

Developing Guelph

**Our mission:
To help enterprises start, grow and thrive.**

Homebuilders and Developers

- Building Neighbourhoods
- Building Employment Buildings

Community Sustainability

- Valuable Group of Community Investors
- Partner in Economic and Business Development
- Involved in New Building Design Initiatives
- Connected to Social and Cultural Development

Environmental Sustainability

- A) Community Energy Initiative: City of Guelph
- B) Solar Cluster: Innovation Guelph

Economic Sustainability

- **Guelph Chamber of Commerce**
- **City of Guelph Economic Development**
- **Downtown Guelph Business Association**
- Developers Association
- Home Builders Association
- Business Enterprise Centre
- Realtors Association
- University of Guelph
- Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters
- Innovation Guelph
 - Cleantech: Solar Cluster
 - Life Sciences Cluster
 - IT Cluster
 - Advanced Manufacturing Cluster

Economic Development

Guelph Chamber of Commerce:

- Connect businesses to businesses in Guelph
- Provide business to business educational opportunities
- Facilitate business development and growth of companies within Guelph
- Act as the "voice of business" to three levels of government on political issues
- Tourism business support

City of Guelph Economic Development:

- Attract and retain businesses into the Guelph community
- Provide marketing support for businesses looking to come to Guelph
- Facilitate foreign direct investment into Guelph
- Act as the embassy for Guelph for levels of government or international visitors
- Tourism Strategy
- Land development

University of Guelph

- Promote knowledge transfer into Guelph and from Guelph to the world
- Enable a conduit for research to and from the business community
- Support economic development and business growth by graduating a highly skilled labour force
- Attract investment in research to the region, and connect to international research programs
- Tourism and Hospitality programs

Benchmarking and Planning

- Vacancy Rates
- New Construction
- Labour Market for New Businesses
 - 1000+ Jobs coming to Guelph in 2011
 - Housing Inventory
- Available Land for Greenfield
- Available Properties for Brownfield
- Downtown Development Opportunities
- Places to Grow, Employment and Residential
- Parking Garage, Library Development, Residential Opportunities

Working Together

- Advocacy: City Hall issues
 - Operational Review of Economic Development Streamlining Processes
 - Taxation and Development Charges
 - Competitiveness
 - Plans Going Forward
- Career Pathways: promoting skilled trades GDHBA sponsorship