# **OPPORTUNITY CALGARY INVESTMENT FUND**

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Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund

## WHAT IS OCIF

- The \$100M Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund (OCIF) was created by The City of Calgary in 2018
- Transformational investments that align with the economic strategy: <u>Calgary in the New</u>
   <u>Economy</u>
- Projects that receive OCIF backing are driving innovation and growing the ecosystems in key sectors that position Calgary to lead digital transformation in Canada's industrial sectors.



## \$100M OPPORTUNITY CALGARY INVESTMENT FUND

FUNDING COMMITTED TO DATE



## **CALGARY COMPANIES**

**RECIPIENTS** & SECTORS

BrightSquid (health)MobSquad (tech)InterGen (talent)Attabotics (tech/logistics)SAIT DX (tech/talent)LodgeLink (tech)Harvest Ventures (tech)Life Sciences Innovation Hub (health)Alberta IoT (tech)Parkland Fuel (energy)

NPower Canada (talent) Lighthouse Labs (talent) Finger Food (tech) AltaML (talent) Endeavor (tech)

### Calgary's Startup Ecosystem Community Goal - 2,334 Start Up Companies & 1,000 Core Tech Companies by 2031



Calgary's tech sector has been growing for decades. The sonit of entrepreheurship is strong and our ecosystem provides opportunities to access support and development. We've even seen a number of homegrowin businesses graduate to the world stage and succeed. Today, our tech sector is full of potential and Calgary's tech leaders and aspring founders alke are thinking about the future.



50 Major Tech Companies

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As the world changes around us, industries are planning for the future amid great uncertainties. At Platform, CEO Dr. Terry Rock teamed up with CED/Startup Calgary to review global research and set a long-term goal for Calgary's tech sector, to have 1000 minovation-driven, high growth, global market tech companies supporting 45,000 jobs at above-average compensation.



GOAL

4,700 jobs by 2031







- GOAL + 9,300 jobs by 2031
- GOAL + 10,000 jobs by 2031



17 Super Major Tech Companies



3334 total Calgary core tech companies by 2031

**= 45,000**+ jobs

## **PRE-SERIES A FUNDING GAP EXISTS FOR MOST STARTUP ECOSYSTEMS WORLDWIDE**



OCIF is currently not addressing the Pre Series A funding gap. Funding late-stage startups does not address the needs of our Start Up Ecosystem.



ALMOST 50% OF OCIF APPLICANTS ARE TOO SMALL OR TOO EARLY IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT TO MEET OCIF MINIMUM CRITERIA

### THE SOLUTION

#### **Fund Manager Partnership**

OCIF will partner with a fund manager to invest in a fund and leverage more investment dollars, doubling the dollars going into the community.



#### **New Investment Fund**

\$15M

The Fund will focus on the gap between Seed to Series A level capital where companies have early revenues and are starting to grow.

Scaling Capital

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Using a private sector fund manager allows us to take advantage of sector domain expertise in the market to manage and expedite investment decisions and distributions.





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Matching funds will double the available investment dollars



Provides increased market coverage



Private sector fund manager provides domain sector expertise



Opportunity to efficiently expedite the flow of dollars



Any returns generated will flow back into OCIF



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## opportunity calgary investment fund Request

The OCIF Ltd. board of directors is recommending that Council approve the amended Terms of Reference (TOR) to allow up to \$10 million of OCIF to be invested in investment vehicles established and operated by third parties

Please refer to PFC cover report for additional
TOR housekeeping amendments and other
proposed amendments to allow the direction of
OCIF funds to an investment fund managed by a
third party.







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PROCESS

- Deliver a Request for Proposal
  - Have prospective fund managers/fund submit their interest – process closed on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### OCIF Evaluation Committee

• OCIF Team, CFO

### OCIF Selection Committee

- Voting: OCIF Board
- Non-Voting: OCIF Executive
- Advisors: External legal counsel

### Announcement

• Public announcement by July 30<sup>th</sup>



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## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Positive track record in early-stage investing and venture capital fund management.
- Established networks with Calgary investors and startup ecosystem.
- Ability to place investment professional in Calgary.
- Established investment processes and backoffice function.
- Ability to demonstrate EDI initiatives.



- 1. The fund receives capital from the City, and through an Investment Agreement, holds LP units for their investment.
- 2. Limited Partner (LP): The City, Institutional investors, high-net-worth individuals, and/or endowments who contribute capital and co-mingle it to the investment vehicle under the LPA. The sum of each of the LPs committed capital is the total amount of Assets Under Management (AUM).
- 3. Investment manager (Portfolio Manager), manages Fund (LP) investment in qualified portfolio companies.
- 4. General Partner (GP): Fund administrator responsible for attaining capital commitments from investors known as limited partners (LPs). Sources dealflow picks which investments (ventures) will be included in the portfolio. The GP is concerned with the daily management of the total dollars raised and committed (fund/close).
- 5. There will be an LP Agreement that lays out investment objectives, cash injections, reinvestment of funds, management fees, and other key factors.