



Better in **BROCKVILLE**

YOUR GUIDE TO LIVING AND WORKING IN THE CITY OF THE 1000 ISLANDS

LOCAL STORIES

Get to know some of our Brockville residents and business owners

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Plan your first visit to Brockville

Welcome to **BROCKVILLE**

Brockville has long been famous for its convenient location, picturesque beauty, heritage, and outdoor recreational opportunities. With a stunning view of the St. Lawrence River and the 1000 Islands at its doorstep, Brockville is truly one of Canada's most scenic settings.

The city is centrally located between Ottawa, Montreal, and Toronto and within minutes of two international bridges to northern New York State.

For businesses, this prime geographical location has proven to be an asset for development, with land costs and building leases available at a fraction of the cost of larger urban centres. Whether you are working from a home office or setting up in the business park, with high speed broadband internet throughout the City, it has never been easier to do business with the world right from within Brockville.

For more information about moving to Brockville or establishing your business here, please contact the **City of Brockville's Economic Development Department**:

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🐦 @BrockvilleEcDev



Ottawa, Ontario	114 Kilometres (70 Miles)
Montreal, Quebec	210 Kilometres (130 Miles)
Toronto, Ontario	340 Kilometres (211 Miles)
Quebec City, Quebec	507 Kilometres (313 Miles)
Syracuse, New York	202 Kilometres (126 Miles)
New York, New York	591 Kilometres (356 Miles)
Boston, Massachusetts	630 Kilometres (391 Miles)
Detroit, Michigan	687 Kilometres (460 Miles)

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Get to know our
NEIGHBOURHOODS



Brockville was established on the north bank of the St. Lawrence River, and now encompasses approximately 20.8 square kilometres. The median residential value of a home in Brockville is \$254,421*

WEST END

This section of the city runs from the river north to the railway tracks and west of Perth Street to the city limits. The architecture is a mix of heritage styles found closer to the waterfront to recently built modern styles. There are many choices from executive high-end priced homes (many with river views), to moderate older brick homes.

DOWNTOWN

This area encompasses the downtown core from the river to the CN line between Perth Street and Park Street. The homes are a mixture of heritage styles made of stone or brick to modest income dwellings. Numerous apartments above the stores, townhouses as well as duplexes and condos along the river make this a truly versatile socio-economic area. All have easy access to the City's waterfront parks and walking trails.

EAST END

The east end is comprised of the area from the river to the railway line and from Park Street to the city limits at Oxford Avenue. Homes tend to be higher quality in some sections; many heritage dwellings can be found, especially closer to the downtown. A stately row of mansions along King Street remind us of the elite culture that has been present in Brockville for centuries.

CENTRAL

This next section describes the homes that are found in the area divided between the CN railway line and Highway 401. Homes here are generally up to 60 years old and tend to be fairly well maintained with generous sized lots.

NORTH END

Brockville residents, when talking about the north end, refer to the development of the city north of Highway 401 up to the city's northerly limits. This section of the city began its growth with the boom of development in the 1970s including commercial development along Parkedale Avenue and as the community continued to grow the blocks expanded eastwardly. The styles include bungalows, split-levels, 2-storey modern and executive styles including attached garages. Many apartment clusters are also found in the north as well as senior residences.

*source: Rideau-St. Lawrence Real Estate Board, 2017

Property TAXES

PROPERTY TAXES

The municipality levies the taxes for the city and the school board. Taxes are based upon the assessed value of your home (as determined by the Provincial Assessment office). The assessment of your residence is multiplied by the tax rate. The school tax rate is determined by the province; the City of Brockville municipal tax rate is determined by Municipal Council.

Tax rates are comparable with municipalities of a similar size and population base. When combined with our water rates, Brockville has one of the lowest costs per household.

Use the tax calculator to estimate your taxes at:

🏠 brockville.com/eservices

For the most current information on tax rates please visit:

City of Brockville Revenue

Department:

🏠 brockville.com/revenue-department

✉ taxation@brockville.com

☎ 613-342-8772



Photo credit: Sam Cowan

Utilities & **SERVICES**

Electricity Services—Hydro One

🏠 hydroone.com
☎ 1-888-664-9376

Garbage and Recycling

For information and to find your recycling and waste pick up times, visit the website at:

🏠 brockville.com/solidwaste
☎ 613-342-8772 ext. 3220

Internet

Brockville has high speed broadband internet throughout the City and is offered by local and national providers.

Natural Gas—Enbridge Gas

🏠 enbridgegas.com
☎ 1-800-263-2212

Water

Water is drawn from the St. Lawrence River and is treated at the City's modern filtration plant. Contact the City's Revenue office with your move in date to ensure that you are only billed for the amount of water you consume.

🏠 brockville.com/water-utilities
✉ water@brockville.com
☎ 613-342-8772

Service Canada

Thomas Fuller Building, Floor 1
📍 14 Court House Avenue, Brockville
🏠 servicecanada.gc.ca
☎ 1-800-622-6232

Service Ontario

📍 7 King Street West (entrance off of Market Street West), Brockville
🏠 services.gov.on.ca
☎ General Inquiry: 1-800-267-8097
☎ Health Card: 1-888-376-5197
☎ Driver & Vehicle: 1-800-387-3445



Photo credit: Adam Parker

Emergency SERVICES

In the case of an emergency, dial **9-1-1** for police, ambulance, or fire. In the event of a city-wide emergency, the City of Brockville's twitter account @BrockvilleON will be the primary means for public information and updates. The City's website displays the latest tweets: **brockville.com**

BROCKVILLE POLICE SERVICE

📍 2269 Parkedale Avenue
Brockville, ON K6V 3G9
🏠 brockvillepolice.com
✉ info@brockvillepolice.com
☎ 613-342-0127

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE (O.P.P)

📍 4109 County Rd. 29
Brockville ON K6V 5T4
🏠 opp.ca
☎ 613-345-1790

BROCKVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

📍 Station No. 1: 61 Perth St.
📍 Station No. 2: 360 Laurier Blvd.
🏠 brockvillefire.ca
✉ fire@brockville.com
☎ 613-498-1261

LEEDS AND GRENVILLE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

🏠 leedsgrenville.com
☎ 613-342-3840

BROCKVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL

📍 75 Charles Street
Brockville, ON K6V 1S8
🏠 brockvillegeneralthospital.ca
☎ 613-345-5649

EMERGENCY WATER SHUT-OFF

☎ 613-342-8772 (ask for Dispatch—
Gord Watts Municipal Centre)
☎ 613-498-1361
(emergency after hours only)



Photo credit: Sam Cowan

City **SERVICES**

City services include maintaining the roads, lights, water and sewers, as well as 17 islands, 38 parks (including a campground), two arenas, harbour, arts centre, Aquatarium – Discovery Centre of the 1000 Islands, Canada's First Railway Tunnel, public library, museum, 10 athletic fields and 7 km of walking trails.

The municipal government consists of a mayor and eight councillors who are elected for a 4-year term. More information on the City of Brockville can be found on the website brockville.com. The public is welcome to visit City Hall anytime during the week from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

General inquiries and most city billings including taxes, licenses, water, and parking tickets can be paid at the customer service desk, located within the front doors on the left.

Contact City Hall:

📍 1 King Street West, Brockville Ontario K6V 7A5

🏠 brockville.com

☎ 613-342-8772

Getting AROUND

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Brockville is continuing to expand its active transportation network and is continually making improvements to the Brock Trail. The Brock Trail is a 7km paved, multi-use pathway that connects the waterfront to the north end of the city to encourage cycling and walking to get around.

📍 brocktrail.com

For more information on other trails in the region, visit:

📍 brockvilletourism.com/things-to-do/outdoor-recreation-and-adventure/

AIR

Brockville - 1000 Islands Regional Tackaberry Airport

This multi-use airport offers 1 paved runway capable of handling corporate jets, and features 1 grass runway (summer only). GPS instrument and ADF approaches.

📍 4620 Airport Road, RR4 Brockville

📍 brockvilleairport.com

📞 613-345-0642

BOAT

The **Brockville municipal harbour** is within easy walking distance of the historic downtown core for shopping, restaurants, and attractions. Harbour services include canteen, showers, laundry, electric and water hook-ups. Free Wi-Fi is available in the harbour and throughout downtown. The harbour monitors Channel 68 VHF Marine Band.

Blockhouse Island Parkway

📍 brockville.com

📞 613-342-1986

📞 off season: 613-342-8772 ext. 3266

Brockville also holds a yacht club, rowing club, as well as private marinas and docking facilities.

BUS

City of Brockville Conventional Transit & Para Transit

Operates Monday to Saturday. For a transit map and current fares, visit:

📍 brockville.com/transit

📞 613-342-8772 ext. 3225

Coach Canada & Megabus

Pick up and Drop off at the Southwest corner of Stewart Blvd. at Jefferson Drive

📍 coachcanada.com

📍 ca.megabus.com

📞 1-866-488-4452



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David Gibbs on BMX

TRAIN

Via Rail Canada

Daily departures to and from Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal.

📍 141 Perth Street

🏠 viarail.ca

📞 1-888-842-7245

CUSTOMS & IMMIGRATION

Passports are required for all land, water and air entry between the United States and Canada. To ensure you have the proper identification, contact:

Canadian Border Services Agency

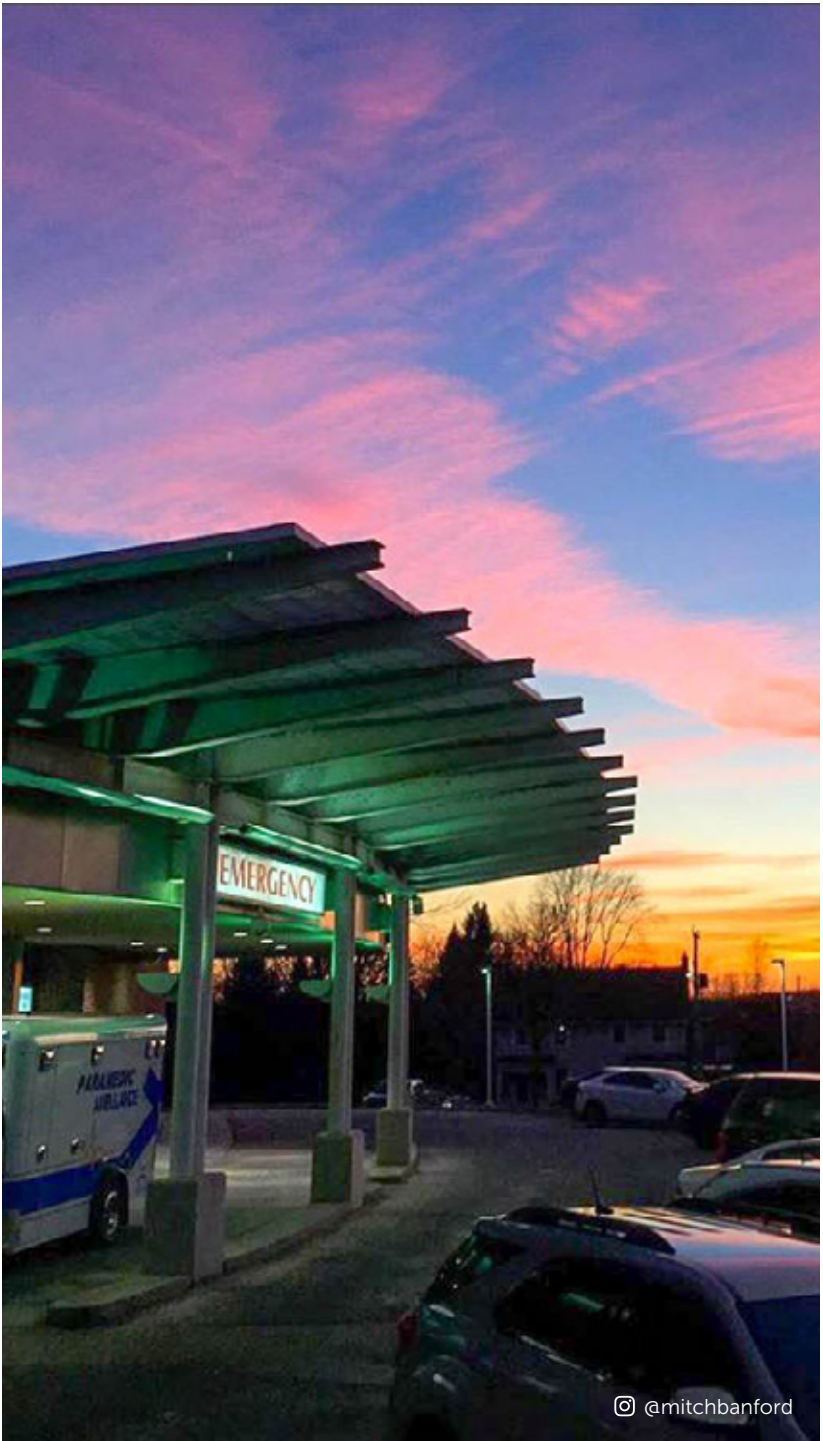
🏠 cbsa-asfc.gc.ca

📞 613-659-2301

US Customs & Border Protection

🏠 cbp.gov

📞 1-877-227-5511



Health CARE

Brockville offers excellent health care services as it is located within a one hour drive of some of the best research clinics and institutions in Canada. Acute care, active and long-term facilities as well as psychiatric treatment are all available within the city.

FIND A DOCTOR

The Health Care Connect program refers people who don't currently have a health care provider to physicians and nurse practitioners who are accepting new patients in their community.

📍 health.gov.on.ca

☎ 1-800-445-1822

FIND A DENTIST

📍 oda.on.ca

☎ 1-800-387-1393

Brockville General Hospital is a full-service community hospital. They provide acute care (emergency, intensive care, medical/surgical care), complex continuing care, rehabilitation, palliative, mental health, and maternity care. They offer ambulatory and specialty clinics.

📍 75 Charles Street

📍 brockvillegeneralhospital.ca

☎ 613-345-5649

Brockville Mental Health Centre:

BMHC is part of the Royal Ottawa Mental Health Centre and offers both inpatient and outpatient programs that are designed to meet the individualized treatment needs of its patients.

📍 1804 County Rd. 2 East, Brockville

📍 theroyal.ca

☎ 613-345-1461

Leeds Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit

offers a wide range of programs and services to promote healthy living, healthy growth and development, prevention of the spread of disease and the promotion and protection of the health of the people of Ontario.

📍 458 Laurier Blvd.

📍 healthunit.org

☎ 613-345-5685

South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)

works with people of all ages to ensure they can make informed choices about their care, when, and where they need it. They also have useful information about local community support service agencies, and can connect people to those providers to arrange services.

📍 southeastlhin.on.ca

☎ 310-2222 (no area code required)

The **Ontario 211** telephone helpline and website provide a gateway to community, social, non-clinical health and related government services.

📍 211ontario.ca

☎ 2-1-1

Telehealth Ontario is a free, confidential service you can call to get health advice or information 24 hours a day, seven days a week from a Registered Nurse.

☎ 1-866-797-0000

Brockville General Hospital

REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT



Brockville
General Hospital



Brockville General Hospital is building for your future.

In 2020, following a \$173 million expansion project, Brockville General Hospital will see all hospital services under one roof. The redevelopment project will combine programs and services offered at our Garden and Charles Street to one campus. This project will deliver enhanced patient spaces, including more private rooms and outdoor courtyards.

Now, and into the future, we are committed to providing quality patient care for our community.

🏠 www.brockvillegeneralhospital.ca







Sports & **FITNESS**

Brockville has a well-balanced sports and recreational infrastructure that provides ample opportunities for engagement in health and social activities.

Being a waterfront community, there are many recreational opportunities to get out on the river including paddling, sailing, rowing, water skiing, fishing, boating, scuba diving and swimming; but there are also plenty of activities to take part in on land. Experience the great outdoors all year round with hiking, paddling, cycling, and cross-country & snowshoeing trails.

From cross-fit to pickleball, Brockville has all of the activities you are looking for, including some surprises like indoor paintball, a Stanley Thompson golf course, ziplining, rowing club and a lawn bowling club.



Bring your FAMILY

Brockville is an amazing place to raise your family.

A safe community with lots of opportunity to socialize, stay active, earn an education, buy a home, and enjoy public waterfront access, we invite you to visit and explore. Once you do, you will see why so many people have chosen to move here.

World Health Organization Designated Safe Community.

Great public, private, and separate schools with options to enroll in French immersion and STEM programs. Visit brockville.com/education for details on schools in Brockville.

Support for a healthy, active lifestyle: Brockville has plenty of trail access to explore the region outdoors in all 4 seasons, fitness centres, activities and sports clubs, as well as parks and recreational opportunities.

Activities, festivals and events: Explore the region through lots of family friendly events year round.

Brockville is densely populated with **public parks, recreational areas, and playgrounds**. A large majority of the waterfront is public parkland, making the waterfront very accessible to the public to picnic, swim, play, and to watch the boats go by on the river.

Safe and easy to get around: use the Brock Trail to walk or cycle through town out of the way of street traffic.

Access to quality health care and specialists.

Social clubs, activities, and educational programs: Our community is proud to have a number of cultural centres offering programs for all ages and interests for growing minds and bodies including the Aquatarium, Brockville Arts Centre, Brockville Memorial Centre, Brockville Museum, Brockville Public Library and more.

Visit BROCKVILLE

Brockville is known for having an abundance of public access to the beautiful waterfront along the St. Lawrence River in the world famous 1000 Islands, and for having the best freshwater scuba diving in the world.

The waterfront is the pride and joy of local residents and attracts visitors who stop by from all over the world. Brockville owns 17 of the nearby islands, which are available to the public for picnicking, boating and camping.

Once known as the Millionaire's Capital of Canada, historic homes and mansions line the waterfront, and our downtown is often praised for its historic charm and beauty. Visit us and you will see why so many end up looking at homes for sale before they leave!

Plan your getaway at brockvilletourism.com

START PLANNING YOUR TRIP:

- See the Islands: whether you have your own boat, are renting or chartering one, or are taking a 1000 Islands Cruise, you have to get out on the river to truly experience the 1000 Islands and see why those who live here never want to leave!
- Explore Canada's First Railway Tunnel (*shown in the photo on the next page*)
- Get to know the 1000 islands year-round at The Aquarium
- Take in a show at the Brockville Arts Centre
- Learn about Brockville's industrial past at the Brockville Museum
- Walk or cycle along the waterfront at Blockhouse Island and connect to the Brock Trail. Rent bikes, segways, kayaks or seadoos at the waterfront to keep exploring
- Experience the world's best freshwater scuba diving, explore sunken ships and our underwater sculpture park
- Explore our history and heritage on a self-guided tour of local sites

For more information on festivals and events in Brockville, sites to visit, and where to stay while you are in the city, visit brockvilletourism.com or call 613-342-4357.

Stop by the visitor centre (open year round) at 10 Market Street West.



Top 10 reasons to MOVE TO BROCKVILLE

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- 1** World Health Organization Designated **Safe Community**
 - 2** Abundance of public access to the waterfront in the World Famous **1000 Islands**
 - 3** **No commute:** get anywhere in the City in under 10 minutes
 - 4** **Small town charm** with big city amenities
 - 5** **Proximity** to Ottawa (1 hour), Kingston (45min), Montreal (2 hours), and Toronto (3.5 hours) for when you really want to see that concert or big game
 - 6** **High speed broadband internet** access to rival Kingston and Ottawa
 - 7** Sense of **community**
 - 8** **Ease of travel** (daily VIA rail connections, 401 highway access, close to international airports in Ottawa and Syracuse, NY)
 - 9** Outdoor activities and trails to support an active lifestyle – Brockville is ranked **#7 on Expedia's Most Active Cities in Canada**
 - 10** High quality of life at a cost you can afford

Top 10 reasons to **DO BUSINESS** **IN BROCKVILLE**

- 1** Availability of serviced land in the Industrial Park with new employment lands in development. Our city-owned, serviced, industrial land sells from **\$30,000 to \$60,000/acre** with no development charges
- 2** Proximity to Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, and USA via **two international bridges**
- 3** Extensive **fiber and wireless connectivity** with superior bandwidth
- 4** Situated along **401 series highway**
- 5** Less than an hour's drive to the **international airport in Ottawa**, and 25 minutes from the Ogdensburg international airport in New York
- 6** **Daily VIA Rail connections** to Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto. CN and CP rail lines through the city.
- 7** **135 million people** within 1 days trucking
- 8** Access to **professional networks and business support**
- 9** Access to **local skills and talent** with high employee retention rates
- 10** **Get the start-up help you need:** the Business Centre houses the Brockville & District Chamber of Commerce, the Leeds and Grenville Small Business Enterprise Centre, Downtown Brockville Business Improvement Association, and 1000 Islands Community Development Corporation all under one roof. The City of Brockville's Economic Development and Planning departments are right upstairs in City Hall

Thrive IN ALL 4 SEASONS

Spring

Great for: cycling, gardening, hiking, visiting maple syrup producers

Summer

Great for: swimming, boating & island hopping, camping, paddling, fishing, exploring, scuba diving

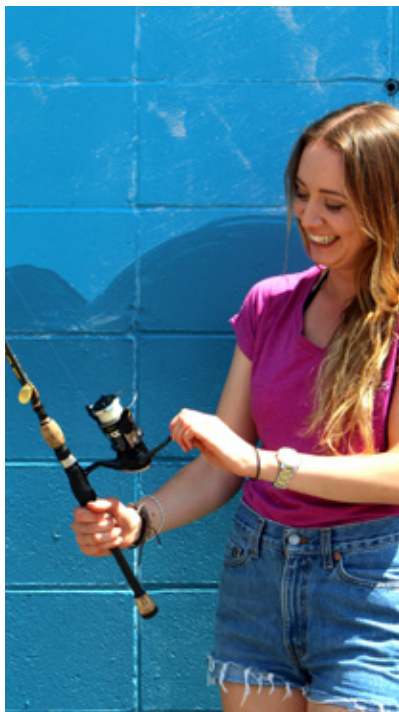
Winter

Great for: cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hockey, skating, tobogganing

Fall

Great for: hiking, paddling, photography, viewing fall foliage, road trips, apple picking

Experience each season to its fullest. From hot summer days averaging 26°C (78.8°F) to 27cm (10.6") of snow piled up in the winter — and everything in between — your favourite outdoor activity is never far away.



"It is pretty awesome to take a walk down King Street and pop into shops where shop owners know you and care about this community as much as you do."

- Natalie Wood, Curator, Brockville Museum



Welcome to the COMMUNITY



#4 Ranked most LGBTQ friendly city in Ontario by Discover Gay Ontario



Free Wi-Fi throughout downtown and at the waterfront by the municipal harbour <http://arcg.is/9Gjmf>



The Brockville Newcomers Club is open to anyone who has moved to the area in the past two years brockvillenewcomersclub.com



10 Families found homes in Brockville through **Refugees for Brockville**



Get involved in the community by volunteering—sign up at the **Volunteer Centre of St. Lawrence Rideau** volunteercentre.ca



Authentic ethnic restaurants: Lebanese, Thai, Indian, Dim Sum, Sushi, Greek, Chinese and more



Join local clubs and organizations—find them on the Brockville Public Library's community resource database brockvillemunicipal.ca/community-db.php



Cultural communities in Brockville are connected through the **Brockville and District Multicultural Council** and celebrated at the annual multicultural festival brockvillemulticulturalfestival.com

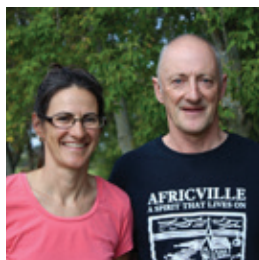


English as a second language (ESL) classes available in both formal and informal settings trlimmigrantservices.ca



A Newcomers' Welcome Kit provides an easy-to-understand reference and orientation tool for recent newcomers to the region. Request a copy from diversity.matters@eecentre.com

We are **NEIGHBOURS**



Get to know the people who live in the area through the
"We Are Neighbours" campaign by the
St. Lawrence Rideau Immigration Partnership.

weareneighbours.wixsite.com/weareneighbours

The Immigration Partnership encourages individuals and communities to
recognize and welcome cultural diversity.

Newcomer settlement and **MULTICULTURALISM**

As Brockville's reputation as a safe, welcoming and affordable community continues to grow, so do the number of immigrants from around the globe who are choosing to call Brockville home. The City of Brockville plays a lead role in attracting and welcoming these individuals and their families, and is a member of the St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership.

St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership

The St. Lawrence-Rideau Immigration Partnership is a collection of organizations committed to building local capacity to attract, settle and integrate immigrants throughout Leeds Grenville.

📍 105 Strowger Blvd.

🏠 leedsgrenvilleimmigration.ca

✉ diversity.matters@eecentre.com

☎ 613-498-2111

TR Leger Immigrant Services

Their office is dedicated to helping serve adult Permanent Residents, Live-In Caregivers, and Convention Refugees. TR Leger runs English as a Second Language (ESL) classes; helps with settlement information for Brockville and area including child care, community service, employment, health, housing, and schools; helps with citizenship test preparation; helps with government forms and applications.

📍 2288 Parkedale Ave.

🏠 trimmigrantsservices.ca

☎ 613-803-0653

Brockville and District Multicultural Council

The Council is a multicultural heritage group which holds an annual festival each year on the first weekend in May. Connect and get involved at:

🏠 brockvillemulticulturalfestival.com

Brockville Public Library

The library is a friendly, community focused centre that offers free Wi-Fi, computer access, scanning, faxing and copying services. Books, magazines, movies, eBooks, video games and more are available to borrow. Free, drop in programs are available for all ages, making it a great place to connect with the community.

A Community Resource Database of local clubs, organizations, and services are available on their website.

📍 23 Buell Street

🏠 brockvillelibrary.ca

✉ info@brockvillelibrary.ca

☎ 613-342-3936

Easily share photos of your experience by signing onto our complimentary WiFi downtown, at the harbour, and at the Memorial Centre.



Arts & CULTURE

Here in the city of Brockville we enjoy getting out and experiencing the local arts scene and supporting the creative talents of our residents. The municipality is a key partner on a number of cultural assets including the Brockville Arts Centre, Brockville Museum, Brockville Public Library, Brockville Railway Tunnel, Brock Trail, Brockville Memorial Civic Centre, and The Aquatorium.

10 LOCAL EXPERIENCES TO TRY

- **Catch a live show** at the Brockville Arts Centre
- Get to know the arts community at **Culture Days** in September
- Try out **virtual reality** at the Brockville Public Library
- Enjoy the Brockville Museum's exhibits after hours with a cocktail in hand at a special **Museum at Night** event
- **Take a stroll** through the Brockville Railway Tunnel
- **Get your hands dirty:** take a fine arts course or summer workshop at St. Lawrence College
- Support work by **local students:** see the downtown mural on the side of the tourism office, pick up a local historical sites colouring book, and see pieces on display at the Marianne Van Silfhout Gallery
- Learn about the **St. Lawrence River** at The Aquatorium
- **Connect** with local artists, musicians, writers and more with the Arts Council of the Thousand Islands (ACOTTI)
- Go to one of our many **festivals and events**

Meet DALE



"I look for a city that is easy to get around on by foot or on a bicycle and that is close to outdoor recreation such as hiking, cycling, and paddling trails. I look for lots of cultural activities and recreation opportunities, and a good library. Brockville has all of those things and the list of assets keeps growing."

- Dale Chisamore, Brockville community member and volunteer

Read the full article at brockville.com/meet-dale



Leeds Grenville **SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRE**

5 ways to start & grow your business at every age and business stage with the Leeds Grenville Small Business Enterprise Centre

1. Nurture your entrepreneurial spirit while you are still a student

Be your own boss while you learn what it takes to run your own business with Summer Company. Get advice and mentorship from local business leaders to help you get your business off the ground, as well as a start-up grant to help with initial costs.

2. Run your ideas past a business consultant

Whether you are starting, building, or expanding your business, get advice from knowledgeable business counsellors. If you need a boost, are feeling stuck, want to grow, or just want a second opinion, they are the go-to experts.

3. Accelerate your start up

Thinking about going all-in? If you are over 18, working on your business full time, and have been in business for less than 5 years, you could qualify for the Starter Company Plus program. Get access to: one-on-one guidance, mentoring with a local successful entrepreneur, business workshops and funding of up to \$5000.

4. Network with local business people while getting training on specific topics

Access inexpensive workshops and learning opportunities led by leading experts. Sessions are held regularly and cover a range of topics including finance, HR, digital marketing, and other relevant and timely topics.

5. Get help from the experts – all at once

Get targeted guidance and advice specific to your business from 6 leading experts from a range of fields once per month for seven months with the Business Success Coaching Program.

Contact the Leeds Grenville Small Business Enterprise Centre:

📍 3 Market Street West, Unit 3A
Brockville, Ontario K6V 7L2

🌐 lgsbec.com

☎ 613-342-8772 x 4470



Meet RYAN



"When I was younger I thought I wanted to live in the bigger cities, but dealing with city commutes, higher costs of living and generally more hustle and bustle in larger city centers made me realize how much I missed Brockville."

"The beautiful waterfront, low cost of living, family close by and also great proximity to the large cities in Ontario (Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Kingston) it is a no brainer for a place to settle down to have a family."

- Ryan Darling, RD Athletics Therapy & Training

Read the full article at brockville.com/meet-ryan

Meet TERRY



"Brockville is the epitome of global manufacturing: with Shell, 3M and other companies working here that compete on a global scale they need to be able to continuously innovate and gain efficiencies. We help them gain a global advantage by working together to create seamless processes."

"Brockville has a good range of industry which allows us to have more stability in our business and has allowed us to grow over the years. Being located along the 401 highway halfway between Toronto and Montreal, close to the USA with two nearby crossings, Brockville was the ideal location for us."

- Terry Wills, President, Wills Transfer Limited

Read the full article at brockville.com/meet-terry



Downtown Brockville **BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (DBIA)**

WHO ARE THEY?

The DBIA staff is made up of 2 team members: the executive director and the events and communications coordinator. They are governed by a board of 9 business representatives and funded by our downtown community. Their catchment boundaries are Gilmour Street to Orchard Street and from James Street down to the water.

WHAT ARE THEY WORKING ON?

Events

They take the lead on 8 events in the downtown: *Spring Into Flavour*, *Street Eats May Sidewalk Sale*, *Street Fest August Sidewalk Sale*, *Halloween Downtown*, *Black Friday*, *the Downtown Tree Lighting Ceremony*, *Shop Local Week* and *Breakfast with Santa*. For other events that are held downtown, they give guidance, promotion, and sponsorship.

Promotion

They are the proud owners of the Downtown Brockville Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts. They create content, strategy plans, and posts, and execute all the marketing and paid advertising you see through those pages. They also create and distribute the downtown map, shopping guide, and restaurant guide.

They listen

In order to meet the needs of the community, they spend a large portion of their time speaking with our businesses, local community organizations, and Brockvillians.

Beautification

Flowers, benches, bike racks, lighting... They steer these projects to help beautify downtown. They organize and execute Communities in Bloom which helps our city's tourism and public image as a whole.

Advocating

When an issue arises that affects the downtown, they do what they can to inform their membership, listen to their concerns, and advocate for them.

Business Retention and Expansion

Their efforts help to keep downtown vibrant and a lucrative place to do business. They work on connecting prospective business owners with the right property, and aim to have a complementary and diverse mix of businesses. Their objective is to help each business individually by providing support and resources they need to thrive and grow. Their office has an open door policy and people are free to stop by anytime.

Contact the DBIA:

📍 downtownbrockville.com

☎ 613-345-3269

Connect your **BUSINESS**

1000 ISLANDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The 1000 Islands CDC serves the needs of businesses, individuals, and community groups throughout the area. They are dedicated to helping small and medium sized businesses by providing: business loans, access to capital, advice and counselling, referrals to specialists, business consulting, liaison with conventional lenders, assistance with business plans, information on government programs.

📍 3 Market Street West, Suite 3

🏠 ticdc.ca

☎ 613-345-6216

BROCKVILLE AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Through proactive leadership in advocacy and networking, the Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce supports and grows businesses to build a strong economic community.

📍 3 Market Street West, Suite 1

🏠 brockvillechamber.com

☎ 613-342-6553

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NETWORK

The Brockville Young Professionals Network works to engage with local, 19-39 year old professionals who want to explore their career and community opportunities in Brockville. The YPN aims to foster connectivity, development and growth for their members through networking events, opportunities for professional development, and advocating for what matters most to their membership. The YPN regularly holds fun, social gatherings including trivia nights, out of town trips to hockey and baseball games, and hosts the annual Amazing Chase Brockville photo scavenger hunt. Find them at

🏠 brockvilleypn.wixsite.com/ypn1

🏠 facebook.com/BrockvilleYoungProfessionals

INTERESTED IN STARTING A BUSINESS IN BROCKVILLE?

Start your research at

🏠 brockville.com/business

QUESTIONS? READY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP?

Contact the Economic Development Department:

Rob Nolan,

Economic Development Director

🏠 rnolan@brockville.com

☎ 613-342-8772 x4445

Meet NATALIE



"I was looking for a place with a sense of community and history (of course), where I would be able to afford a home and one day raise a family. Walkability and natural surroundings were also important to me.

"In 2013 I was offered the position of Curator/Director at the Brockville Museum. At the time, I was still living in the Kingston area and commuting, but by the end of that first year I committed to making the move to Brockville - not just to eliminate the commute or because of job demands - but because I truly felt at home here and found that everything I was looking for was here."

- Natalie Wood, Curator, Brockville Museum

Read the full article at brockville.com/meet-natalie

Employment SERVICES

THE EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION CENTRE (EEC)

The EEC provides services for employers as well as job-seekers. Employers can take advantage of their job board, interview space, training, HR support and more while job seekers can receive employment coaching, educational workshops, skills training and mentorship.

📍 105 Strowger Boulevard

🌐 eecentre.com

☎ 613-498-2111

CAREER SERVICES OF BROCKVILLE

A unique, not-for-profit organization providing vocational services for adults with barriers to employment. Career Services partners with local businesses to provide real work experience, one-on-one training and skill development. Career Services breaks down barriers to employment by providing training, work experience, community placement opportunities, and one-on-one coaching.

📍 89 Hubbell Street

🌐 careerservices.ca

☎ 613-342-5775

ST. LAWRENCE COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Offers a variety of employment assistance resources and information to both job seekers and employers. Looking for employment, information on literacy, academic upgrading, Ontario Works, Ontario Disability Support Program, Second Career, Ontario Self-Employment Benefits or Employment Insurance.

🌐 employmentservices.sl.on.ca

☎ 613-345-0556

ADECCO BROCKVILLE

📍 51 King Street West

🌐 adecco.ca

☎ 613-498-1717

DRAKE INTERNATIONAL

📍 102 King Street West

🌐 ca.drakeintl.com

☎ 613-342-2653

MANPOWER

📍 105 King Street West

🌐 manpower.ca

☎ 613-342-0250

Meet the team behind **DROP. NAUTICAL HANDBAGS**



"Our nautical handbags are inspired by life in the 1000 Islands. The boating population in Brockville is the perfect place to showcase our products."

"Brockville has so many opportunities and representatives who are willing to support small businesses. There are people who are ready and available to help you get your business off the ground!"

- Sandra Nandoo, Drop. Nautical Handbags

Read the full article at **brockville.com/meet-drop**

Tell us your local success story, or nominate a business to be featured by going online to **brockville.com/share**

See why life is



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Have a great story to share about why you (or someone you know) chose Brockville? Get the conversation started at brockville.com/share.

Tag photos that show why you love Brockville on social media with **#BetterInBrockville** and engage with us **@BrockvilleEcDev**.

#BETTERINBROCKVILLE



Read our local success stories
and see how other businesses
and residents are making their
lives **#BetterInBrockville**

brockville.com/local-stories

Sign up for updates and stories
at **brockville.com/newsletter**



THINKING ABOUT MOVING TO OR STARTING A BUSINESS IN BROCKVILLE?

Contact us so we can help.

🏠 **brockville.com/economic-development**

☎ **613-342-8772 x4445**



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1 hour from Ottawa
25 min from Ogdensburg, NY
2 hours from Montreal & Syracuse, NY



MIDWAY BETWEEN TORONTO & MONTREAL

1 hour to Ottawa



CN & CP RAIL LINES

+ VIA Rail daily to Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal



401 HIGHWAY ACCESS

2 International Bridges



135 MILLION PEOPLE

1 days trucking



PUBLIC PARKS & WATERFRONT ACCESS

Parks, trails, boat ramps, islands



WORLD FAMOUS

1000 Islands Region



11 MINUTE

Average commute



NO DEVELOPMENT FEES

on City properties in the industrial park



HIGH SPEED INTERNET CONNECTIVITY



SAFE COMMUNITY

Designated by the World Health Organization



WELCOMING COMMUNITY

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