



"It's a great benefit for us being here in Whitby because we have some excellent resources in our own backyard."

Michael Cant
Whitby Location Leader
Golder Associates Ltd.,
a Whitby company



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Whitby Economic Development Office

Services include:

- Promoting and marketing Whitby
- Information on available development sites, industrial and office properties
- Demographics and statistics relevant to businesses and investors
- An online Business Directory
- Corporate calls with the local business communities to learn about their products/services and markets, to assist in promoting them.
- Staff also provide local businesses with information about financial incentives, new developments and upcoming events
- Organizing investment and trade support programs

Web: www.choosewhitby.ca

Industry Canada

Services include:

- Information on government programs and services
- Company directories
- Economic and market research/ statistics
- Intellectual Property Protection information
- Information by Industrial Sector

Web: www.ic.gc.ca

Invest in Ontario [a program of the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation]

Services include:

- the latest information on the economy and business climate
- information on government incentive programs
- trade development - representatives in major markets around the world provide export assistance
- programs to support research and development and technology commercialization
- investment promotion to attract new investment to Ontario

Web: www.investinontario.com

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Fast Fact A range of business publications, statistics, maps and reports are available online or from the Economic Development Office.

Business Resources [continued]



BizPaL A free online service that helps you find business permit and licence information. BizPaL simplifies the document research process. **Web:** www.choosewhitby.ca

Whitby Chamber of Commerce The Whitby Chamber of Commerce is a member-based organization providing education, networking, advocacy and business opportunities for more than 1,000 members in Whitby and the surrounding area.

Web: www.whitbychamber.org

Business Advisory Centre Durham Since 1998, the Business Advisory Centre of Durham (BACD) has provided individuals, entrepreneurs and small to medium-sized companies with access to information and good practices. Services of the BACD include one-on-one consultations, business plan development strategies, market-research workshops and seminars for those considering a business start-up.

The BACD also has young entrepreneur programs for those aged 15 to 29. **Web:** www.bacd.ca

Spark Centre is an industry-led, non-profit organization providing technology commercialization services contributing to the growth of both the Durham Region and Northumberland County.

Spark Centre is part of the Ontario Network of Excellence (ONE) a network of organizations across Ontario, designed to help you commercialize your ideas.

Spark Centre provides innovators, technology based businesses, entrepreneurs and researchers with services and programs to help them innovate and gain a competitive advantage.

Web: www.sparkcentre.org

Starting a Business Information about federal and provincial services, programs and regulations (including taxation) as well as a Business Program Guide. **Web:** www.cobsc.org

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