

BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE

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RESOURCE LIST

University Business Development Centres in Nova Scotia: www.ubdc.ca

Saint Mary's University Business Development Centre (SMUBDC) www.smu.ca/smubdc	(902) 429-2992
Acadia Centre for Small Business & Entrepreneurship (ACSBE) www.acsbe.com	(902) 585-1180
Mount Saint Vincent University Centre for Women in Business www.msvu.ca/cwb	(902) 457-6449
Université Sainte-Anne Centre Jodrey www.jodrey.com	(902) 769-3265
St. Francis Xavier University Enterprise Development Centre (XEDC) www.xedc.ca	(902) 867-5543

Potential Financers /Funders:

Business Development Bank of Canada www.bdc.ca	(902) 426-7850 1-877-232-2269
Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) www.acoa.ca	(902) 426-6743 1-800-565-1228
Canadian Youth Business Foundation www.cybf.ca	1-800-464-2923
The Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development (CEED) www.ceed.info	(902) 421-2333 1-800-590-8481
Community Business Development Corporations www.cbdc.ca	(902) 747-2232 1-888-303-2232
Telecom Applications Research Alliance (TARA) www.tara.ca	(902) 421-6000
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) Small Business Banking www.cibc.com/ca/small-business	(902) 428-7933 1-800-465-2422
Credit Unions of Nova Scotia www.ns-credit-unions.com	(902) 453-0680
Bank of Montreal (BOM) www.bmo.ca	(902) 421-3698 1-800-363-9992
RBC Royal Bank Small Business and Entrepreneurs www.royalbank.com	(902) 421-4919 1-800-769-2520
Scotia Bank www.scotiabank.com	(902) 420-3787 1-800-472-6842
Black Business Initiative www.bbi.ns.ca	(902) 426-2224 1-800-668-1010
TD Bank Financial Group Small Business www.tdcanadatrust.com	(902) 420-8040 1-866-567-8888
Export Development Canada (EDC) www.edc.ca	(902) 442-5205
Canada's Venture Capital & Private Equity Association www.cvca.ca	(416) 487-0519

* Please note that many potential financers /funders also offer counseling and advisory services to small businesses /start-ups.

General Business Services, Advice and Information:

Canada/Nova Scotia Business Service Centre www.cbsc.org/ns	(902) 426-8604 1-800-668-1010
Open For Business www.ofbnetwork.com	(902) 482-0297 1-800-590-8481
Regional Development Authorities www.gov.ns.ca/econ/rda	See Web-Site
Nova Scotia Department of Tourism, Culture & Heritage www.gov.ns.ca/dtc/	(902) 424-5000
Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia (TIANS) www.tians.org	(902) 423-4480 1-800-948-4267
Nova Scotia Economic Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ/	(902) 424-0377
Nova Scotia Business Inc. www.novascotiabusiness.com/	(902) 424-6650 1-800-260-6682
InNOVAcorp www.innovacorp.ns.ca	(902) 424-8670 1-800-565-7051
Registry of Joint Stock Companies www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr/rjsc/	(902) 424-5200 1-800-670-4357
Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour www.gov.ns.ca/enla/	(902) 424-5300 1-877-9ENVIRO
Statistics Canada www.statscan.ca	1-800-263-1136
Industry Canada strategis.ic.gc.ca	1-800-328-6189
Revenue Canada www.cra-arc.gc.ca	(902) 426-5300 1-800-959-5525
Better Business Bureau of the Maritime Provinces www.bbbsp.ca	(902) 422-6581
Canadian Intellectual Properties Office www.cipo.gc.ca	1-819- 997-1936
Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr	902-424-5200 1-800-670-4357
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca	(902) 426-3530

Canadian Bankers Association www.cba.ca	1-800-263-0231
National Research Council (NRC) www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca	1-877-NRC-CNRC
Industrial Research Assistance Program irap-pari.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca	(613) 991-3285
Canadian Technology Network ctn-rcf.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca	(506) 778-2832
Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/home.shtml	(902) 426-2988
Social Development Canada www.sdc.gc.ca/en/home.shtml	See Web-Site
Labour Information www.labourmarketinformation.ca	See Web-Site
Canada Tourism www.canadatoursim.com	See Web-Site
Statscan Community Profile www.statscan.ca	See Web-Site
In Depth Community Profiles Broken down into county, municipal, justice, health, electoral sectors www.gov.ns.ca/communitycounts	See Web-Site
Hill Strategies Research Consumer spending on culture in Canada www.hillstrategies.com	See Web-Site

Business /Entrepreneurship Organizations /Associations:

Metro Halifax Chamber of Commerce www.halifaxchamber.com	(902) 468-7111
Greater Halifax Junior Chamber www.hfxjrchamber.com	See Web-Site
Greater Halifax Partnership www.greaterhalifax.com www.seegrowth.com	(902) 490-6000 1-800-565-1191
Entrepreneurs' Forum www.entrepreneursforum.com	(902) 492-7600 1-866-492-7600
Halifax Regional Development Agency www.hrda.ns.ca	(902) 869-4040 1-800-650-0039
Metro Immigrant Settlement Association www.misa.ns.ca	(902) 423-3607
Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship (ACE) www.acecanada.ca	(902) 429-2992 1-800-766-8169
YEA Atlantic www.yea.ca	1-888-639-3222
Canadian Federation of Independent Business www.cfib.ca	(902) 420-1997
Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters www.importers.ca	(416) 595-5333
Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters Association www.cme-mec.ca	(902) 422-4477
Nova Scotia Home Builders Association www.nshba.ns.ca	(902) 450-5554 1-800-668-2001
Canadian Restaurant and Food Services Association www.crfa.ca	(416) 923-8416 1-800-387-5649
Nova Scotia Centre for Craft and Design www.craft-design.gov.ns.ca	(902) 424-4062
Retail Council of Canada www.retailcouncil.org	1-888-373-8245
Waterfront Development Corporation (Halifax) www.wdcl.ca	(902) 422-5115

Downtown Halifax Business Commission www.downtownhalifax.ns.ca	(902) 428-5433
Downtown Dartmouth Business Commission www.downtowndartmouth.ca	(902) 466-2997
Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Network (EDN) www.entrepreneurdisability.org	1-800-668-1010 (902) 426-0561

First Nation Specific Funding / Business Services

Aboriginal Business Canada strategis.ic.gc.ca/epic/internet/inabc-eac.nsf/Intro	1-800-328-6189
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) www.ainc-inac.gc.ca	1-800-567-9604
Ulnooweg Development Group Inc. www.ulnooweg.ca	(902) 893-7379 1-888-766-2376
Peace Hills Trust www.peacehills.com	(506) 455-3430

First Nations Services, Advice and Information:

Gamex Bingo

www.battlefordtribalcouncil.com

Canoeing

www.gwaiiecotours.com

Kayaking

www.villageisland.com

Pow Wow Festivals

www.atbc.bc.ca/festivals

Canoe/Kayak

www.takayatours.com/tours.html

Walking Tours

www.vancouver-travel-bc.com/tour_information.htm

Aboriginal Business Canada

www.abc-eac.ic.gc.ca

Aboriginal Business Service Network

www.cbsc.org/absn

Business Development Bank of Canada

www.bdc.ca/en/i_am/aboriginal_entrepreneur/default.htm

Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business

www.ainc_inac.gc.ca/saea-psab/index_e.html

Aboriginal Tourism BC

www.atbc.bc.ca

Virtual Tour of Aboriginal Canada

<http://vtac-gvtac.ca>

Aboriginal Tourism Canada

www.aboriginaltourism.ca

Ulnooweg Development Group Inc

www.ulnooweg.ca

Ethnographics

<http://mrc.ucb.ns.ca/ethnog.html>

CIBC Aboriginal Banking Team

www.cibc.com/cal-small-business/aboriginal/banking-team.html

Metis Business Centre

<http://metisnation.ca/mnc/business.html>

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
www.ainc-inac.gc.ca