

GEORGETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY INC.

Date established	Founded in 1889
Date and type of registration	ORO. of INC CAP 200 (No 3 of 1890)
Primary contact person	Mr. Edward Boyer – President GCC&I
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Number of active members	75 – 97.
Number of paid staff	4 Full Time
Number of regular volunteers	Nil
Estimated annual	-----
Main sources of funding	Membership Subscription
Geographic scope of activity	Georgetown

Mission or primary goal of your organization:

See list of objectives at end of this document.

Main subject areas of activity or programmes

- x Education/training
- x Professional {Advice to Members}
- x Counselling {Business}
- x Advocacy {Business}
- x Poverty reduction {PRS}

Major projects in last two years, including current projects

Project #1 Name/Goal	<u>Training Programs.</u>
Start date	Ongoing
<u>Main activities</u>	
➤ Customs & GRA.	
➤ Trade (ACP/EU, WTO, Cotonou, Caricom)	
➤ Fire	
Main source(s) of funding	Contributions from Members.
Results of Project	

Project #2 Name/Goal **International Trade**

Main activities

- International Consultants
- Caricom
- Border Trade
- Information Distribution
- Trade Agreements.

Main source(s) of funding Members Contributions.

Results of Project

Project #3 Name/Goal **Dinner & Award Presentation.**

Main activities

- Dinner
- Presentation {Feature Address}
- Awards – Contribution to Guyana.

Main source(s) of funding Chamber

Results of Project

Major projects planned for at least next two years

Project #1 Name/Goal **Institutional Strengthening.**

Main activities

- Better Business Bureau
- Banking & Financing
- Donor Funding.
- More Staff
- More Equipment
- Implements projects to generate revenues.
- Create ways in raising revenues for the GCCI.
- Improve Service provided to Members.

Main source(s) of funding Membership

Results of Project

Project #2 Name/Goal **Constitution**

Main activities

- Re-modify the Chamber's Constitution to current terms and language.

Main source(s) of funding Membership

Results of Project

Project #3 Name/Goal **Improving the GCCI Operations.**

Main activities

- More Members
- Promote Trade & Investment
- Creation of Sub-Committees

- Small Business Development
- Training
- Expansion of Services
- Promotion of Clean Technology.
- Better relationships with the Donor Community.
- GCCI Annual Presentation & Dinner
- GCCI AGM.

Main source(s) of funding Membership

Results of Project

Networking

What other NGOs would you like to share information with or collaborate with in your activities?

1. All Donor Community
2. All Regional Bodies especially Private Sector.
3. Private Sector Bodies & Agencies.
4. Embassies
5. Trade Missions

Objectives of Organization

- (a) To foster the economic and social development of the state of Guyana by promoting and practice the trade, commerce and industry and other objectives incidental thereto;
- (b) To promote and protect the commercial interest of the state, its local, regional and foreign trade and its manufacturers and industries;
- (c) To collect and disseminate all specific and other information relating to commerce, trade, manufacturers and industry;
- (d) To promote and encourage the development in Guyana of primary industry and other manufacturers and processing operations capable of making contribution to the economic development and welfare of the state;
- (e) To encourage and assist manufacturers in Guyana in the use of efficient and modern methods of manufacture and the maintenance of proper standards of safety, labour relations, employees welfare, public relations and advertising;
- (f) To promote and encourage adherence by manufacturers in Guyana to proper standards and grade of quality in all manufactured products;
- (g) To promote and encourage the use by customers through advertising media, trade fairs and howsoever otherwise of products manufactured in Guyana.
- (h) To assist in securing market for raw materials and finished products;
- (i) To make such representation to government (central and local) and to promote support or lawfully oppose such legislative or other measures as may be thought fit;
- (j) To purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any real or personal estate which may be deemed necessary or convenient for the purpose of the chamber;

- (k) To construct, maintain and alter any houses, building and work necessary or convenient for the purpose of the chamber;
- (l) To take any gift of property, whether subject to any special trust or not, for anyone or more of the objectives of the chamber;
- (m) Take such steps by personal or whether appeal, public meetings or otherwise as may from time to time be deemed for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the chamber in the form of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise;
- (n) To print and publish any newspaper, periodicals, books or leaflets that the chamber may think desirable for the promotion of its objectives;
- (o) To sell, manage, lease, mortgage, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the chamber;
- (p) To borrow and raise money in such manner as the chamber may think fit;
- (q) To invest the monies of the chamber not immediately required for its purposes in or upon such investments as securities and property as may be thought fit;
- (r) To undertake and execute any trust or agency, business which may seem directly or indirectly conducive to any objectives of the chamber;
- (s) To subscribe to any local or other charities and to grant donations for any public purpose and to provide fund for the servants of the chamber, or other to assist any such servants, their widows and children;
- (t) To establish and support and aid other associations formed for all or any of the objectives of the chamber;
- (u) To affiliate with any companies, institutions, societies or associations having objectives altogether or in part similar to those of the chamber;
- (v) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities or arrangements of any one or more of the companies, institutions, societies or associations with which the chamber is associated with;
- (w) To transfer all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of this chamber to any one or more of the companies, institutions, societies or associations with which this chamber is authorised to do business with;
- (x) To pay all expenses preliminary or individual to the formation of the chamber and its organisation;
- (y) To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives or any of them;
- (z) To influence, develop and improve the code, standards and ethic in trade commerce, industry and like interest with a view to establishing a dynamic and respected economic society in Guyana.