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BC PNP Entrepreneur Immigration – Regional Stream

Start a business in regional BC and obtain Canadian permanent residency.

INVESTMENT FROM

CAD 100,000

TIMELINE

18 months

At a glance

COUNTRY Canada	ROUTE Residency by Investment
MINIMUM INVESTMENT CAD 100,000	TIMELINE 18 months
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Overview

The **BC PNP Entrepreneur Immigration – Regional stream** allows experienced entrepreneurs to **start a new business in a smaller BC community** and work toward **Canadian Permanent Residency (PR)**. This program promotes **regional economic growth, job creation**, and offers **lower investment requirements** with strong local support.

Investment highlights

- **Investment:** Minimum **CAD \$100,000**
- **Net worth:** Minimum **CAD \$300,000 (verified)**
- **Job creation:** At least **1 full-time local job**

Why XIPHIAS Immigration

XIPHIAS Immigration guides you through the **BC PNP Regional stream process** — from **selecting communities and securing referrals** to **business planning and PR application**, ensuring a **smooth path to Canadian residency**.

Requirements

- 3+ years in business ownership or management.
- CAD \$300K net worth and \$100K business investment.
- Create one full-time local job.
- Community referral and exploratory visit required.
- CLB 4 English/French and BC residency commitment.

When this route may not fit

- No exploratory visit to the selected community.

- Language score below CLB 4.
- Failure to secure a community referral.
- Ineligible or non-qualifying business proposal.

Costs and government fees

Programme costs

Item	Amount	Notes
Minimum business investment	CAD 100,000	Before application. Invest min CAD \$100,000 in a BC community business.
Net worth requirement	CAD 300,000	Pre-qualification. Maintain verified net worth of CAD \$300,000.

Funds to show

Requirement	Amount	Notes
Verified net worth	CAD 300,000	Net worth verified by a third party, plus funds for business setup and family settlement.

How the process works

- 1 Choose a BC Community**
Select a participating community under the BC PNP Regional stream.
- 2 Visit & Get Referral**
Make an exploratory visit and secure a community referral letter.
- 3 Submit Application**
Register online with your business plan and referral details.
- 4 Start Business in BC**
Obtain a work permit, invest, and create at least one full-time job.
- 5 Get Nomination & Apply PR**
Receive nomination after meeting targets and apply for Canadian PR.

Questions clients ask

Is a community referral required?

Yes, it's mandatory for the BC PNP Regional stream.

What's the minimum investment?

CAD \$100,000 in a new eligible BC business.

Do I need to visit the community?

Yes, an exploratory visit is required before applying.

Can I buy an existing business?

No, only new business ventures qualify.

Is any deposit required?

No, there's no refundable deposit in this program.

Important notes

- The Regional stream is a permanent part of the BC PNP. British Columbia removed the word "pilot" from the programme guide effective 27 May 2024.
- The minimum investment is CAD \$100,000 and the minimum net worth is CAD \$300,000.

Official sources: Government of British Columbia — BC PNP Entrepreneur Immigration; Government of British Columbia — BC PNP Entrepreneur Immigration programme guide.



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