

Pillar 2024-2025 Provisional Strategic Plan

VISION: A trusted leader that empowers, connects, and inspires community - forging a just and vibrant tomorrow for all.

MISSION: We are a force for positive change in our community. We strengthen individuals and organizations through inclusive advocacy, comprehensive capacity building, and by cultivating collaboration.

PURPOSE: Pillar Nonprofit Network is dedicated to enhancing the operational capabilities of the impact sector. We promote equity through shared knowledge and community collaboration. We act as a catalyst and advocate for transformational change.

Share Knowledge and Resources	Innovate and Adapt	Analyze and Advocate	Operate with Excellence and Sustainability
GOAL	GOAL	GOAL	GOAL
We bring communities together to share ideas and collaborate, creating and spreading knowledge to drive positive change.	We help organizations learn new, effective strategies through programs that encourage innovation and resilience drawing inspiration from the best practices in the social impact sector.	We work together across sectors to collect and analyze data and advocate for systems change, with our approaches grounded in anti-racism, anti-oppression and equity principles.	We build funding and revenue streams and continually improve Human Resources policies and other procedural systems to ensure alignment with our vision, mission, and purpose.
DIRECTION	DIRECTION	DIRECTION	DIRECTION
 Tap into the rich and diverse well of collective wisdom within the sector and promote and facilitate extensive cross-sector knowledge sharing and exchange. Conduct ongoing sector analysis to ensure our programs and services are aligned with the sector's needs and aspirations. 	 Nurture a culture of innovation by modelling flexible strategies rooted in the evolving landscape of the social impact sector and the sector's best practices. Integrate Social Enterprise and Social Finance initiatives into Pillar's fundamental framework, ensuring they are an integral part of our organizational DNA. 	 Nurture relationships with all stakeholders and across all sectors, especially in finance and business, and advocate for systems change especially in finance models and governance structures. Strengthen relationships with all levels of government and amplify underrepresented voices in policy discussions. 	 Cultivate diverse pathways for long-term financial sustainability of the organization to ensure fulfilment of our mission. Maintain and demonstrate our unwavering commitment to decent work while seeking to always do better.

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- Help build organizational strength in the sector
- Facilitate knowledge transfer and mobilization
- Define the Network's needs and create relevant programs and services
- Strengthen connections between organizations

INITIATIVES

- Support economic and social recovery through programs that support investment in social impact organizations and projects
- Clarify Pillar's role in the Social Innovation ecosystem
- Create strategic partnerships with Social Finance and Social Enterprise support organizations

INITIATIVES

- Be a respected voice to define and advance the goals of the sector
- Amplify other voices, especially those who are from equity deserving and equity denied communities
- Mobilize systems transformation within the impact sector
- Strengthen relationships working across sectors with government, business, nonprofit and other networks

INITIATIVES

- Strengthen governance and leadership structures
- Implement a sustainable financial model for Pillar core programs and services
- Strengthen the Pillar brand
- Support staff wellbeing at Pillar
- Seek continuous progress and improvement

TACTICS

- Provide supportive programs and information, including Board Governance training, Strategic Planning, Youth Engagement Network Support, Social Enterprise Programming, and Social Finance information
- Develop Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA), Anti Racism/Anti oppression, Accessibility, Policy and Governance learning tools
- Convene the Network to identify gaps and provide opportunities to share and mobilize knowledge and resources
- Intentionally build and maintain mutually respectful relationships through regular engagement and meaningful knowledge sharing

TACTICS

- Share the successes and celebrate the resilience of the impact sector through impact storytelling outlets including e-newsletters, blogs, videos and social media platforms
- Offer programs that support investment in social impact organizations and projects
- Educate traditional regional investors on the reasoning and rationale behind social impact investments
- Clarify Pillar's areas of expertise and what services it offers

TACTICS

- Convene the sector to focus collective Public Policy & Advocacy efforts
- Share the sector's collective wisdom with, and provide recommendations to all levels of government
- Create opportunities to collaborate, share knowledge, and lean on each other to support advocacy efforts
- Participate on community action and planning committees.
- Attend, support and have ongoing conversations with equity deserving communities at their events and initiatives.
- Amplify the voices of individuals and organizations from equity deserving and equity denied communities

TACTICS

- Continue to review and update Pillar's governance structures and policies
- Implement annual business planning and budgeting that aligns with the strategic plan, vision, mission and purpose
- Identify, challenge and eliminate inequities embedded in policies and practices
- Build a comprehensive fundraising program to pursue additional revenue streams, including grants, individual giving, and corporate sponsorship.
- Continue to re-imagine Innovation Works under a self-sustaining business model
- Implement quarterly review to assess progress of provisional plan
- Develop and regularly review Standard Operating Procedures for individual programs to ensure program strength and efficiencies, succession planning, and program relevance