INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

Whitby's Information Communication Technology sector features a region-wide innovation ecosystem providing entrepreneurs and innovators with the necessary tools and resources to develop and commercialize their technologies.





1855 Whitby Technology Accelerator



We partner and collaborate with other support organizations in the innovation and technology fields.

1855 Accelerator was established as a strategic initiative funded by the Town of Whitby and the CEO of local tech industry leader 360Insights. 1855's vision is to accelerate growth and expand the innovation sector by enabling entrepreneurs to secure resources and capital.

Spark Centre is an industry-led non-profit technology incubator providing innovators, technology based businesses and researchers with space, services and programs to help them develop a minimal viable product with a distinct competitive advantage.

Ontario Power Generation (OPG) X-Lab is an innovation accelerator, with the mandate to create minimum viable products that improve the overall reliability and safety of OPG nuclear stations.



Our education partners offer several innovative and unique undergraduate and graduate programs focusing on all aspects of information technology.

- Ontario Tech University
- Durham College
- Trent University Durham Campus
- Courses include: Computer Science, Data Science, Game Development & Interactive Media, Networking and Information Technology Security, and more

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You’ve got access to a huge amount of talent that would rather work in the town that they live in versus commuting to Toronto. That’s a real advantage, so Whitby is like the best kept secret for tech.”

David Lahey, Predictive Success Corporation

geekspeak

Proudly located in Downtown Whitby, geekspeak works closely with retailers, manufacturers, distributors and marketplaces worldwide to create content that drives sales for eCommerce platforms. geekspeak has become a central player in Durham Region’s burgeoning technology sector, serving well-known brands like Amazon, Canadian Tire, Walmart, Staples, New Balance and Best Buy.

Active participants in the growth and development of the sector and its workforce in Whitby, geekspeak’s Founder, Isaac Wanzama says, “You start with two, and then three, then four, and as that happens (and 1855 is a great reason for this), you see this ecosystem happening, and then people think of Whitby and Durham differently. We begin to be able to tell different stories about what we’re good at as a community. All of a sudden, you can work in the tech industry in Durham without having to go to Toronto.”

