THE BEST OF Nova Scotia IN ONE PLACE

Niche Manufacturing & Value-Added



A vibrant economic engine based on manufacturing niche, high-value products derived from locally sourced inputs, this sector is one of the Municipality of Chester's longest standing and most innovative. It encompasses different industries with a focus on Forestry, Advanced Manufacturing and Food & Beverage.

Key Industries



Forestry

Maibec CanExel

Lunenburg County Christmas Tree Producers Association



Advanced Manufacturing

Hawboldt Industries

GN Thermoforming Equipment

Vale Packaging



Food & Beverage

Black Harbour Distillers Inc

Bulwark Cider

Dan's Microgreens

Peasant's Pantry

Tanner & Co. Brewing

Tipping Point Distillers

Cedar Bay Grilling Company





15,000 acres of Christmas trees in production in Nova Scotia, with the majority in Lunenburg County



28 tonnes – lifting capacity of Canada's largest marine crane built by Chester based Hawboldt Industries



1200 – GN Thermoforming Equipment roll-fed thermoformers installed worldwide



#1 – Cedar Bay Grilling
Company won Best New
Product award in the
Meat, Egg & Seafood
category at the Canadian
Grand Prix Awards

Why The Municipality of Chester for your Business?



Comparatively **low development charges** and tax rates



\$389,000 – Average home price (national average of \$746,000)



\$1,500 – Average monthly Commercial Lease



21% – Canada's total tax rate (2nd lowest amongst OECD countries for small-medium enterprises)



4% – Lower Cost of Living compared to National Average



\$54,336 – Median Household Income



More diverse workforce – **5.4%** of residents were born outside of Canada. This is higher than many rural areas, and also higher than the provincial average of 5.3%



75% of people have reported a strong sense of "belonging to a community"



Municipality of Chester Economic Development

Our dedicated team of Economic Development and Planning professionals will personally work with you to understand your specific needs and make suggestions for potential locations. We offer a tailored solution for your organizations needs, helping you navigate municipal and provincial permits and requirements.

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Strategic Location

Boston

New York





40 minutes to downtown Halifax



100-series highway provides access to market



70 km to Halifax Stanfield International Airport



50 km to Port of Halifax



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