



“The Coquitlam Business Connects program provided us the seed to develop a good relationship with the City of Coquitlam and its economic development office. This program gave us direct access to a business resource at City Hall that provided answers or direction to any questions we had.”

Laura Coueffin
Facilities Coordinator, The Oppenheimer Group

“As a new store/branch in the City, Coquitlam Business Connects gave us the opportunity to link with a variety of businesses around and including the nearby cities. It helped us create awareness that we are in the area and establish some business relations for both our retail and light duty fleet offerings.”

Ramon Daos
Store Manager, Kal Tire

Coquitlam Business Connects is dedicated to helping Coquitlam businesses thrive. We provide businesses with support, resources and advice to help them succeed, while also serving as a liaison between businesses and the City.

Look inside this brochure to find how we can help your business grow and prosper in Coquitlam.

Need help growing your business or have a question about City processes? Contact us today.

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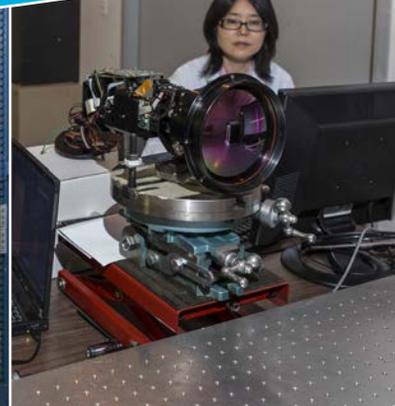
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Coquitlam Business Connects

Helping our businesses thrive

Above all...
Coquitlam

Invest Innovate Grow



Creating A Vibrant Business Environment

The City of Coquitlam understands that strong, successful businesses are the foundation for a healthy community. Everyone benefits from the employment, improved shopping and services, and broader tax base created by a vibrant local economy.

Coquitlam's Economic Development Office is dedicated to creating a business-friendly environment that encourages local businesses to grow and prosper. The Office also focuses on attracting new investors and businesses to the community. We are committed to ensuring that our businesses receive value for their investments and are constantly working to improve the business climate through innovative ideas and streamlining processes.

The key areas of focus for the Economic Development Office are:

- business retention and expansion – Coquitlam Business Connects
- business attraction – Invest in Coquitlam
- tourism – Experience, Explore, Enjoy Coquitlam

About Coquitlam Business Connects

Coquitlam Business Connects is a business outreach program that focuses on keeping businesses in Coquitlam, while helping them grow and succeed.

Coquitlam Business Connects:

- provides Coquitlam businesses with support, resources and advice,
- serves as a liaison between businesses and the City,
- looks for ways to make City processes more business-friendly,
- builds relationships with local businesses to better understand and meet their needs, and
- seeks opportunities to promote and support Coquitlam's businesses.

How We Can Help Your Business

Coquitlam Business Connects supports companies of any size, type and sector. All services are provided at no cost to the business. Specific services include:

- assisting businesses through City approval processes, such as permits and licensing,
- providing information about relevant City policies and initiatives, e.g. zoning, bylaws and programs,
- providing information about business opportunities in Coquitlam,
- assisting with site searches for growing companies,
- referrals to organizations, programs and resources,
- providing introductions to key local business contacts and organizations, and
- supplying statistics, demographics, market research and other information to support business planning.

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Tri-Cities Chamber Of Commerce

Coquitlam Business Connects works closely with the Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce to support businesses in Coquitlam. Examples of partnership programs and initiatives in recent years include Small Business Week, Social Media Mondays, and the Tri-Cities Intermunicipal Business Licence Program.

Online Resources

Visit the Business & Tourism section at coquitlam.ca for information such as:

- relevant City contacts
- local statistics and demographics
- news and initiatives
- local sector information
- success stories and testimonials