The Canadian Agricultural Partnership is a five-year policy framework agreement between the federal and provincial governments that is intended to innovate, grow and prosper the agriculture and agrifoods sector.

**“Farmers Helping Farmers”**

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