



The Strategic Partnership

Business, Labour and Government Working Together

Mission

“The Strategic Partnership is a unique, dynamic partnership of business, labour and government dedicated to improving the quality of life for the people of Newfoundland and Labrador through sustainable, balanced economic and social development”.

Tripartite Partnership

Labour – Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Labour

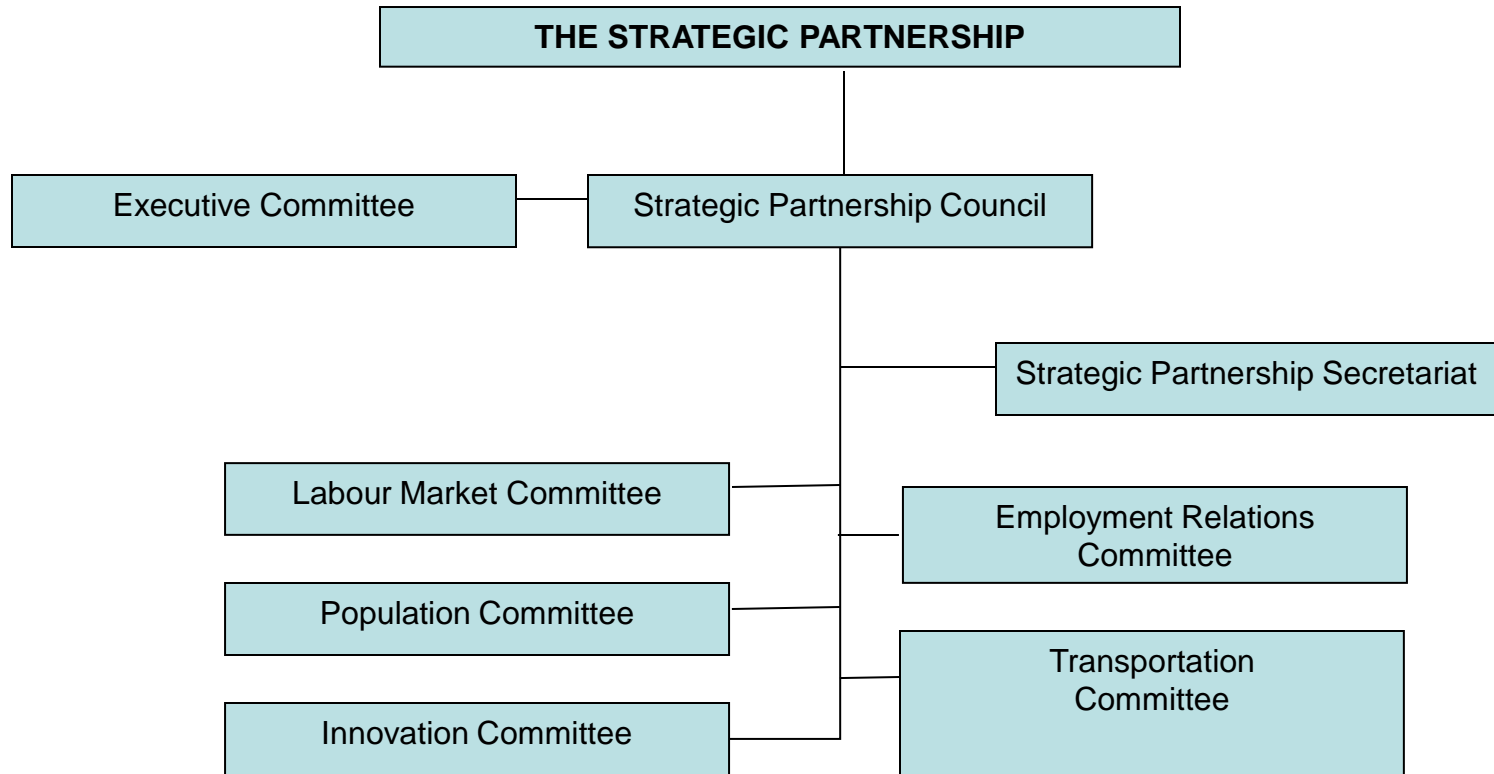
Business – Newfoundland and Labrador Business Coalition

Government – Senior Provincial Public Servants

Core Values

- *Commitment to Newfoundland and Labrador*
- *Collaboration*
- *Mutual Trust and Respect*
- *Dialogue*
- *Solutions and Action*

Current Structure



Some Current Issues

- How to manage the transition from labour supply exceeding labour demand to a looming shortage of professional and skilled labour (Labour Market Committee)
- Reviewing and updating the province's labour legislation (Employment Relations Committee)
- Carrying out a gap analysis with respect to the province's transportation needs and working towards a transportation strategy. (Transportation Committee)

Some Current Issues (2)

- Demographic challenges with respect to recent population decline and rural-urban migration, and possible role of family-friendly policies to help address these challenges (Population Committee)
- How to encourage and support innovation throughout the province, including in rural areas (Innovation Committee)
- Economic Awareness – ensuring the SP participants have accurate, up to date, economic data

University Collaboration

- **Student Research Project**

- Stimulate interest in the Strategic Partnership and social and economic issues facing the province.
- Build human resource, institutional and analytical capacity.
- Provide evidence-based research to support the priority areas of the Council and its Committees.

- **Applied Research Fund**

- Funding research that links Memorial University with the regional development needs of the province.
- Relevant topics to Newfoundland and Labrador decision makers, organizations and citizens.

The End

The Strategic Partnership is building relationships and developing cohesive policies and practices through a process that is unparalleled right now in North America.

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Discussion?