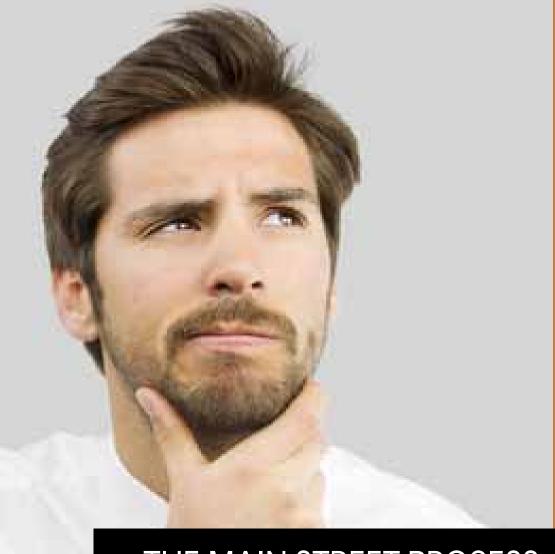
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Planning for Success





THE MAIN STREET PROCESS

Hmmm...do I use a process proven to work, one that is tried and true, and likely successful...or not?

FOR POINT APPROACH

- Organization
- Marketing & Promotion
- Design & Heritage Conservation
- Economic Restructuring

FOUR POINT APPROACH Organization













FOUR POINT APPROACH Marketing & Promotion













FOUR POINT APPROACH Design & Heritage Conservation













FOUR POINT APPROACH Economic Restructuring







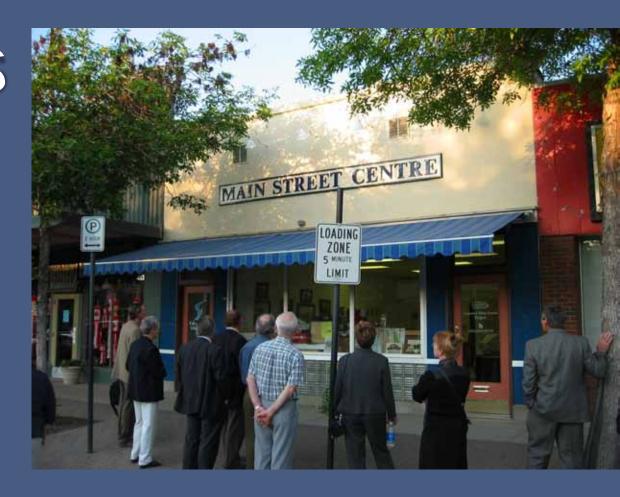






Model for Success

National Main Street Center Heritage Canada Foundation Foundation Rues principales Alberta Main Street Program Main Street Saskatchewan



What are the common elements that help tie things together to bring success?

What are the challenges?

Common Elements

Guiding Principles

Standards of Performance

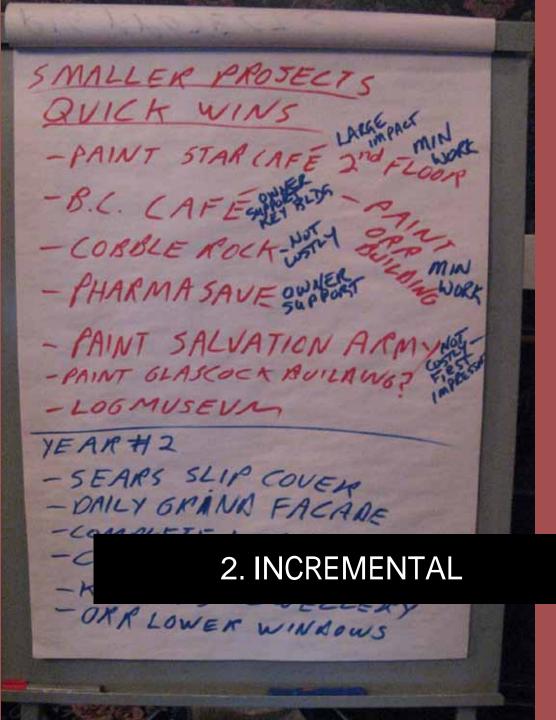
The National Trust for Historic Preservation

Guiding Principles

- 1. Comprehensive
- 2. Incremental
- 3. Self-help
- 4. Partnerships
- 5. Capitalizing on existing assets
- 6. Quality
- 7. Change
- 8. Implementation

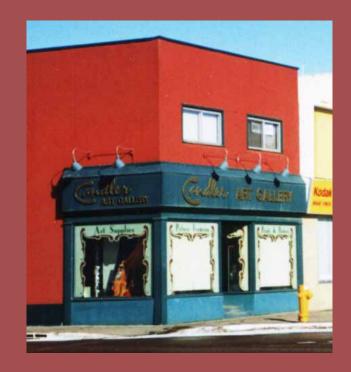


The Four Point Approach is applied in unison...each point can't act alone.



"Rome was not built in a day."

Start slow and steady...quick wins.



Before Rehabilitation

Camrose, Alberta





Before Rehabilitation

Vilna, Alberta





Before Rehabilitation

Ponoka, Alberta

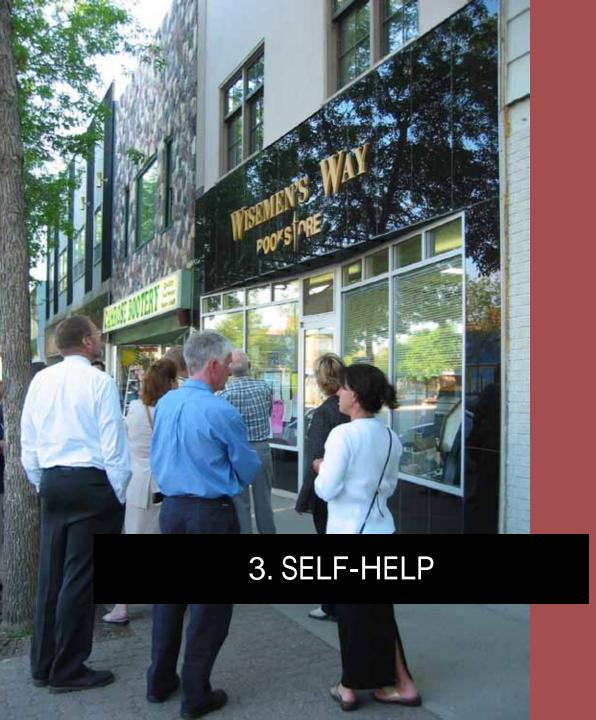




Before Rehabilitation

Wainwright, Alberta





Engage the community, mobilize, foster pride and create a sense of community.





Public and private partnerships are essential.



Historic commercial districts are unique and distinctive.







It should be the backbone of the revitalization program.











Change is good...it will happen...and most times for the better.













Visible results create confidence, excitement, and a sense of anticipation.



Ten Standards of Performance

- Community Support
- 2. Vision and Mission
- 3. Work Plan / Implementation Plan
- 4. Preservation Ethic
- 5. Board & Committees
- 6. Adequate Budget
- 7. Program Manager
- Ongoing Training
- 9. Key Statistics
- 10. Networking

1. Community Support

- **ü** Community representation
- Philosophical commitment
- Public and private sector partnerships
- **u** Public engagement













2. Vision and Mission

- **u** All-encompassing vision statement
- Mission statements for board & committees
- Statements that drive program and press releases
- Reflect results of community engagement



"That's our new mission statement."

3. Work Plan / Implementation Plan

- Measurable goals & objectives
- Work plans for board & each committee
- **ü** Progress reports
- **ü** Yearly reviews
- **ü** Accountability



4. Preservation Ethic

- **ü** Financial incentives
- **ü** Design review and guidelines
- **ü** Building designations
- **Ü** Façade improvements
- **ü** Supportive land-use policies
- **ü** Public awareness initiatives
- **ü** Local design services
- **ü** Educational activities



5. Board & Committees

- **ü** Fundraising
- Unified voice to promote and advocate
- **u** Monthly meetings
- **ü** Member orientation
- **ü** Work plans
- **u** Annual reviews



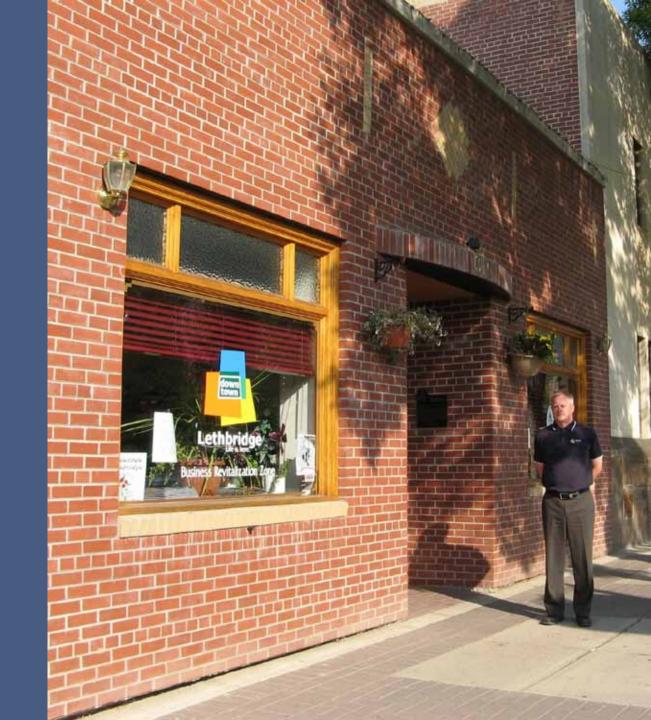
6. Adequate Budget

- **u** Revenue from varied sources
- **U** Dedicated to downtown revitalization
- **ü** Able to achieve goals
- **ü** Adequate to cover salary & benefits
- **ü** Financial accounting and reports
- Plan for long-term sustainability



7. Program Coordinator

- **u** Full-time employee or contractor
- **ü** Trained professional
- Regular monthly reports to board
- Ongoing networking and training
- **u** Fair remuneration for responsibilities



8. Ongoing Training

- Volunteer recruitment & training
- Annual volunteer recognition
- **ü** Reference & training materials
- Local, provincial, national opportunities



9. Key Statistics

- **ü** Report monthly or quarterly
- **ü** Share successes
- **ü** Create annual reports
- **U**tilize results to garner support



10. Networking

- Meet with fellow Main Street managers
- Member of Heritage Canada Foundation
- Member of the NMSC



Challenges

- **u** Lack of vision
- Staying organized
- **ü** Dominating personalities
- **ü** Sources of funding
- Municipal support
- **u** Time commitments
- **ü** Change in coordination
- **u** Lack of expertise
- **ü** Securing buy-in
- **ü** Big-box retailers
- **u** Vacancies
- Accountability

Embracing challenges bring opportunities that can propel you.



IF YOU CHANGE NOTHING, NOTHING WILL CHANGE

THANK YOU!

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