

Province of B.C. Small Business Resources



SMALL BUSINESS BC:

Comprehensive business information and planning resources for starting and growing a business in British Columbia.

Toll Free: 1-800-667-2272
www.smallbusinessbc.ca

BIZPAL:

Online information source for business permits and licences from three levels of government.
www.bcbizpal.ca

ONESTOP BUSINESS REGISTRY:

Online business registration and transactions.
1-877-822-6727 www.bcbusinessregistry.ca

FRONT COUNTER BC:

A single window service for natural resource clients of provincial resource ministries and agencies to obtain all the information and authorizations they need to start or expand a business.
Toll Free: 1-800-663-7867 (Enquiry BC line)
www.frontcounterbc.gov.bc.ca

TRADE & INVEST BC:

Official trade, investment and exporting website for British Columbia.
www.britishcolumbia.ca

COLUMBIA BASIN TRUST:

Supports the people in the Basin to create a legacy of social, economic well-being.
Phone: 250-365-6633
www.cbt.org

VENTURE CAPITAL PROGRAMS:

Encourages investments in British Columbia businesses by providing investors with tax credits. www2.gov.bc.ca/

WOMEN'S ENTERPRISE CENTRE:

BC's leading resource for women entrepreneurs, offering skills development, business loans, free business guidance, business resources, mentoring, networking and events.
Toll Free: 1-800-643-7014
www.womensenterprise.ca

SERVICE BC & GOVERNMENTAGENTS:

Province-wide access to government services including key government transactions for business – in person, online or over the phone.
Toll Free: 1-800-663-7867 (Enquiry BC line)
www.governmentagents.gov.bc.ca

RESOURCE CENTRE FOR SMALL BUSINESS:

Information about provincial small business services, programs and publications.
www.resourcecentre.gov.bc.ca

FUTURPRENEUR:

Provides mentoring services and loans to grow the economy one young entrepreneur at a time.
Toll Free: 1-866-646-2922
www.futurpreneur.ca

BCBID:

Access, create, browse and compete on public sector business opportunities. www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca

RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES

LOWER COLUMBIA INITIATIVES

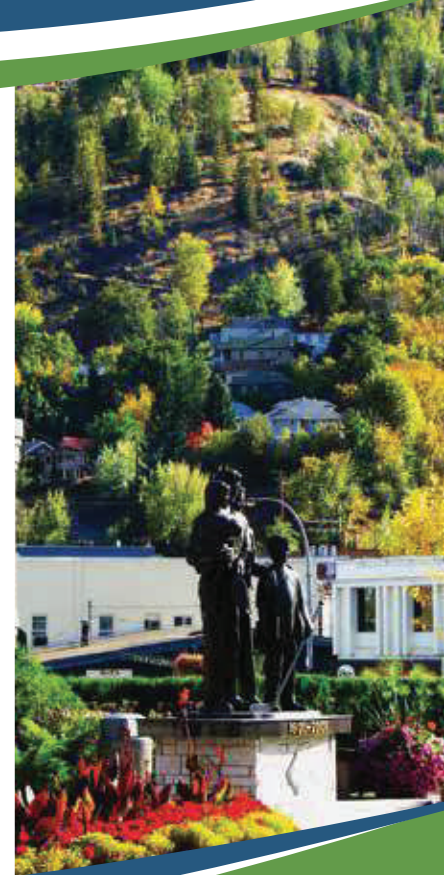
The LCIC works with the Lower Columbia communities, organizations and businesses to develop and implement strategies to strengthen our local economy. The LCIC provides resources for investors, existing businesses, and other service providers to advance local projects and economic priorities.

Services include:

- Business Training Opportunities calendar
- Export development
- Site visitation and selection
- Referral assistance
- Business climate statistics and analysis
- Workforce development programs

For more information, visit www.lcic.ca or Contact Terry Van Horn
250-364-6461

Lower Columbia
Initiatives
Economic
Development



LCCDTS
Lower Columbia Community
Development Team Society

LOWER COLUMBIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TEAM SOCIETY

The LCCDTS works to advance the social and economic strength in the Lower Columbia communities by identifying regional priorities through strategic planning sessions and addressing the needs through committee work. Membership consists of municipal leaders, business representatives, non-government organizations and other stakeholders interested in social and economic development. Interested in becoming a member of the LCCDTS? Visit www.lccdts.com for more information.

COMMUNITY FUTURES GREATER TRAIL:

Community Futures Greater Trail supports businesses and communities in the Lower Columbia region.

Business Loans

Entrepreneurs, social enterprises and businesses can access loans up to \$500,000 to assist entrepreneurs to start, expand, and succeed.

Self-Employment Program

Support for new entrepreneurs by providing business training and potential living allowance up to 48 weeks.

Succession Planning

To plan for your future and to provide support to local businesses. Community Futures offers Succession Planning Workshops.

For More Information

Phone: (250) 364-2595

Email: info@communityfutures.bc.ca

www.communityfutures.com

BASIN BUSINESS ADVISORS PROGRAM:

Delivered on behalf of Columbia Basin Trust. Small and medium sized businesses and social enterprises can access free one-to-one, confidential business counselling and assessment services.
Phone: 1 (855) 510-2227
Email: info@bbaprogram.ca

TOURISM ROSSLAND:

Leads, directs and manages tourism development on behalf of Rossland by building on the existing strengths of local businesses and organizations.
Phone: 250-231-1247
www.tourismrossland.com

TRAIL & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

Monday to Friday from 9 am – 5 pm.
200 - 1199 Bay Avenue, Trail, BC
Phone: (250) 368-3144
www.trailchamber.bc.ca

MUNICIPALITIES:

City of Trail:

1394 Pine Avenue
Trail, BC V1R 4E6
Phone: (250) 364-1262
www.trail.ca

City of Rossland:

1899 Columbia Avenue
Rossland, BC V0G 1Y0
Phone: (250) 362-7396
www.rossland.ca

Village of Fruitvale:

1947 Beaver Street
Fruitvale, BC V0G 1L0
Phone: (250) 367-7551
www.villagefruitvale.bc.ca

Village of Warfield:

555 Schofield Highway
Trail, BC V1R 2G7
Phone: (250) 368-8202
www.warfield.ca

Village of Montrose:

565 11 Avenue
Montrose, BC V0G 1P0
Phone: (250) 367-7234
www.montrose.ca

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY: Area A & B

202 - 843 Rossland Avenue
Trail, BC V1R 4S8
Phone: (250) 368-9148
www.rdkb.com

COMMUNITY SKILLS CENTRE:

Small business services including job posting, job development, workshops, job coaching and wage subsidies.
Phone: (250) 368-6360
Email: jobs@communityskillscentre.com
www.communityskillscentre.com

WORKBC:

WorkBC is committed to help British Columbian's successfully navigate BC's labour market.
Toll Free: 1 (877) 952-6914
www.workbc.ca

IMAGINE KOOTENAY:

Highlighting employment opportunities, businesses for sale, and the many lifestyle benefits unique to the Kootenays.
Phone: (250) 352-1933
www.imaginekootenay.com

CO-OP OPPORTUNITIES:

Co-op students can help your business!
Visit www.lcic.ca/invest/industries/co-op-opportunities/ for more information.

MIDAS LAB:

An applied research, commercialization and digital fabrication training facility that makes recent advances in manufacturing technology accessible to the West Kootenay.
Phone: 1 (844) MIDASBC (643-2722)
www.midaslab.ca

METAL TECH ALLEY:

A cluster of great minds and opportunities that clears the path for your company to succeed and involves leaders from industry, technology, institutions and government.
Phone: (250) 364-6461
www.metaltechalley.com

EXPORT NAVIGATOR PROGRAM:

Offers businesses access to community-based export specialists who can provide personalized approaches to exporting and helps connect you to information at every stage of the process.
Phone: (250) 354-7857
Email: mhoher@futures.bc.ca

KAST:

Kootenay Association for Science & Technology is dedicated to the continued growth of science and technology as key economic drivers.

BC Venture Acceleration Program

A structured venture development program which helps early-stage entrepreneurs in BC grow their companies.

Business Coaching

From support in developing your business idea, identifying your target market and creating a business and marketing plan to growth and expansion, human resources and succession planning, this program provides a unique opportunity to Kootenay entrepreneurs.

Startup Basics

Provides entrepreneurs with the tools they need to get started. Targeted skills coaching and individualized action plans developed by experienced Executives-in-Residence and supported by industry experts.

For More Information

Phone: (250) 362-5052 or

Toll-free: 1-844-224-KAST (5278)

Email: info@kast.com

www.kast.com

RURAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE:

A regional research centre to support informed decision-making by Columbia Basin communities through the provision of information, applied research and related outreach and extension support.
Phone: 1 (888) 953 1133 Ext. 21392
www.cbrdi.ca

I4C INNOVATION CENTRE:

An Industry 4.0 lab, production and testing facility that recruits early stage Industry 4.0 related companies and offers infrastructure, professional services and access to venture capital focused on digital technologies for industrial application.
Phone: 1 (866) 250-3442
www.i4c.tech

