

Advantages & Accolades

The County of Brant is the ideal location for a new investment opportunity. By relocating or expanding your business here, you can expect an increase in both your efficiency and profits. The County's picturesque assets and low business cost advantages stand as key points worthy of consideration by businesses that seek a balanced lifestyle.

The County stands by a 12 point value proposition for businesses, which is detailed below:

12 Point Value Proposition

1. Large sized, available parcels of Employment designated lands zoned for industrial use;
2. Low development charge fees;
3. Low industrial/commercial tax rates;
4. Publically held lands that are competitively priced;
5. Legal and survey costs included in the price of publically held lands;
6. Building permits calculated at \$14.00/\$1,000 of construction value on buildings (halved to \$7.00/\$1,000 of construction value on buildings greater than 300,000 square feet);
7. A market area of 1.5 million within a 45 minute drive;
8. Investments in infrastructure improvements throughout the area;
9. A rural workforce that are competent, strong and dedicated;
10. Conveniently located in south-central Ontario with easy access to Highway 403 and US border crossings;
11. A quaint, picturesque quality of life for an equal work/life balance; and
12. A progressive and business friendly County Council and Economic Development team.



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Market Access

- International, regional and municipal airport access;
- Port facilities in Toronto & Hamilton;
- Convenient access to United States border crossings;
- Access to major Provincial Highways (401, 403 & QEW);
- CN inter-modal terminal in Brampton & CP terminals in Etobicoke & London;
- An abundance of trucking/logistics providers in the area; and
- Close to many major urban centres.

Diversified Economy and Strong Infrastructure

- Site location of manufacturers, warehousing/logistics companies, and a wide mix of other industries;
- Increased population growth over the last decade;
- Residential, commercial and industrial building permits show positive community growth;
- Adequate supply of land and real estate opportunities; and
- Reliable supply of affordable hydro, natural gas and telecommunication networks.

Skilled and Educated Labour

- Access to a well-educated and skilled labour pool of more than 800,000 workers within a 30 minute commute;
- Excellent quality school system with access to 12 elementary schools and one secondary school; and
- Access to a skilled network of graduates from 18 of Ontario's premier post-secondary institutions, all of which are located within 130 kilometres of the County.

Quality of Life

- Over 70 kilometres of maintained trail systems and in excess of 45 recreational parks offering playgrounds, sports fields and so much more;
- Beautiful golf courses, many of which accentuate the picturesque Grand River;
- Flourishing in arts and culture, shopping and lifestyle amenities;
- Excellent health care, affordable rural and urban housing and welcoming, safe neighbourhoods; and
- Modern, first class sports centres, which has our general area referred to as the "Tournament Capital of Ontario."