

Business Retention and Expansion resource network

Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce (UOVCC)

Business networking and support group for the Pembroke and Upper Ottawa Valley area

613-732-1492 Email: manager@uovchamber.com

Web: <https://www.upperottawavalleychamber.com/>

Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce

Business networking and support group for the Renfrew and area

613-432-7015 Email: info@renfrewareachamber.ca Web: <https://renfrewareachamber.ca/>

Ottawa Valley Business

A website with general information, tenders, events and a newsletter with details about Ottawa valley business activities.

Subscribe to the monthly newsletter [here](#)

Website: <http://www.ovbusiness.com/>

Community Futures Development Corporation Renfrew County (RCCFDC)

A non-profit organization that is dedicated to creating opportunities for entrepreneurship and the pursuit of economic growth in Renfrew County. And they provide Strategic community planning and socio-economic development, Support for community-based projects, Business information and planning services; and Access to capital for small- and medium-sized businesses and social enterprises.

613-431-3951 Email: info@rccfdc.org Web: <https://www.rccfdc.org/>

Ottawa Valley Tourism Association (OVTA)

A non-profit tourism organization designed to stimulate and promote tourism in Renfrew County throughout the region and abroad.

613-735-4364 Email: info@ottawavalley.travel Web: <http://www.ottawavalley.travel/>

Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization (OHTO)

Regional Tourism Organizations (RTO) created by the Ontario Government to coordinate tourism development efforts and increase visitation to the province more effectively. OHTO covers the counties of Renfrew, Lanark, Haliburton and parts of Frontenac, Hastings and Lennox and Addington.

613-629-6486 Email: info@ontarioshighlands.ca Web: <https://comewander.ca/industry/>

Enterprise Renfrew County

Assisting entrepreneurs with development of new or existing companies. Canada Business Ontario regional access site. Offices in both Renfrew and Pembroke.

613-735-8224 Email: ercinfo@countyofrenfrew.on.ca

Web: <https://www.enterpriserenfrewcounty.com/>

Invest Renfrew County (County Economic Development Services)

Provides business start-up counseling, one-on-one business consultation, networking and support services, connections to potential employers, and matchmaking for business ideas and opportunities

613-735-0091 Email: ovedinfo@countyofrenfrew.on.ca Web: <https://www.investrenfrewcounty.com/>

Labour market group of Renfrew and Lanark

Funded by the Ministry of Labour, Training and skills development and partnered with Algonquin college Pembroke campus this group identifies and prioritizes labour market issues.

Quarterly [Newsletters](#) -this one is Winter 2022

Help Desk- [LMI HelpDesk | The Labour Market Group of Renfrew and Lanark \(algonquincollege.com\)](#)

Covid Labour Market plan 2021-2022-

<https://www.algonquincollege.com/renfrewlanark/files/2021/10/2021-2022-LLMP-COVID-19-Pandemic-Edition-English-Final.pdf>

NRC-IRAP Nation Research council- Industrial research assistance program

Provides advice, connections, and funding to help Canadian small and medium-sized businesses increase their innovation capacity and take ideas to market. Contact-Mike Barre

613-993-1227 Email: Michael.Barre@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Web: <https://nrc.canada.ca/en/support-technology-innovation>

BDC-Business Development Bank of Canada

Financial institution devoted to Canadian entrepreneurs. They offer free tools and advice for entrepreneurs and financing, advisory services, and capital funding for small or medium enterprises.

1-877-232-2269 Web: <https://www.bdc.ca/en>

Entrepreneur's Toolkit <https://www.bdc.ca/en/articles-tools/entrepreneur-toolkit>

Government of Ontario-small business access

This site offers legal advice, general business advice, funding opportunities and advice on growing and running your small business.

416-326-8475 Website: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/small-business-access>

ONTRAC Employment Resource Service- Renfrew

Ontrac offers free professional employment services to job seekers and employers.

#613-432-3424 Email: renfrew@getontrac.ca Website: <https://www.getontrac.ca/>

Government of Canada Innovation & Economic Development

Government of Canada information website with articles containing tips for business development, loan & grant applications, and government documentation information.

Website: https://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/080.nsf/eng/h_00073.html

Digital Main Street

An online resource for helping small businesses set up social media profiles and websites. Offers free information webinars and online courses about using different social media platforms and online advertising. As well as grant and funding opportunities for businesses looking to advance their digital footprint.

Website: <https://digitalmainstreet.ca/>

Township of Whitewater

Please reach out the Township for any building permits, land zoning issues or by-law concerns. The Township also has Economic funding programs available for local businesses.

#613-646-2282 Website: <https://www.whitewaterregion.ca/>

Community Improvement plan <https://www.whitewaterregion.ca/economic-development/community-improvement-plan/>