

# Smart Cities Niagara Overview

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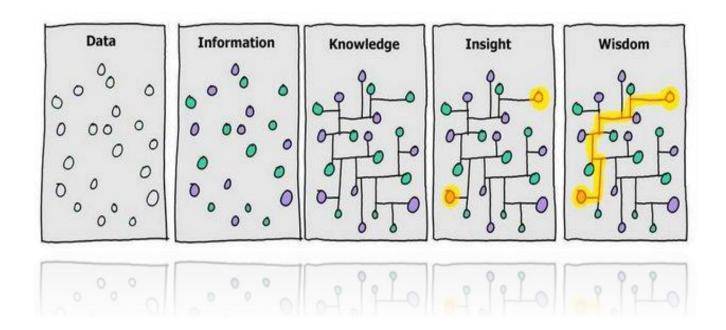


# Agenda

- What is a Smart City
- Niagara's Smart Cities Challenge Application
  - Engagement
  - Sense of Belonging
  - Strategic Alignment
  - Leveraging Data & Technology
- Additional Information

# What is a Smart City?

• Smart cities use data and technology to create *efficiencies*, improve *sustainability*, create *economic development*, and *enhance quality of life* factors for people living and working in the city.







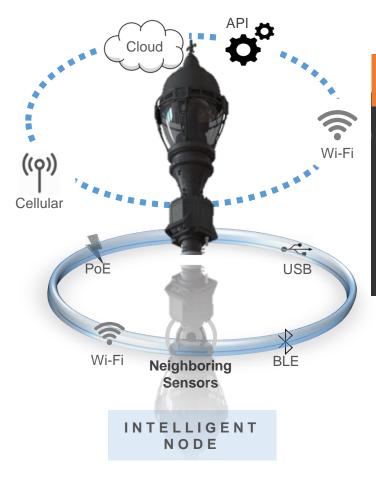
# What is a Smart City?

#### **Smart City Enablers...**

- Real-time Data Analytics
- Cloud computing
- IoT (Internet of Things e.g. sensors)
- Broadband / Narrowband (LPWAN)
- M2M Secure Communications
- Collaboration / Engagement
- Digital Literacy

# SMART CITIES NIAGARA

# **Smart Cities Example**

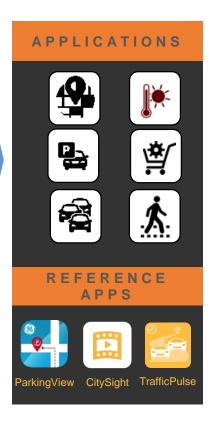


REAL-TIME & HISTORICAL

Traffic
Parking
Pedestrian
Media
Environmental
Other

Partners
SIs
Entrepreneurs
Incubators
High School
College
Hackathons
Etc.

DEVELOPERS





# About the Challenge





# PRIZES TO BE WON:



2 PRIZES: \$10 M ER. OPEN TO COMMUNITIES UNDER 500,000 PPL





# **Collaborative Application**

#### **Municipal Partners**





























# **Collaborative Application**

#### **Community Partners**



































## Engagement

#### 7 Open Community Meetings

• Brock University x2, Niagara College, Four Points Sheraton, St. Catharines Central Library, NOTL Community Center, Ridgeway Farmer's Market

#### **10 Stakeholder Meetings**

Representation from Municipal and Community partners

#### 2 Online Surveys

Over 400 responses: results released on the NiagaraOpenData.ca

#### **Social Media**

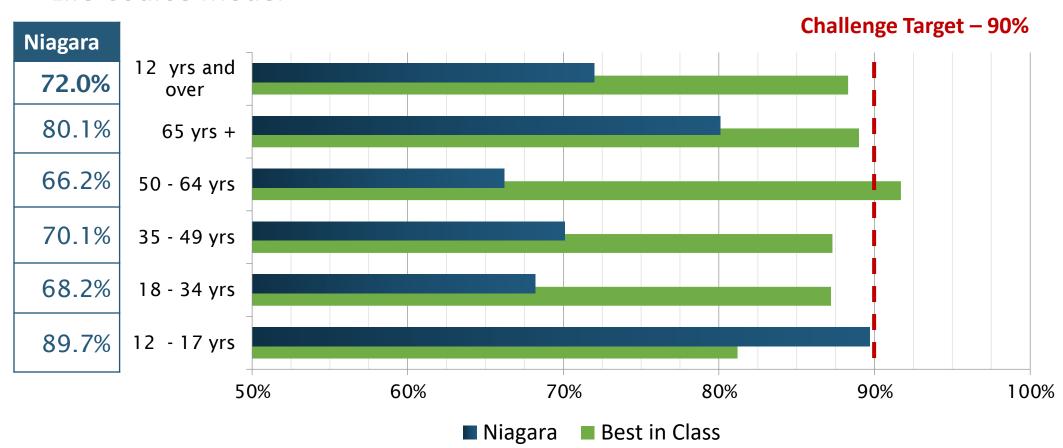
225,000+ Social media interactions (Twitter, Facebook, Website)

#### **Brock University Students**

 100 Brock University MBA Student papers specifically on the Niagara Smart Cities Challenge

# Sense of Belonging

Life Course Model



Source: Statistics Canada. Table 105-0508 - Canadian health characteristics, annual estimates, by age group and sex, Canada (excluding territories) and provinces, occasional (number unless otherwise noted), CANSIM (database),

Labrador-Grenfell Regional Integrated Health Authority, Newfoundland and Labrador

# Why Sense of Belonging

**Affecting Factors** 











# Economic Inclusion

- Skill Gap
- Wage Equality and Distribution
- Household Income
- Youth Employment Rate

# Safety & Security

- Crime Rates
- Crime Severity
   Index
- Falls

#### Housing

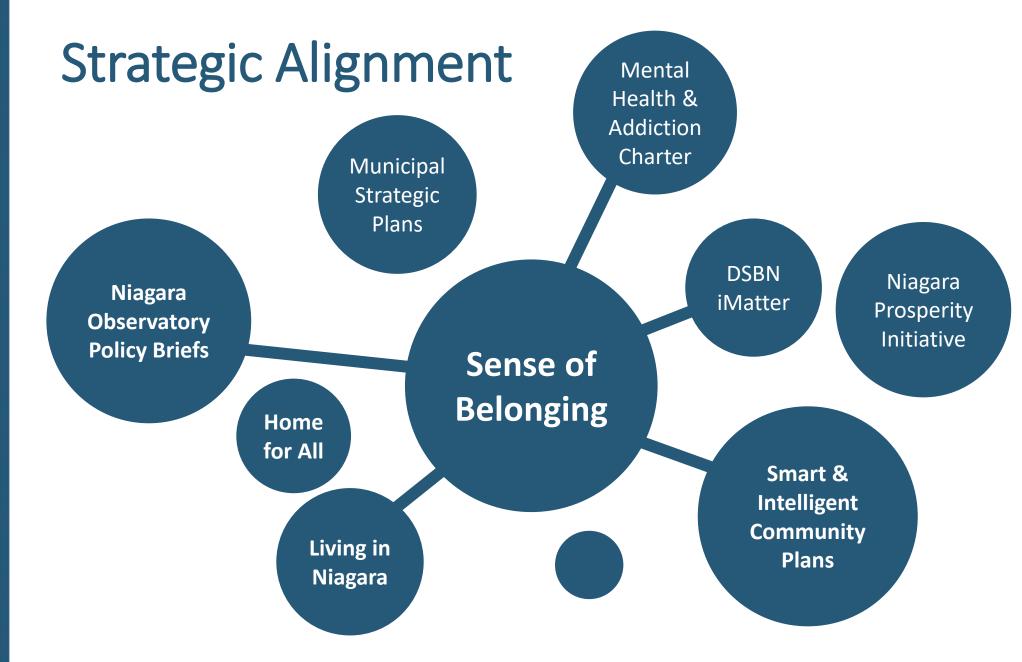
- Low Income Cutoffs
- Shelter Visits /Length of stay

- Family / School
- Educational Attainment
  - Number of Friends/Contact
  - Substance Abuse

#### Public Space

- Connectivity
- Walkability/ Accessibility









# Leveraging Data and Technology

#### Reimagined connectivity hubs that enable participation by all

- Creation of connected Community Shelters/Benches/Kiosks
- Expand the role of libraries
- Design roving mobile hubs
- Plan Niagara iNnovation Neighborhoods
- Develop augmented reality app to connect people with the history of Niagara

#### A digital ecosystem that makes 'invisible' members of society visible

- Leverage Artificial Intelligence to connect people to employment, volunteering, mentoring and recreation opportunities.
- Implement a Digital Identity model in partnership with federal and provincial initiatives.











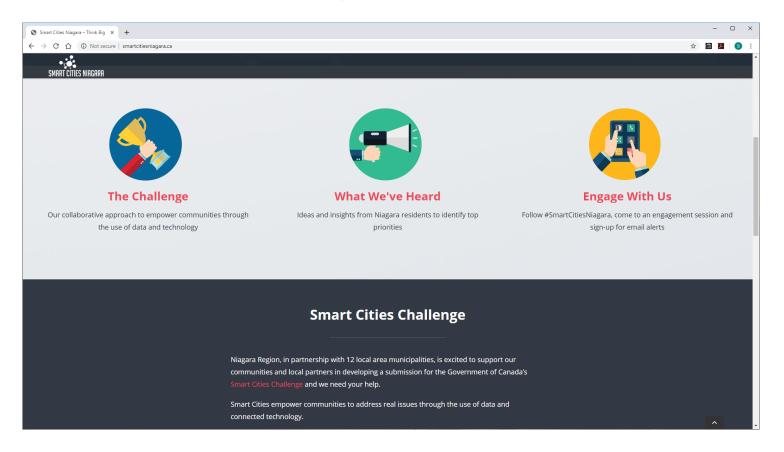






### **Additional Information**

#### http://smartcitiesniagara.ca/



#### **Smart Cities and Communities (SCC)**

Community Value Created...

	Туре	Value proposition
Sustainable Urban Mobility	Real-time road user information	Enable people to take informed decisions about their mobility, saving time and energy.
	ITS-based enhancements of public transport	Reduce waiting time as well as emissions, and facilitate intermodal commuting.
	ITS for traffic monitoring, management and enforcement	Optimise fleet management and route scheduling.
Sustainable Districts & Built Environment	Smart technologies for the built environment	Pursue better living, resource efficiency and waste reduction.
	Sustainable districts	Reduce emissions and resource consumption by embedding integrated energy efficiency technologies.
	Place making	Create communities of interest that can be key to support integrated SCC solutions.
Integrated Infrastructure & Processes	Smart City Platforms	Allows real time monitoring and preventive steering of cities.
	Intelligent City Services	Co-ownership of local matters and outcomes. Efficiency savings for city administrations. Stimulate involvement at local level.
	Smart grids	Collected information and insights may serve planners and managers, but are often also shared with users, who can take more informed decisions and can also become <i>prosumers</i> , i.e. users that can switch from being energy consumers to becoming producers based on the circumstances.