

Cleantech



What Cleantech in Guelph can offer



As a Canadian leader in environmental technologies, Guelph continues to advance the economic and innovation potential of this sector.



Almost 500
employers and
entrepreneurs in
this sector



Over 3,100
Guelph residents
are employed in
this sector



More than 7.3%
employment
growth in this sector
since 2011

Key sectoral data

- Cluster subsectors that align with Guelph's infrastructure, talent pool and research strengths:
 - Soil remediation
 - Water and waste water management
 - Chemical/brownfield remediation
 - Renewable energy technologies
 - Clean air/emissions reductions
 - Environmental engineering
 - Technical and testing expertise
- Guelph is soon to be home to Alectra's new Green Energy & Technology (GRE&T) Centre, that will drive green technology innovations and solutions. The GRE&T Centre will catalyze the commercialization and mass consumer adoption of green technology, serving as a bridge between the research and development phase and the full commercialization of these technology solutions.

Testimonials



Leading Cleantech Companies

- Biorem
- RWDI
- Canadian Solar
- Current Water Technologies
- SiREM
- ProMinent
- SUEZ Water Technologies & Solutions
- Maxxam Analytics
- Novus Environmental

“We were recently looking to expand into a new location. The service, support and encouragement provided by the City’s Economic Development team was integral to our decision to stay in Guelph. We’re excited to continue our relationship with Guelph and to participate in the growth of the vibrant local Cleantech sector.”

Mark Vanderheyden, General Manager, Americas, RWDI

“The Economic Development folks were extremely helpful in our effort to relocate our business in Guelph, and are always willing to help us promote our business to segments outside Guelph as part of the Grow Guelph initiative.”

Garth deBruyn, Managing Director, ProMinent

“BIOREM operates in 23 countries and has worked with many different jurisdictions and Economic Development departments. Working with the Guelph team has been by far the most productive and efficient use of our time. They’ve worked closely with us to truly understand our needs and to best position us locally, provincially and federally to achieve our strategic vision. I highly recommend Guelph if you are considering a Cleantech expansion.”

Derek Webb, President and CEO, BIOREM

About Guelph



2nd fastest growing mid-size city in Canada

growing mid-size city in Canada

Source: Conference Board of Canada, 2018



3rd best millennial hot spot in Canada

hot spot in Canada

Source: Point2 homes, 2018



4th best city to buy real estate in Canada

to buy real estate in Canada

Source: MoneySense Magazine, 2018



Top 6 best places for newcomers in Canada

places for newcomers in Canada

Source: MoneySense Magazine, 2017



Top 10 in Americas for foreign direct investment

Source: fDi Intelligence, 2017



Centre of Canada's Innovation Corridor

All within 90 minutes



Five international airports
Toronto (2), Waterloo, Hamilton, London



Two shipping ports
Toronto and Hamilton



Guelph Junction Railway offers access to CN and CPR, competitive rates and reliable daily service



12,588 employers and entrepreneurs in the City of Guelph

Source: Canadian Business Counts, December 2017



University of Guelph
3,500 annual graduates

Conestoga College
5,000+ annual graduates



Our vibrant downtown attracts entrepreneurs, innovators, developers and new residents, and is exceeding growth targets

Your success is our success!



We make it easy to do business with City Hall

Growing and resilient economy

Guelph has one of Canada's lowest unemployment rates, strongest housing markets, most innovative municipal governments and competitive tax rates—all contributing to a strong, reliable and sustainable local economy.

Prime location

Guelph is close to everything, and it feels like you're away from it all. You'll have easy access to international airports, major highways and reliable rail. Toronto, Canada's largest city, is just an hour down the highway, and we're a short drive to the U.S. borders. From Guelph, you will have access to over 150 million North American consumers within one day's drive. Not to mention our spectacular natural green spaces that stretch for days.

Enviably talented pool

We're home to a prominent University and College with more than a dozen top post-secondary institutions in surrounding communities. Employment skews professional, technical, agri-food and advanced technology. In all, a workforce of more than three million people lives within an hour's commute.

- We work closely with you to help you "get to yes" and make your plans a reality.
- We provide you with user guides, user-friendly web pages and checklists to make your journey clear.
- We build the team you need and help you every step of the way.
- We're listening to business needs and continually improving how we do business.

Competitive cost of doing business

Guelph offers top-notch professional services and amenities without a big city cost of living. Guelph has one of the lowest land and development costs in the Greater Toronto area. You'll enjoy lower-than-average labour and business costs, and Ontario offers the lowest overall tax rate on new business investment amongst all members of the G7.

Entrepreneurial spirit

More than \$14 billion is spent on research and development each year in Ontario, and Guelph is a hotspot for discovery and innovation. Guelph is home to some of the world's most innovative companies, has more than 40 research institutes, and a spirit of collaboration to help bring your ideas to life.



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