THE BEST OF Nova Scotia IN ONE PLACE

# Construction



Our vibrant construction industry is fueled by our high concentration of skilled trades workers which is higher than both similar communities and the province as a whole.

## **Highly Skilled Labour Force**

Hold an apprenticeship or post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree

**Educated** in engineering & related technology Work in the construction industry

In the working age group (15 to 64 years)



**66** Construction companies



**2nd Largest** employing industry in the Municipality



**40** Development permits issued (2019)



**39** Housing Starts (2019)

# **A Land of Opportunity**



There is no shortage of construction opportunities in the Municipality of Chester Senior Housing: With an inadequate supply of seniors housing, the Municipality of Chester is in need of affordable units in all types.

Long-Term Rentals: As a thriving tourist destination, Chester's short-term rental success has created a shortage of long-term rental units.

#### Why The Municipality of Chester for your Business?



Comparatively **low development charges** and tax rates



**\$275,000** – Average home price (national average of \$503,000)



**\$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"



# The 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.

#### **For More Information Contact:**

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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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