

Inclusion & Equity Framework

At the Calgary Chamber, we know we are Better Together.

Our north star is to empower the business community to advance a prosperous Calgary — one that thrives by making space for everyone. By advancing inclusion, diversity, equity and accessibility (IDEA), we strengthen Calgary's business community, deepen relationships and use our platform and convening power to foster a more equitable, welcoming and successful city for all. We are grateful to our Board, IDEA Sub-Committee, Staff Working Group, members and partners who guide this work.

Priority #1 Embedding IDEA in Internal Culture

Develop an organizational culture that reflects the value and principles of IDEA in all aspects.

Actions

- Train staff, Board and volunteers on IDEA
- Update hiring and employment practices
- Review engagement practices for equity and inclusivity
- Align our brand with our values

Priority #2 Connecting Members with Resources

Support businesses in navigating and advancing IDEA in their own organizations by providing resources and wayfinding.

Actions

- Share resources and research with our business community
- Convene the business community to share best practices
- Publicly share our progress on IDEA initiatives
- Provide opportunities for member input into IDEA initiatives

Priority #3 Advocating & Amplifying Voices

Use our platform to amplify underrepresented voices and advocate for government policies that reflect the economic priorities of diverse people — supporting a more inclusive economy for all.

Actions

- Champion and amplify diverse voices
- Engage, build and strengthen relationships with diverse communities
- Advocate for systemic change through our public policy efforts

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