



# Roadmap to Reinventi on

Bow Valley College  
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# Supporting Economic Vitality and Innovation

- Access
  - High engagement of women (76% of enrollees)
  - Engagement of sub-populations otherwise underrepresented in learning and the labour force
- Education solutions responsive to labour force needs and economic challenges
  - Applied education focus
  - Highly flexible delivery
  - Targeted skills and competency development

# Supporting Economic Vitality and Innovation

- Flexible, targeted learning solutions
  - Engage displaced workers and professionals for redeployment
  - Enable people with escaping precarious employment for more viable labour force roles
  - Foster career readiness and advancement
- Research Partnerships
  - Strong role in working with industry to solve industry problems
  - Industry keeps intellectual property
- Convenor of innovation stakeholders

# Making Downtown More Vibrant

- Drawing 18,000+ learners and 900 employees into the east downtown regularly
- Campus buildings new or recently retrofitted
  - LEAD Silver and LEAD status on South and North Campuses respectively
- Well maintained and bright buildings
  - Combination of bright lights and abundant glass spill lighting into the public realm
- Vegetated rooftops
  - Mitigating the urban heat island effect
  - Mitigating storm runoff



# Making Downtown More Vibrant

| Downtown Plan Strategic Move                 | Context   | Mitigation  |
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| <b>Neighbourhoods for vibrant urban life</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bow Valley College is situated in a precinct that doesn't feel safe or vibrant. Student and employee community are generally self-contained to physical campus buildings.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We want students and employees to have access to and enjoy nearby green spaces and local commercial amenities as part of learning and work experience. Social disorder must be mitigated.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Transit for all</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjacent to property bus stops along 6<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues are not welcoming. The space and amenities for people are congested, inadequate for the volume.</li> <li>City Hall C-Train station doesn't feel safe or vibrant. Improvements are required to mitigate social disorder, untidiness, and obstructions to through pedestrian traffic between East Village and downtown.</li> <li>Bow Valley College is only post-secondary excluded from U-pass agreement.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bow Valley College students and employees are heavy users of Calgary Transit. The College is supportive of the commitments to improve transit stations and stops to create a welcoming experience.</li> <li>Resolve inequity of Bow Valley College students' exclusion from a universal transit pass agreement.</li> </ul> |

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| Streets for People           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Busy arterial roadways in the immediate area of the College make for a hostile vulnerable road user environment, restricting access to nearby amenities.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The College supports initiatives in the plan to expand and enhance a multi-modal transportation network and focus on gaps in walking and bicycling infrastructure.</li><li>• An expectation of increased pedestrian traffic from the College and City Hall to the new RioCan retail development, <i>Fifth and Third</i>, may require enhanced pedestrian safety improvements at intervening intersections.</li></ul> |

# Thank you.

Questions?

