# **Strategic Plan 2022 - 2024**



### **Vision – Mission - Values**

#### **Vision**

Niagara to be at our economic and social best

#### **Mission**

With broad engagement, we advance the interests of our membership through advocacy and services, building prosperity for the people of Niagara

#### **Values**

- Forward-thinking
- Non-partisan and principled
- Inclusive, collaborative and respectful
  - Accountable and responsible



### **Strategies 2022 - 2024**

Maximize Member Services + Optimize
Business
Advocacy

Strengthen

Organizational

Capacity

Advance
Niagara's
Prosperity



### **Strategy 1: Maximize Member Services**

In our commitment to continuously deliver value to our members, we will provide relevant programs and services so that businesses can prosper and connect to new customers and partners

#### **Actions:**

- Targeted communication to meet the changing and growing needs of our members
- Provide wrap-around services to support member's needs (i.e., EDI, HR, mental health, legal, up- and re-skilling needs, Truth and Reconciliation)
- Provide tools and templates to support business growth to allow businesses to compete globally
- Invest in new technology to modernize engagement initiatives

#### **Outcomes:**

- Stronger value for businesses and higher member satisfaction
- Increased revenue sources for GNCC
- Increased community engagement



### **Strategy 2: Optimize Business Advocacy**

Strengthen existing policy development and advocacy by introducing new ways to increase impact and value for members and community

#### **Actions:**

- Prioritize key, multi-year policy initiatives (e.g., equitable economic recovery, housing, public transportation, climate change) to ensure maximum impact
- Develop a partnership advocacy model where members invest in key advocacy initiatives and reports (i.e., advocacy papers, stakeholder gatherings)
- Leverage key stakeholders and partners to advance policy
- Maximize communication channels and technology to broaden the reach of key messages and therefore increase community relevancy and engagement

#### **Outcomes:**

- Increased level of influence
- Stronger value proposition for members and increased relevancy for broader community

### **Strategy 3: Strengthen Organizational Capacity**

Invest in staff and talent development to support capacity building while at the same time strengthen our brand through targeted stakeholder collaboration and partnerships

#### **Actions:**

- Invest in skill development and optimize organizational set-up (i.e., office)
- Expand relevant performance metrics in all areas of the operation
- Integrate Equity, Diversity and Inclusion practices
- Align Advisory Councils to strategies to strengthen their niche relevancy
- Establish key partnerships aimed at advancing Niagara's prosperity and brand strength (i.e., NIA, NHBA)

#### **Outcomes:**

- Improved staff retention and satisfaction
- Increased ability to attract and maintain key talent (i.e., staff, councils, board)
- Strengthened position as a critical community partner



## **Implementation Schedule 2022-2024**

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