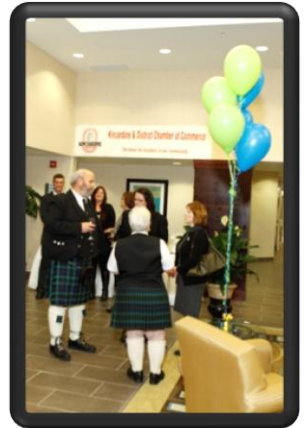




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# Benefits of Membership

√ Your own your own webpage on the Chamber's popular website. It can be updated by you, as often as you'd like. Chamber members can include a lengthy article, photograph or logo as well as a link to their own website. (Please note the website is currently undergoing an update and refresh)

√ The opportunity to become part of the Chambers of Commerce Group Insurance Plan which offers health, dental and life insurance to members with one or more employees, at reduced rates normally offered only to large companies.

√ Access to the Group Home and Auto Insurance Plan which offers discounts to Chamber members.

√ "Preferred Pricing" program with TD Merchant Services for Visa, MasterCard and Interac transactions. Monthly fees and set up fees are waived.

√ Regular business promotions that help bring customers/clients to the area and your door, as well as promote doing business locally.

√ Business luncheons and workshops on topics of interest to Chamber members.

√ Discounted rates on advertising done through the Chamber. The Chamber is able to secure discounted rate packages on

√ The opportunity to serve on various committees to help improve and promote Kincardine's business sector and the Municipality as a whole.

√ Access to communications on various issues relating to the business community and beyond.

√ Newsletters and regular email updates containing business news and Chamber happenings.

√ As a Member of the Chamber of Commerce, Chamber staff will act as a referral service for your business directing customer traffic your way.

√ Opportunities to network with local businesses at business functions and social events.

√ Access to export stamp.

√ Benefit from information and opportunities through various community partnerships such as, the BIA, Penetangore Regional Development Corporation, Municipality of Kincardine, Ontario Chamber of Commerce and many more.

**2015 Board of Directors**  
**Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce**

<i>Past President:</i>	<i>Linda Bowers</i>
<i>President:</i>	<i>Travis Crawford</i>
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<i>Secretary:</i>	<i>Justine McManus</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Linda Bowers (interim)</i>
<i>Director :</i>	<i>Joe Carter</i>
<i>Director:</i>	<i>Christina Wahi</i>
<i>Executive Director</i>	<i>Colleen Dostle</i>

**Get Involved!**

- Business After Hours
- Fish Kincardine Derby
- Team Kincardine Initiatives
- Member to Member Discounts
- Community Achievements Awards
- Santa Claus Parade
- Expo Home and Garden Show
- Newsletter Submissions
- Chamber Chat

## **Committee Definitions**

### **Executive Committee Definition**

This committee will be comprised of the President, Past President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Director. This committee will be responsible for overseeing all aspects and duties of the Chamber Board including the role of the President.

### **Website Committee Definition**

This committee will be responsible for the maintenance, direction on the development and the marketing of the Kincardine Chamber website. The aim of this committee is to reinforce the Chamber's message and strengthen its reputation as the voice business in our community.

### **Strategic Plan Committee Definition**

This committee will be responsible for continually reviewing, adapting, and implementing the strategic plan as a guiding principal for the Kincardine and District Chamber of Commerce. The Strategic plan will be evaluated over a 1-5 year period addressing the issues and opportunities that could potentially impact the Chamber. The committee will address the long standing and immerging needs of the community and ensure that the strategic plan is utilized as a living document to guide the Chamber.

### **Events & Fundraising Committee Definition**

This committee will be responsible for initiating, promoting and executing Chamber events. The role of the committee members is to promote a positive image of the Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce, through partnerships, member involvement and special events for the betterment of the membership and community as a whole. The committee strives to keep a pulse on the community calendar of events in an effort to maximise results while minimizing duplication and overlap. The committee oversees three major annual events and several smaller partnership driven projects. Each of the four sub committees is chaired by a different committee member, while the overall committee is chaired by a member of the executive.

### **Ways & Means Committee Definition**

This committee will be responsible for the implementation of projects as requested by other committees. This committee will oversee the inventory of various items in storage.

### **By-law Review Committee**

This committee will review the current by-laws and consider the examples of other Chambers in Ontario, and to further explore the potential changes to the operations and management of the Chamber given that the proposed changes to the Ontario Corporations Act, anticipated to be enacted this year, may impact the operation and management of Not For Profit organization.

### **CEDC Definition**

This committee will liaison with Municipality, BIA and EDC and support other likeminded economic driven partnerships and projects. The committee will reinforce the Chamber's message and strengthen its reputation as the voice business in our community. On a rotating basis committee members will support new and relocating business owners. The committee will meet when issues arise. A member of this committee will provide a CEDC submission for the Chamber newsletter.

### **Fish Derby Committee**

This committee will oversee the Kincardine Fish Derby. The committee will strive to involve as many community partners and Chamber Members as possible.

### **Membership and Nomination Committee**

This committee will oversee the recruitment of new members. Create and maintain pamphlets and information for the website on the benefits of membership. In preparation for the AGM the chair will confirm which Board members will be returning and submit names for any positions that need to be filled.

### **Member 2 Member Program Committee**

This committee will explore other member 2 member programs, adopt best practices and implement a program in Kincardine.



# The Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce Membership Application

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been in business? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the primary reason for joining the Chamber?

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What do you hope to gain as a member of the Chamber?

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How do you plan to contribute and/or participate?

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Please indicate which if any committees are of interest to you?

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Kincardine & District Chamber Of Commerce  
2015-2016  
Membership INVOICE

**Annual Membership: \$169.50 a year (includes HST)**

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PLEASE NOTE: That due to regulations in the non-profit act that we are unable to charge a non-profit rate.

Business Name:  
Contact Person:  
Email:  
Phone:  
Total Amount Enclosed:

Please make cheque payable to the Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce  
Payment can be mailed to PO Box 115 Kincardine Ontario N2Z 2Y1  
Or call 519.396.9333 and I will pick it up.

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