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# CITYSTUDIO

## LOGAN

### WHAT IS CITYSTUDIO LOGAN? BACKGROUND

CityStudio Logan is a innovation and collaboration program bringing together the community, students, and Council staff to address city challenges. This is done by designing and co-creating projects to make Logan more sustainable, liveable and inclusive.

CityStudio turns the City of Logan into an experimental classroom. It does this by defining city challenges and creating community solutions. Students conduct experiments, create projects and deliver research to support and advance city strategies.

These initiatives provide an opportunity for students and the community to be involved in civic innovation with Council staff. This generates interest in local matters, and develops new skills in young Logan residents. They are then ready for 'jobs of the future'! CityStudio Logan also enables purposeful engagement with local education providers.

The projects undertaken in CityStudio Logan align with priorities in Council's Corporate Plan 2017-2022: Quality Lifestyles, Conveniently Connected, Economic Transformation, Image & Identity, Green & Renewable and Next Generation Governance. Logan City Council has a licensed agreement with CityStudio Vancouver meaning it can use their framework but adapt it to suit Logan. As well as working with tertiary institutions we can work with secondary schools on City projects. There are 12 CityStudio programs across the world, including 9 in Canada, 2 in Australia and 1 in Norway. We are one of the first on board this global community of innovation!

#### PARTNERSHIPS AND TRUSTED RELATIONSHIPS

CityStudio Logan's success is dependent on strong partnerships and trusted relationships. We work with tertiary educational institutions such as Griffith University and QUT, as well as the ENABLE cluster of 14 local secondary schools and other independent schools in Logan. There are opportunities for all schools across Logan to be a part of CityStudio.

CityStudio provides collaboration opportunities and new ways for Council and the City of Logan to move forward and become more sustainable, liveable and inclusive.

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

CityStudio supports a change process within Council and the community, as well as guiding collaboration and working towards an overall cultural shift inspiring action in Logan. It does this by using the following steps:

- Work with Council staff to identify Council problems and develop project concepts aligned with the Corporate Plan.
- 2. **Match projects** with students and community representatives.
- Co-create and design projects together for the benefit of the community.
- 4. Launch projects in public to test what works.
- 5. **Share and scale projects** at HUBBUB, a showcase where students, Council staff, community and elected officials connect.

The CityStudio Projects Coordinator develops partnerships and builds relationships between Council staff, students, and the community. CityStudio Logan can impact partners, as well as the City, by shifting culture and working and innovating together.

#### Partners include:

**Students and young people** who gain hands-on experience working on city challenges and co-creating community solutions. They also develop 21st century skills such as collaboration, communication and critical thinking.

**Educators and faculty** can provide opportunities for students to become engaged, develop networks and gain practical experience. They gain access to Council staff, real world learning and professional skill development.

**Council staff** gain new, innovative ideas co-created with students. They also have the opportunity to develop a deeper connection to the local community. Staff gain access to experiments, research and prototypes that meet city strategies and goals.

**The Logan community** gains access to council staff and students as stakeholders and stewards. It provides opportunities for new projects and new forms of community engagement.

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