Social, Cultural and Economic Development Framework

A thriving, inclusive, resilient, and safe community for all

Langley City's SCED strategic initiative aims to create a thriving, inclusive, resilient, and safe community for all. By leveraging cross-sectoral partnerships, Indigenous relations, and community involvement, we will develop sustainable housing, support diverse businesses, enhance public safety, and promote equitable access to education, healthcare, and employment. Our comprehensive approach integrates cultural revitalization, digital inclusion, and environmental stewardship, ensuring long-term economic resilience and social cohesion. Together, we will build a community where every resident, business, and visitor can prosper in a vibrant, secure, and supportive environment, driving forward holistic development and transformative impacts for future generations.



Legislation & Policy:

- Affordable Housing Regulations
- Environmental Regulations
- Indigenous Reconciliation Policies
- Community Safety
 Regulations

Business Drivers:

- Economic growth opportunities
- Small business incentives
- Indigenous Economic Development

Trends:

- Increasing urbanization
- Digital transformation
- Indigenous Knowledge Integration

Challenges:

- Rising cost of living
- Transportation issues
- Indigenous access to services

Issues:

- Health disparities,
- Access to healthcare
- Indigenous health equity

Opportunities:

- Cultural diversity
- Community engagement
- Indigenous cultural revitalization

RESOURCES

- Businesess
- All Levels of Government
- Partnerships and Collaborations

Shared & Leveraged Financial Resources

- Government funding
- Economic and financial assistance grants
- Health-related funding
- Financial aid and incentive programs
- Business, community & Indigenous economic development funds

Human Resources

- Healthcare professionals
- · Community leaders
- Indigenous leaders
- Public safety officials
- Policy experts
- Urban planners
- Indigenous knowledge keepers
- · Tech experts
- Volunteers

Insitutional Resources

- Public / community safety agencies
- Transport authorities
- Business development services
- Community organizations / NGOs
- Indigenous health servicesUrban planning departments
- Educational institutions
- Law enforcement agencies
- Social development organizations

Network and Community Resources

- Indigenous organizations and cultural groups
- · Cross-sectoral partnerships
- Advocacy groups
- Cultural associations
- Local business networks
- · Community health organizations

Tools & Technologies

- Coordinated access for service delivery
- Performance and innovation measurement

STRATEGIC ACTIONS

- Develop inclusive, sustainable affordable housing projects with complementary community amenities that includes community and Indigenous involvement,
- 2. Implement holistic environmental sustainability programs with a focus on reconciliation and safety
- 3. Support diverse and sustainable small businesses, including Indigenous-owned businesses
- 4. Provide economic incentives for green and inclusive practices
- 5. Ensure business security measures
- 6. Implement smart city initiatives focused on resilience, innovation, reconciliation, and safety
- 7. Launch comprehensive digital literacy programs with Indigenous inclusion
- 8. Develop integrated affordable housing and transport solutions
- 9. Enhance sustainable public transportation options through partnerships
- 10. Ensure safe public transit systems
- 11. Organize multicultural and Indigenous cultural events
- Community development and involvement - e.g., dialogue with with a focus on equity, collaboration, reconciliation, and safety
- 13. Develop holistic and equitable community health services and participation programs
- Implement accessible healthcare initiatives with integrated mental health services and safety measures

EARLY OUTCOMES

- Increased number of eco-friendly, climate-resilient affordable housing units, including for Indigenous peoples.
- Equitable and integrated green and community infrastructure providing social innovation spaces.
- Safer housing environments.
- New small businesses established by diverse and Indigenous owners.
- Increased revenue from sustainable practices.
- Safer and more sustainable business environments.
- Improved resilient urban infrastructure.
- Increased digital skills across the
- Enhanced public safety measures.
- Increased affordable housing near transport hubs.
- Improved sustainable and accessible public transit.
- Safer transportation options, including hubs of services and community safety support near transit.
- Increased number of inclusive and diverse arts and cultural events.
- Higher community participation and engagement.
- Safer and more inclusive community events promoting a stronger sense of community and belonging.
- Increased access to integrated supports for newcomers, addressing specific population needs for community health and participation.
- Equitable and integrated green infrastructure
- More sustainable investments

MID-OUTCOMES

- Reduced housing insecurity
- Improved environmental quality
- Enhanced community well-being

• Strengthened Indigenous

- relations
 Increased community
- Greater economic diversification

safety

- More equitable and sustainable business practices
- Enhanced business safety
- Enhanced quality of life
- Greater digital inclusion
- Community adaptability to digital changes
- Greater respect for Indigenous knowledge
- Reduced living costs
- Enhanced mobility and accessibility
- More integrated housing and transport solutions
- Improved transportation safety
- Greater social cohesion
- Better community engagement
- Strengthened cultural understanding and equity
- Revitalized Indigenous cultures
- Enhanced event safety
- Improved access to shortand long-term health, counseling, and community services for people with diverse backgrounds

LONG-TERM IMPACTS

- Sustainable and Inclusive Communities
- Enhanced Environmental Sustainability
- Increased Social Equity
- Strengthened Community Relationships
- Long-Term Reduction in Homelessness
- Sustainable Community DevelopmentMore Job Creation and Economic
- Diversity

 More Equitable and Safe Business
- More Empowered Indigenous Businesses
- Smart, Resilient Community Development
- Enhanced Digital Skills and Inclusion
- Greater Respect for Indigenous Knowledge
- Improved Quality of Life

Practices

- Safer and Sustainable Urban Environments
- Enhanced Mobility, Accessibility, and Integrated Urban Living
- Improved Access and Opportunities for Indigenous Communities
- Cultural Revitalization and Greater Social Cohesion

Increased Community Engagement and

- Participation

 Enhanced Community Safety
- Greater Reconciliation and Equity
- Reduced Health Disparities and Improved Access to Healthcare
- Enhanced Indigenous Health Equity and Mental Health Services
- Optimum Levels of Built, Social, and Communications Infrastructure