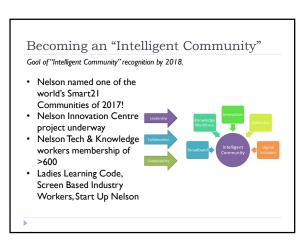


Fibre Nelson has a long history of having fibre Nelson Hydro Strategic partnerships Telcos





Intelligent Community Benefits Future proofing our communities; Retaining and attracting youth and knowledge workers; Enhancing innovation in our region; The ability to "insource" new jobs and work remotely; Improving lifestyles through access to remote education and tele-health; and Improving convenience and services for citizens

Why is Nelson a good fit?

Novercome barriers such as access to global markets;

Strengthen traditional sectors, support business retention and expansion and diversify our local economy; and

We already have a creative class working in the region and there's an opportunity to expand that

Why is Nelson a good fit?

- We have City of Nelson and CBBC working to build fibre infrastructure;
- We have higher-education in the region which provides the ability to create knowledge workers;
- People want to live here, leveraging technology gives them the opportunity to work from the region;

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Selkirk College

- > 2370 Full-Time Students in Eight Locations
- Over 300 international students, from 26 countries, studying in 25 program
- Transfer courses that enable students to transfer to a university to pursue their degree
- Digital Arts & New Media Program
- ▶ Kootenay School of the Arts

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Nelson Tech Club

- The Nelson Tech Club is the largest Hackerspace in Canada.
- Founded in 2010, the club has over 350 members and functions as a center for peer learning and knowledge sharing

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Nelson Civic Theatre Society

- Goal is to strengthen local screen based industry, focusing on resident professionals and emerging practitioners in film, video, television, and mobile media.
- Working to build community by networking existing film professionals in region, showcasing work, professional development, film festival
- Benefits:
- > sharing resources, collaboration, employment
- a more pronounced screen-based industry

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Intelligent Nelson Strategic Doing

- Projects:
- ▶ Broadband communications plan
- Knowledge worker education
- Nelson innovation centre
- Non profit IT support
- ▶ Meet the Geeks campaign
- ▶ 63 attendees
- 91% of respondent rated their experience at the workshop as good to excellent
- 84% thought the project will have a moderate to high impact in the community

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Drive Technology Adoption

- ▶ Technology for Business Pilot
- ▶ Help businesses understand the benefits of broadband
- Advise businesses on technology applications to achieve their business goals
- Increase the uptake of broadband in Nelson

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Tech and Knowledge Worker Support

- Tech Meet Ups
- Canadians Learning Code
- > Start Up Nelson
- > Tech & Knowledge Workers 618 FB members
- > Screen Based Industry 169 FB members





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Selkirk College

- Launching Web Application Development program
- ▶ Industry consultation in February
- Looking at 10 month program and 4 year program
- ► CF/KAST support with workshops on trends and bootcamps

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Nelson Tech & Knowledge Workers Support

- ▶ Tech Meet Ups
- ▶ 456 Tech & Knowledge Workers Facebook Group
- ▶ 160 Screen Based Industry Workers Facebook Group
- ▶ Start Up Nelson
- ▶ Ladies Learning Code

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Nelson Innovation Centre

Mission

NIC will help local entrepreneurs be world class innovators and disruptors by linking them to mentors, training, talent, investors and community.

Services:

- ▶ Community Building
- ▶ Mentorship
- Business Start-up and Acceleration Programs
- ▶ Access to Capital
- ▶ Industry Outpost Programing

NELSON INNOVATION CENTRE



Thank you for your on going support.

Questions?

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