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Strategic Plan 2019



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## Our Purpose

# The BDIA exists to position downtown Belleville as a vibrant community.



#### What is a purpose statement?

A purpose statement is a bold affirmation of the reason for the BDIA's existence. It is the driving force that enables the BDIA to define its true brand and create its desired culture.



## **Our Values**

#### What is a value statement?

A declaration that informs visitors, staff, board of directors and members about the BDIA's top priorities and what its core beliefs are. A value statement helps to identify with and connect to targeted groups, as well as to remind employees and stakeholders about its agreed upon priorities and goals.

#### 1 Collaborative Partnership

with members and other stakeholders

### 2 Forward Thinking

invisioning a new future

#### 3 Being Accountable

delivering on our commitments

# 4 Active 2-way Communication

with members and other stakeholders

# 5 Passion to succeed

with passion comes change

Our Vision



By 2023, Downtown Belleville will be the thriving centre of our community.



#### What is a vision statement?

A vision statement is an aspirational description of what an organization would like to achieve or accomplish in the mid-term or long-term future. It is intended to serve as a clear guide for choosing current and future courses of action.



## **Our Objectives**

#### What are Objectives?

A specific result that a person or system aims to achieve within a time frame and with available resources.

Objectives are basic tools that underlie all planning and strategic activities. They serve as the basis for creating policy and evaluating performance.

- 1 Change the public perception of downtown Belleville from lacklustre to vibrant.
  - 2 Ignite current downtown investors (property and business owners) to become champions for a vital downtown.
- 3 Encourage new business investment to increase BDIA commercial occupancy rate and create more Downtown activity.
  - 4 Improve the Downtown customer experience and make Downtown Belleville the place where people want to meet.

# Objective 1:

#### Goals, Strategies & Measures

Change the public perception of downtown Belleville from lacklustre to vibrant.



By 2023, downtown Belleville will achieve an average Net Promoter Score (NPS) of 4 with Belleville residents, visitors and potential investors.



#### Strategies

- 1.1 Rebrand Downtown as a vibrant hub of the community.
- 1.2 Control the story by providing a continual flow of positive story leads.

#### Measures

- 1.1 Survey target markets pre & post launch and achieve a net improvement.
- 1.2 Establish a net positive score of mentions in all media channels.

#### What are Goals?

An observable and measurable end result having one or more objectives to be achieved within a more or less fixed timeframe.

#### What are Strategies?

A method or plan chosen to bring about a desired future, such as achievement of a goal or solution to a problem.

#### What are Measures?

A number or quantity that records a directly observable value or performance.

# Objective 2:

#### Goals, Strategies & Measures

Ignite current downtown investors (property and business owners) to become champions for a vital downtown.

#### Goal

By 2023, 80% of downtown investors will demonstrate active support for downtown vitality.



#### Strategies

- 2.1 Improve communication to BDIA members.
- 2.2 Increase business member engagement with their counterparts.
- 2.3 Increase property owner engagement with BDIA.

#### Measures

- 2.1 Maintain 4 active communication channels with members.
- 2.2 Increase the business member participation rate in BDIA initiatives by 25% annually over the April 2019 base.
- 2.3 Increase the property member participation rate in BDIA initiatives by 25% annually over the April 2019 baseline.

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# Objective 3:

#### Goals, Strategies & Measures

Encourage new business investment to increase BDIA commercial occupancy rate and create more Downtown activity.

#### Goal

By 2023, the BDIA commercial occupancy rate will be 85%.



#### Strategies

- 3.1 Market Downtown investment opportunities to facilitate business attraction and commercial real estate investment.
- 3.2 Advocate with the City to establish a signage and heritage façade by-law to unify the Downtown image.

#### Measures

- 3.1 a) Year-over-year increases in occupancy rate from current 75%.
  - b) Increase number of residential units by 50.
  - c) Year-over-year improvement in needed business scorecard.
- 3.2 By 2023, 25 properties will be in compliance with the brand image.

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#### What are Strategies?

A method or plan chosen to bring about a desired future, such as achievement of a goal or solution to a problem.

#### What are Measures?

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# Objective 4:

#### Goals, Strategies & Measures

Improve the Downtown customer experience and make Downtown Belleville the place where people want to meet.

#### Goal

By 2021, triple the number of Downtown shoppers, diners and arts patrons with recurring visits from locals and tourists from the Toronto/Ottawa/Montreal triangle.



#### Strategies

- 4.1 Develop a marketing plan that will enhance the recognition of downtown as a safe and special destination for Belleville residents
- 4.2 Develop a marketing plan that will enhance the recognition of downtown as a special destination for Belleville visitors.

#### Measures

- 4.1 Year-over-year increase in the number of customers from Belleville postal codes.
- 4.2a Year-over-year increase in the number of customers from outside Belleville.
  Under 1 hour drive + 1 hour plus drive
- 4.2b Collect consumer data via WiFi to create baseline 2019 & measure changes in traffic patterns (seasonal & days of the week).

# Objective 4 cont'd:

Goals, Strategies & Measures

Improve the Downtown customer experience and make Downtown Belleville the place where people want to meet.

#### Goal

By 2021, triple the number of Downtown shoppers, diners and arts patrons with recurring visits from locals and tourists from the Toronto/Ottawa/Montreal triangle.



#### Strategies

- 4.3 Improve physical elements of the customer experience.
- 4.4 Develop the coffee culture & creative class through a recruitment, attraction & retention plan.

4.5 Advocate and work with the City plus provincial and federal agencies on policy development to support mutually beneficial projects in Downtown.

#### Measures

- 4.3 By 2023 achieve at least an average out 5 (NPS).
- 4.4a Increase the number of ethnic and thematic restaurants/cafes (including brewpubs) from the current 23 locations to 40 locations by 2023.
- 4.4b Increase the number of Gallery and Entertainment locations from the current 6 locations to 10 locations by 2023.
- 4.5 Achieve an allocation of at least \$50K of financial supports annually for Downtown investors/BDIA members.