Intro to Digital

For Municipal Leaders

Module A: Inspire to Aspire

Welcome and Introduction

Logistics

- Lots to pack in – we are going to go fast

- 3-hour session – presentation, a few brainstorms and group discussions throughout (jot down questions and we can come back to them)

- 2 x 10-minute breaks. 1 every hour 😀

- Slides shared in the chat – grab your own copy if you want to notate

- We are recording the session for those that can't make it

About Perry Group

Focused only on municipalities

20+ consultants, operating since 2017

Expertise in IT, GIS and **Digital** strategic plans

- Vaughan, Burlington, Oakville, York Region, Brampton, Halton, and Thunder Bay

Our consultants have worked in and with a lot of municipalities

- Oakville, Region of Waterloo, York Region, Edmonton, London, Waterloo, Oshawa, Kitchener, Guelph, Vaughan, Regina, Burlington, Barrie, Kingston, Richmond Hill, Sudbury, Grey County, Peterborough, Sarnia, Pickering

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Why did we put this course together?

- We believe in technology's power to **build better municipalities** - deliver better service and better value for money

- We believe we can't effectively drive digital change or transformation from the bottom or the middle of organizations
- We need leaders to be on board
- We need leaders to feel comfortable with technology, to believe in and be positioned to lead and drive digital change in your team, division, department, or across the organization

Digital For Municipal Leaders

- **Module A: Inspire to Aspire**
  - Introduction to Digital – What is digital and what does it mean for you as leaders?
  - What is a service?
  - What makes a service "good" and "bad"?
  - What are the leaders in municipal digital doing that we can learn from?
  - What does it mean to be "digitally transformed"?
  - The digital mission for municipalities.

- **Module B: Set Your Digital Vision**
  - How to figure out what needs to be done
  - How to identify and select opportunities for digital transformation.
  - How to form a vision
  - How to build buy in and urgency.
  - Approaches to funding digital delivery.

- **Module C: Design and Deliver**
  - How to build the right team.
  - How to employ design thinking to design complete services.
  - How to use important tools and techniques
  - How to use the "Discovery – Alpha – Beta – Launch" approach to focus on service and process first.
  - How to promote digital service adoption / uptake.
  - How to listen and learn from users.

- **Module D: Operate and Iterate**
  - How to adopt a product mindset to continuous improvement of services.
  - How to measure and track outcomes.
  - How to promote uptake of digital services.
  - Open discussion, next steps and making your personal commitment.

Today's Goals

- We want to provide some context in support of the Digital Strategy

- We want to inspire you, to think differently about your services

- Help you think about how digital is changing how people interact with service providers

- Learn about the importance of designing services for customers

- Equip you with some of the concepts and ideas that will make you better *leaders* of services, digital transformation and position you to demand more from your teams, partners, and providers

Topic Outline

1. **Setting the Context**
    A. Our Digital Age
    B. What is Digital Transformation
    C. Impact of Digital on Government Services
    D. Some Municipal Digital Examples
    E. Why Go Digital?
    F. COVID – A Digital Accelerator

2. **Digital: It's all about the Customer**
    A. Defining Services
    B. Characteristics of Good Services
    C. Designing Good Digital Services
    D. Assessing Our Services
    E. Service Design
    F. Applicability to Internal Services

3. **Start and Lead Change**
    A. Service Ownership / Responsibilities
    B. Build a Plan for Digital

Corporate Digital Strategy

A Collaborative Approach to Delivering Customer-Centred, Digitally-Powered City Services

Final Report
October 25, 2021

Introductions

- In 30 seconds or less, tell us:

  - Who you are

  - What you do at the City

  - How long you've been with the City

Poor Service

- What is an example of poor service that you've had recently?

- What made the service poor?

- How did it make you feel? What did it make you feel about the service provider?

1.A - Our Digital Age

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94%
Canadians
are online
2018

76% Canadians
own a smartphone
2018

85% of Canadians
made purchases
online in last year
2019

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70+%
Seniors are online
2018

80% Ontarians booked online
2020

88% of Canadians bank online
2019

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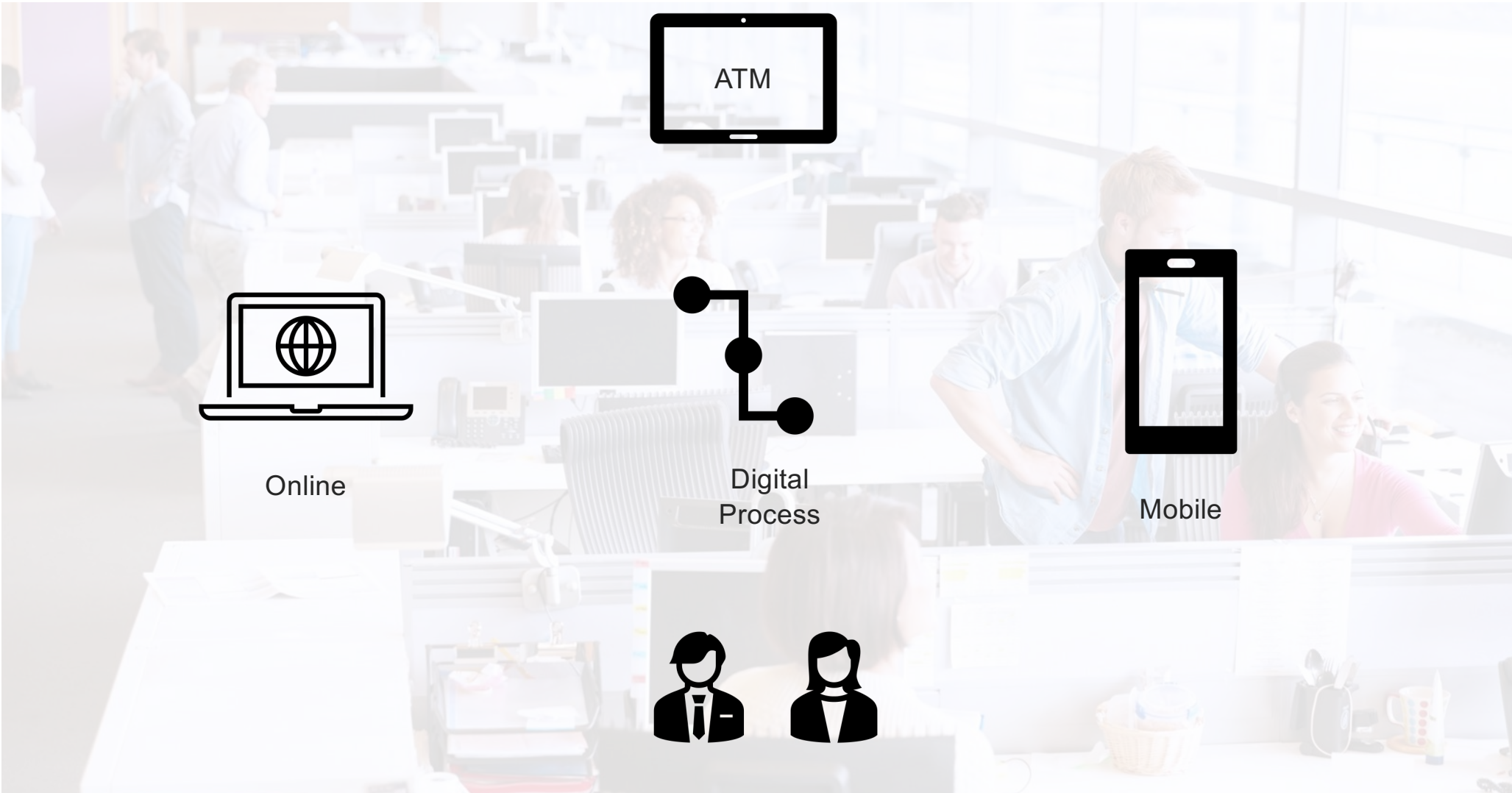
Online

Digital
Process

Mobile

Digitization of core processes underpins digital service delivery

1B – Digital Transformation

rethinking and redefining products and services to take advantage of the internet and smartphone era

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✔ Delivered On
**Tuesday, May 25 at 6:41 P.M.
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✔ Label Created

✔ Shipped

✔ **Delivered**

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Analytics

Online

Digital
Process

Mobile

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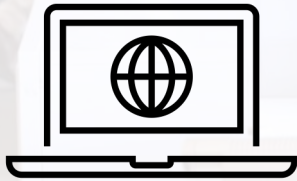
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Digitization underpins service delivery

Self Service is central to digital service

Service Industries

Disrupted or Transformed by Technology

- Finance – Banking, Online Trading
- Media – Craigslist, Twitter, Facebook, thestar.com, globeandmail.com
- Entertainment - Netflix, YouTube, Disney+, Prime, DZN, CBC, PSN, Xbox Live
- Travel – Airbnb, Expedia, aircanada.com
- Retail – Amazon, Indigo, Grocery Gateway, Voila, LCBO, Craft beer delivery
- Transportation – Uber, Lyft, Via Travel, Next Bus, Presto
- Insurance – Compare & buy insurance online, Report a Claim
- Exercise – Online classes, Peleton, Apple Fitness+, Fitbit, Apple Watch
- Education – Online School, Remote Tutoring
- Health – Telehealth, Medical Records, Testing Results, Online Therapies, Zoom consults, remote surgery

1C – Impact to Governments

Digital in Government

*"There is no difference between digital service delivery and service delivery. **<u>Today, everything is digital.</u>** If governments do not recognize this evolution, then any service strategy is flawed at the concept stage"*

Alex Benay, Canadian Federal Government CIO

2017 - 2019

Ontario Digital Service

Making government work better for people in the digital age

Ontario Digital Service

Digital Government Movement

Service Ontario

- Licence plate renewals available online
- Notified by mail
- Go to website to confirm details they already have on file
- Pay online
- Takes less than 10 minutes
- Plate sticker comes in mail within 5 days
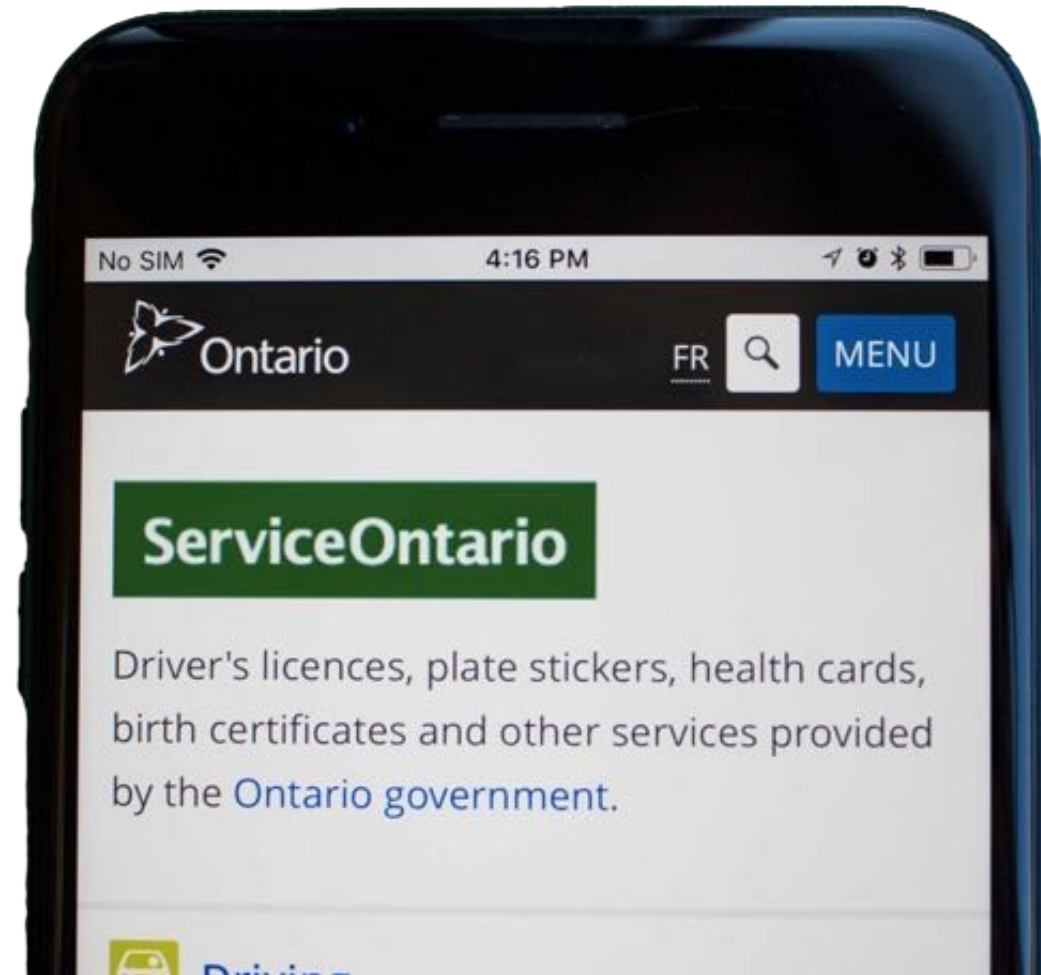
Analytics

Online

Digital
Process

Mail

Digital Government Services

No longer niche, hard to find. Now broad, societal, hyper-scale

- Tax filing
- Pay taxes
- Apply for a Passport
- Apply for and renew a Driver's license or vehicle sticker
- Apply for and renew a Healthcard
- Apply for and renew a Hunting and Fishing license
- Apply for CERB
- Apply for Veteran's disability
- Apply for CPP
- Register a Birth
- Register as an Organ donor
- Book a vaccination
- COVID Exposure Notifications App

Being Digital is being of the Internet and Smartphone era

So, any Digital Strategy asks:

Are **<u>your</u>** services
designed and built for this era?
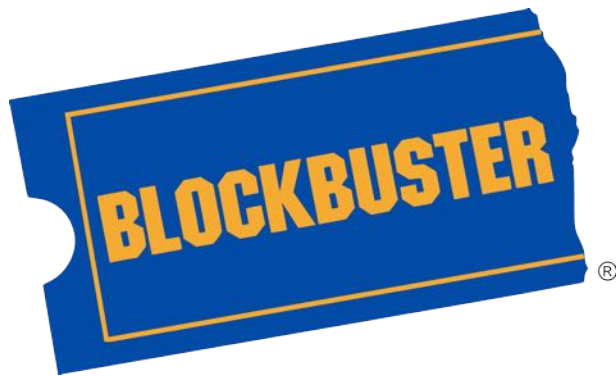
 government for customers

"If a business doesn't do digital right they are out of business. If a government doesn't do digital right, they are out of touch…..we try to run a Blockbuster operation for a Netflix audience" – *Scott Brison, Former Minister of Digital Government*

You are not digital if:

- You rely on many spreadsheets to operate your service
- The 'master source' of information is in a paper folder, and there is no master source of digital data
- You 'need' many copies of paper submissions
- Members of your team spend considerable time typing the same information into different places
- The people that do the work, aren't the same people that record the work in your systems
- You record work in batches (at the end of the day, week, month, quarter)
- Your forms are available as fillable PDF forms, but must be submitted personally or via email, and information is retyped in your systems by staff
- You require a visit to your counter to use or pay for your service, for customers to pickup a permit or license
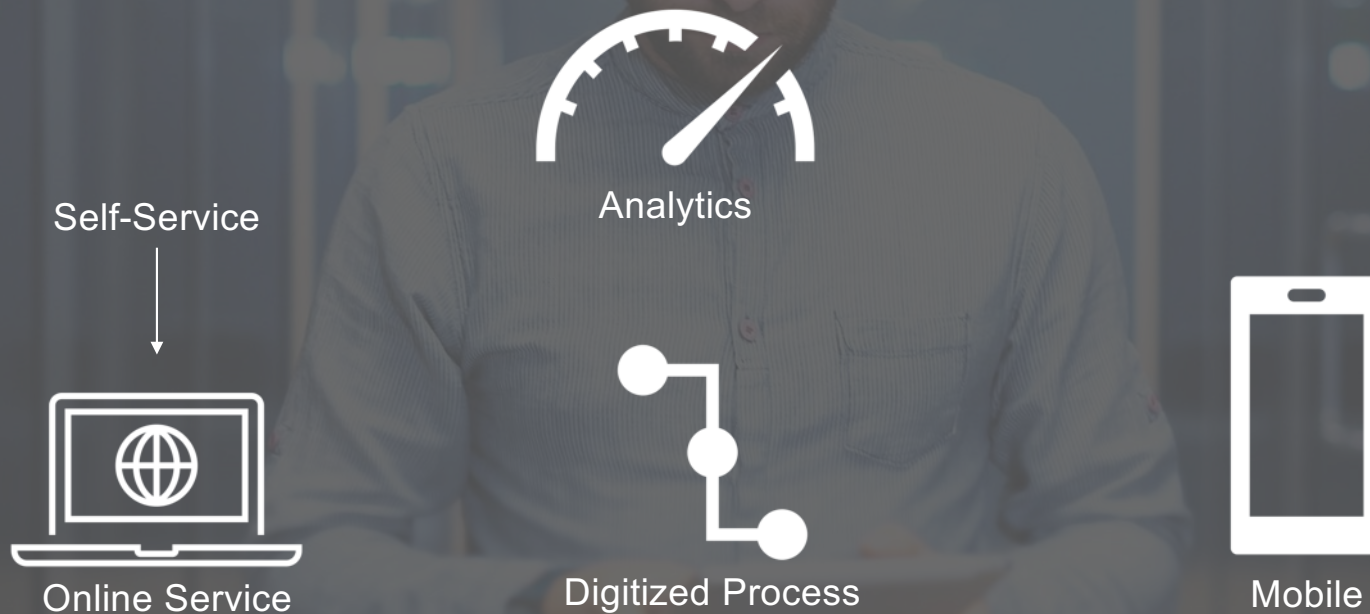
~~**Digitization**~~ **underpins service delivery**
Forms
Paper
Post-facto tracking
Telephone calls

Digitization underpins service delivery

~~Forms~~

~~Paper~~

~~Post-facto tracking~~

~~Telephone calls~~

Digital

"Applying the culture, processes, business models & technologies of the internet era to respond to people's raised expectations."

Tom Loosemore, GDS, UK

"Digital transformation is not just about technology and it's implementation, it's about looking at the business strategy through the lens of technical capabilities and how that changes how you are operating …"

Driving Digital – Isaac Sacolick

Mobilization

Massive Culture Change

Takeaways

- Demand for digital services is there from customers

- We should strive for government for the digital age

- Digitization of processes is the foundation for digital

- If you are reliant on paper, visits to the office, and your staff spend time entering information into multiple places - you are not digital

- Digital is more than tech – it requires culture change and leadership

Discussion

1D – Municipal Digital Examples

Presented as food for thought, to illustrate the art of the possible.

Each community has their own priorities and resources that they can put to those priorities.

Canadian Municipal Digital Leaders

80% uptake of digital services is becoming the norm. Consistent across good quality, well promoted municipal digital services.

https://www.halton.ca/For-Residents/New-Coronavirus/COVID-19-Vaccines/COVID-19-Vaccination-Clinics#book
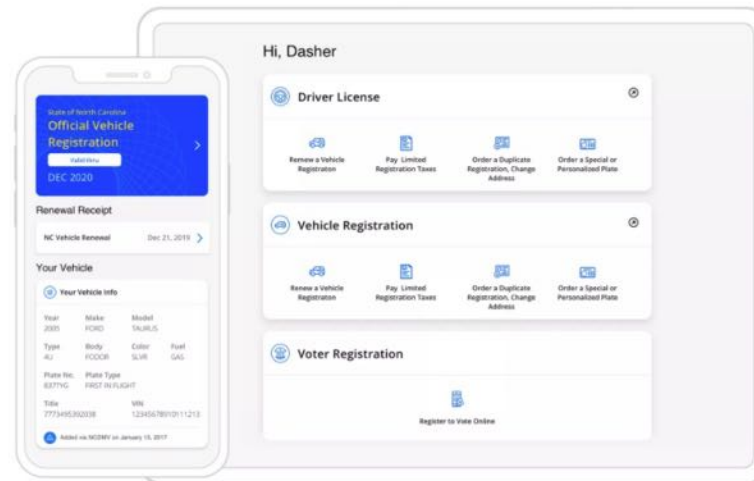
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Book your appointment

📅 Book your appointment now

- COVID-19 vaccination requires two doses. Both of your appointments will be booked when completing the registration form.
- The booking system is for booking first doses only. If you have already received your first dose, please book your second dose at the same location you received your first dose.
- You will have the option to print your appointment information or receive a confirmation email. If you do not have an email account or printer, please have a pen and paper available to write down the date, time and location of your vaccination appointments.
- Your appointment will not be confirmed until you complete the form by clicking "Book Now".

If you require support and are 75 years of age or older (born on or before 1946), Indigenous adults (including First Nations, Metis and Inuit populations) living in Halton aged 55 years of age or older (born in or before 1966), including one immediate household family member, staff and essential caregivers from long-term care and retirement homes in Halton who have not yet received a first dose, eligible health care workers who live and work in Halton and adults receiving chronic home care (through a Local Health Integration Network or Home Care Agency), you may also book your appointment by calling 311 or 1-866-442-5866 (toll free). Please only call 311 if you require assistance, to ensure those that need support have access.

Booking system technical requirements
It is recommended that you use the latest version of one of the following browsers to successfully complete the registration form:

- Google Chrome
- Apple Safari
- Mozilla Firefox
- Microsoft Edge (windows 10 only)

How to prepare for your appointment

STEP 1: Screen for symptoms of COVID-19	⌄
STEP 2: Get ready for your appointment	⌄
STEP 3: At your appointment	⌄
STEP 4: After your vaccination	⌄

Need help?

Update from Halton Region's Medic...

COVID-19 Vaccine Program
Halton Region's Medical Officer of Health
March 5, 2021

TOP

Highlights

- The City of Edmonton uses nearly a decade of data to deploy AI model to increase inspection efficiency and effectiveness
- Since October 2019, the predictive model has reduced the number of eligible inspections by 37%
- Inspections deemed low risk are passed automatically, eliminating unnecessary delays in builder timelines
- City inspectors are able to focus on higher risk and more complicated inspections, which pose greater threat to safety

Summary

Using data collected from over 600,000 safety inspections completed over the course of a decade, the City of Edmonton has trained an AI model to predict whether single-family home builders will pass low-risk inspections.

And they've put this data to work by enabling the City to automatically pass inspections for builders with a good track record and for those inspections posing limited risk to public (homeowner) safety. This model has reduced builder delays and allowed the City to focus resources on higher risk inspections.

In fact, the use of this AI model and the new inspection process in Edmonton has **resulted in a 37% decrease in eligible inspections** – a staggering efficiency pickup – and an economic boost from faster development with fewer roadblocks.

A heat map depicts risk of residential fires in London, Ont. Red areas indicate high-risk areas, while numbers represent the demographic profiles in a specific area.

London
Homelessness Tool

Since 2020, London has been using an AI tool to predict whether people will become chronically homeless, using data like age, gender, family and shelter history

The Chronic Homelessness Artificial Intelligence model (CHAI) predicts whether people are likely to seek shelter services or find themselves living rough on a long-term basis in the next six months.

Homeless Prevention and Housing

The Homeless Prevention and Housing team work hard to help address the homeless crisis facing London and find safe and affordable housing options.

London
CANADA

Windsor
Transportation modelling

The City of Windsor moved from 3 traffic studies a year, to 3 a month by using big data services – aggregated transportation data from vehicle vendors, mobile devices, etc.
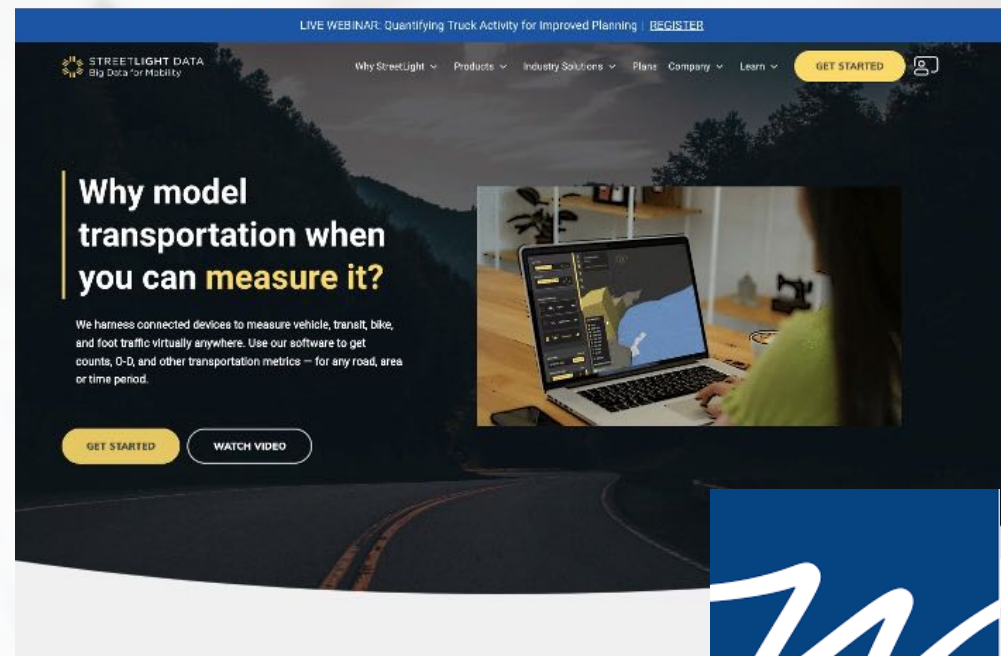
Durham Region
Rover AI Pothole Detection

A smartphone with the ROVER app is mounted to the windshield of the road patrol vehicle to automatically detect and capture images of potholes. The images are analyzed and processes by the ROVER app for logging and passed to the work management system for action.

Durham Region recently received the 2022 Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) Technology Achievement Award for its AI Road Maintenance Innovation project.

Chicago, NYC
Prioritizing Inspections

Faced with higher needs than resources can cope with Chicago and New York both use risk scores – algorithms pulling in data from various sources to prioritize restaurant and fire safety inspections.

Cybersecurity and the Benefits of Artificial Intelligence
W Washington, D.C. | April 11, 2018

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Predictive analytics helps Chicago prioritize restaurant inspections

By Derek Major   Aug 10, 2015

Chicago is using predictive analytics to better ensure food safety for city residents and visitors.

The new system, built by the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Department of Innovation and Technology, leverages public data to identify restaurants most likely to face health code challenges, so health inspectors...

One Model for Citywide Use
Example building with risk score
99%

Structural

Building Class = Elevator Apartment Building with Semi-Fire Proof Store

Built: 1915

Partial Sprinkler

6 floors

Previous Fires or Injury

Geography: Central Brooklyn

Street Frontage = 90ft

Proximity = Attached   Retail Sq. Ft = 6300 sf

2 buildings on tax lot, Privately owned

Mississauga
Development Process Improvements

Over 5 years applying lean, process design, continuous improvement and digitization across 100 service design and technology initiatives in Development Services has:

Freed over 11,000 hours of staff capacity

Led to a 24% reduction in staff time to review site plan applications

Reduced turnaround time by 57% over 5 years

Seen a massive reduction in customer travel, paper consumption

Provided new data / insights

Saved $1M

Calgary
Customer Centered Service Design – Unified application process

Calgary's Fair Entry program integrates multiple subsidy programs into one application process, simplifying the experience for customers

One data entry

One verification process

Eligibility checks across multiple programs
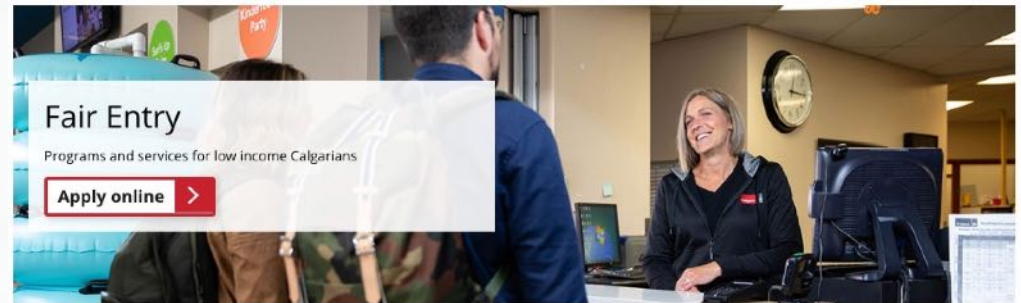
Our Fair Entry program lets you apply for multiple programs and services with one application. Your eligibility is based on your income.

What subsidy programs are included?

Expand all

+ Calgary Transit-Low Income Youth and Adult Monthly Pass

+ Calgary Transit Low-Income Seniors Yearly Pass

+ Recreation Fee Assistance

+ No Cost Spay/Neuter Program

+ Seniors Services Home Maintenance

+ Property Tax Assistance Program

Brooklyn
Adopt an Asset – Connect with the Community

Using ArcGIS, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota implemented an online mapping tool that allowed users to adopt and name hydrants in exchange for winter maintenance.

The City of Brooklyn Park's Operations and Maintenance Department is tasked with clearing snow from the hydrants, but engaging locals helps to improve response time, which can save lives.
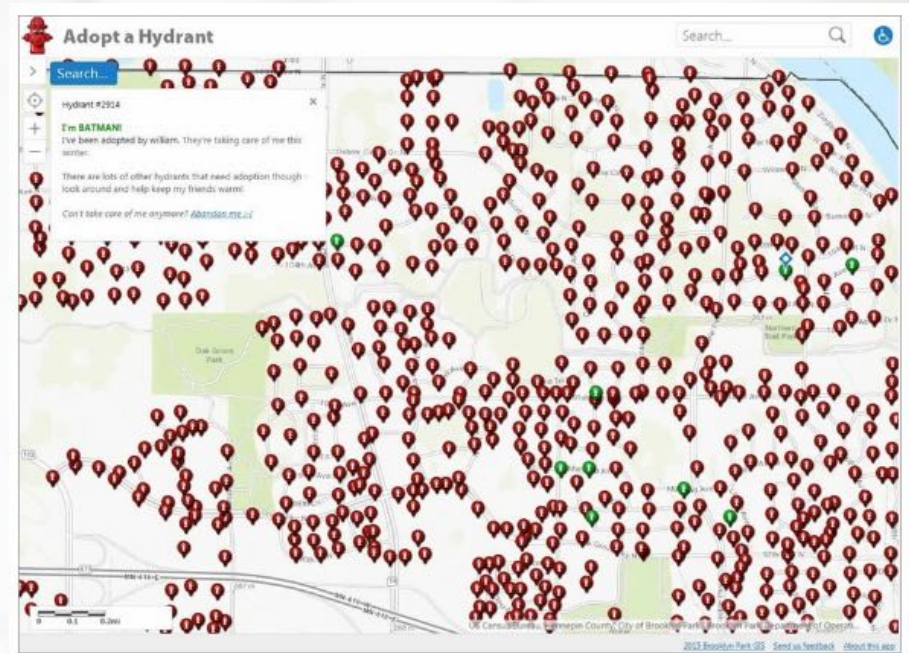
The red icons on the map represent the fire hydrants available to adopt in the city of Brooklyn Park. The city has about 3,500 hydrants.

Takeaways

- Municipal peers are pushing new services online
    - Service requests
    - Apply (forms, permits, licenses)
    - Pay
    - Book
    - Transparency – open data, data sharing, performance

- One Customer concept
    - Single portal

- Uptake of digital services trends around 80%

- Using data to inform operations

Discussion

1E – Why Go Digital?

Achieve a modern customer service standard

Match customer expectations

Offer convenience

24 x 7 service

Reduced travel and paper use

Other Common Drivers for Digital

- Increase back and field office efficiency and productivity
- Reduce manual processing – free staff for higher value-add work
- Reduce staff frustration & improve recruitment and retention (by providing a flexible, modern workplace)
- Brand building / reinforcement (service quality / intelligent / digital community)
- Economic Development opportunities

Research into Estimated Transaction Costs (In CAD) by Channel

Channel	UK	Norway	Canada
Web	$0.14 - $0.27	$0.46	$0.91
Phone	$5.02 - $6.01	$6.23	$5.50
Face to Face	$15.28 - $18.66	$12.46	$12.00 - $30.32
Post	$21.45		

Have your customers do the data entry

Understand whether your service is for them...

Apply...

Eligible?...

Suitable?...

Make a call

Machines **Humans**
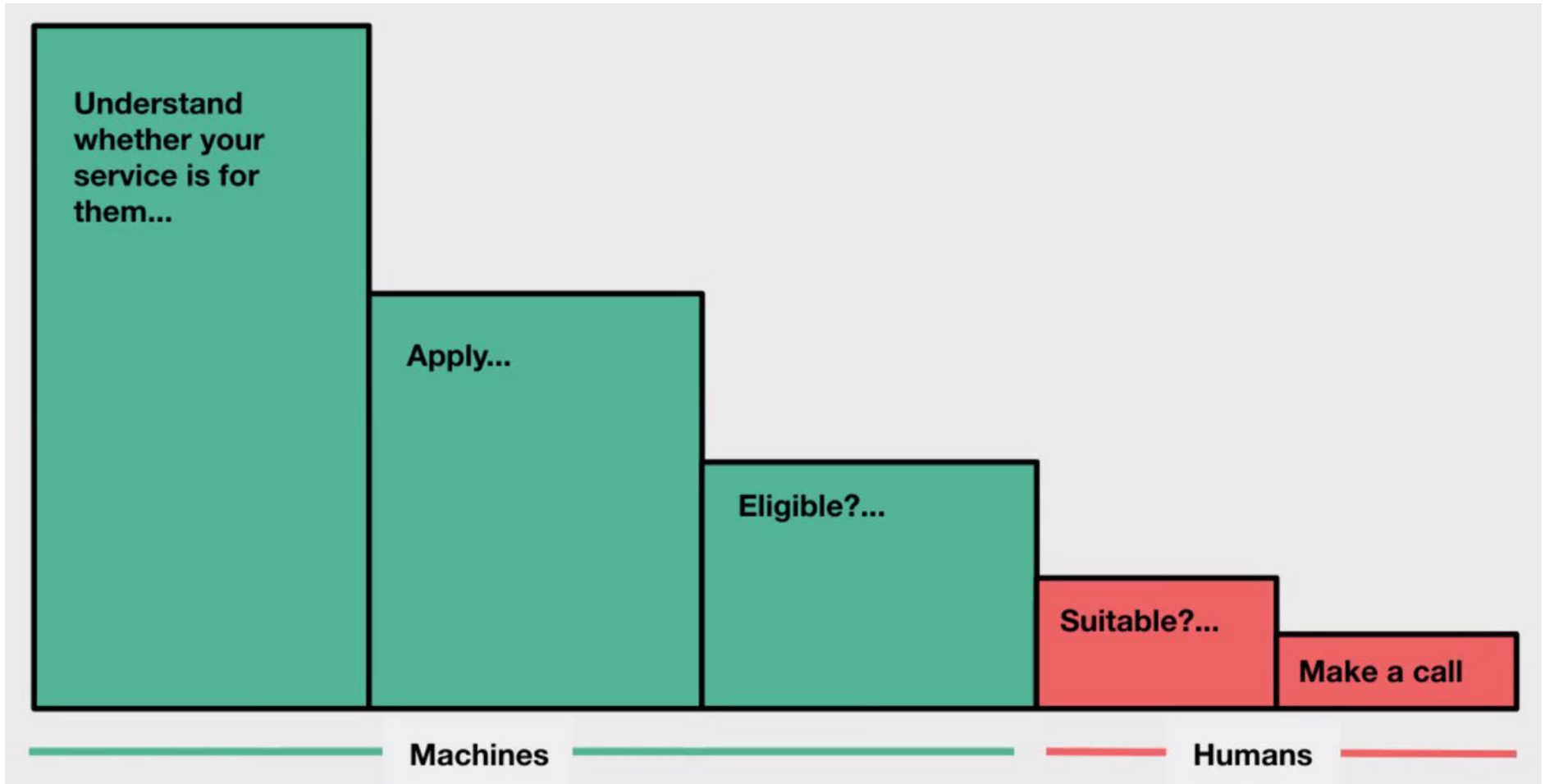
Offer Channel Choice

Click, call or come in

- Important to acknowledge some people don't have capability, access, or desire to use digital service

- Digital services can be mediated by friends, family members, carers

- 80% uptake ~ 20% served via other channels: **Assisted Digital**

Other Common Arguments Against

Argument	Counter Argument
Our customers don't want it	Yes, they do. Well-designed digital services that are promoted see high uptake. 80% of people are using online portals to book COVID vaccinations.
It's too expensive to implement. Our council will never go for it.	Can we afford not to? Build a business case. Look at the Return on Investment. Articulate the business value to Council. Build incrementally
Staff don't want it / won't adapt to it	To digitally transform / meet customer expectations they must. Is it optional for UPS drivers to use devices to track package delivery? It cannot not optional here either. Change Management – involve in the change.
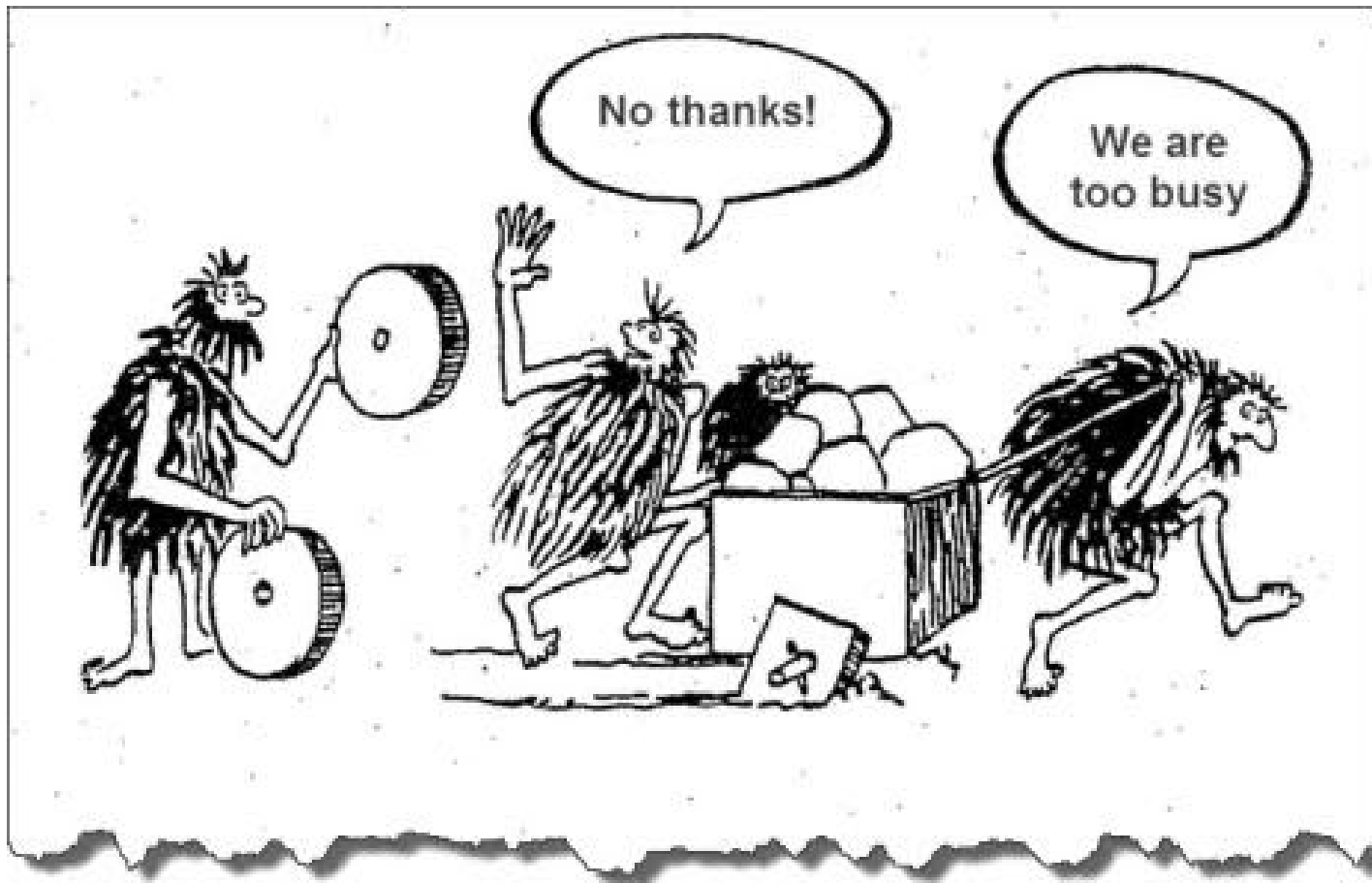
Takeaways

- More cost effective to deliver service online

- Free up staff from data entry / paper shuffling

- Not taking away channels as options – Assisted Digital

- Important to counter the arguments against, be firm, committed and reinforce adoption

1F – COVID – A Digital Accelerant

COVID Lessons

- Singularity of purpose – marshal resources around a mission

- Learned about digital possibilities – remote work, video conferencing, digital approvals, digital payments

- Ability to change is in us all

- Rapid and institutional level change is possible

- Iterative approach works. 10% better is better. First cut may be imperfect – but iterative improvement is possible with a product centric mindset
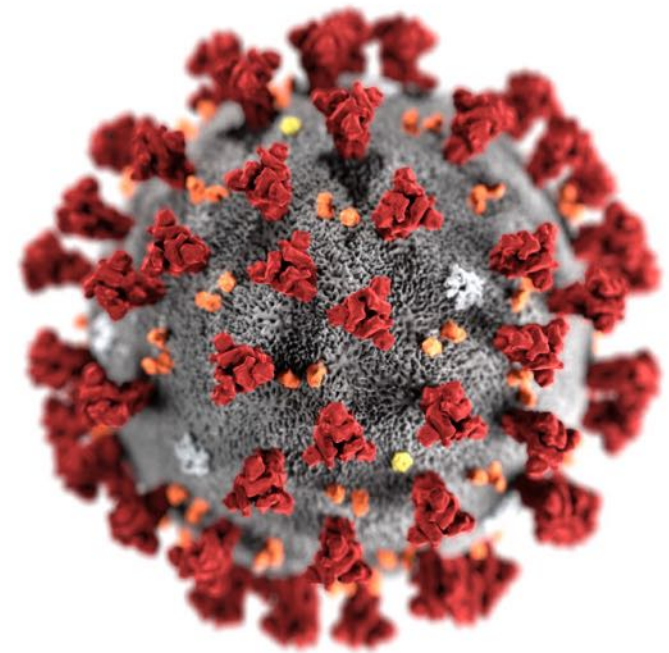
Discussion

2A – Services & Service Design

Digital Government Movement

SERVICE   EXPERIENCE   SERVICE DESIGN

Service

- In municipalities the term **Service** is used interchangeably to describe various things

  - Functions
  - Programs
  - Bundles of services
  - Teams

What is a Service?

- But in the service design realm a Service is what a customer wants to get done
  - report a problem
  - check my zoning
  - get a tax certificate
  - get or renew a business license
  - make an appointment
  - schedule a waste pickup
  - pay a parking ticket
  - get information

Good/Great Service

- What is a great digital service that you have used recently?

- What were 3 characteristics that made the service good?

Good Services are Designed

- Good for the user
  - It does what they need it to do, in a way that works for them

- Good for the organization providing it
  - It's simple and easy to run/operate

- Good for society as whole
  - No unintended consequences

Good Services are Complete Services

- Complete services involve online and offline elements that combine to provide the whole experience

- On and offline aspects are a key part of the **Experience**

- We need to think about and design complete services and complete experiences
    - Integrated whole not separate, disjointed components

End to End Digital Experience

- Booking and Taking a Trip to Toronto
  - You search, find, select, and pay for the ticket completely online.
  - You get a notification confirming purchase with a link to make changes, or someone to call if there is a problem.
  - You receive the ticket via email.
  - You check in online at the right time.
  - You store your boarding pass in your digital wallet.
  - You show your phone at the gate to board the plane.

- *This* is an end-to-end digital service.
  - We can start and finish the service online.

Amazon Experience

- App/Website – consistent, reliable, fast
- Search / Recommendations – other people bought, ratings
- 1-Click Purchase – remembers name, address, credit card
- Deliveries – notifications, photo of the delivery
- Easy Returns – reduce friction for the purchase

- At any stage of the process a purchaser may drop off / give up.
- Amazon focuses on the experience, so you don't give up
- "Reducing Friction"
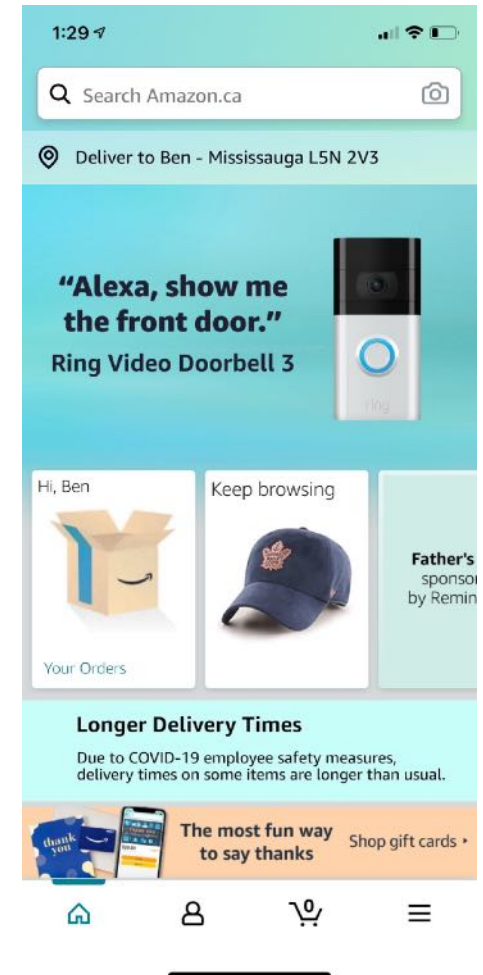
Design the Whole Experience

• Garbage Collection

• Get information – e.g. collection day / what goes where
• Sign up to reminders
• Buy a garbage tag
• **Put out the garbage**
• Report a missed collection
• Report a broken cart / order a cart / replacement
• Book a bulky collection

Service Design is the practice of:

- Ensuring the overall end-to-end experience that takes place over time meets intended outcomes

- Ensuring everything that goes into using a service is joined up and meeting user needs on and offline.

- And it uses various techniques – user research, journey mapping, process design, content and digital interaction design – to design complete digital services

Takeaways

- Good services are designed

- End to end digital services should be our goal

- Design the whole experience, minimize friction

- Put the customer at the centre of our service design work

2B – Defining Good Service (Characteristics)

Principles of good service design

A good service:

1. is easy to find

2. clearly explains its purpose

3. sets the expectations a user has of it

4. enables a user to complete the outcome they set out to do

5. works in a way that is familiar

6. requires no prior knowledge to use

7. is agnostic to organizational structures

8. requires as few steps as possible to complete

9. is consistent throughout

10. is useable by everyone equally

11. should have no dead ends

12. encourages the right behaviours from users and staff

13. should respond to change quickly

14. clearly explains why a decision has been made

15. makes it easy to get human assistance

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1. A good service is easy to find

- The service must be able to be found by a user with no prior knowledge of the task they set out to do.
    - For example, someone who wants to 'throw out a refrigerator' must be able to find their way to 'white goods pickup' as part of that service unaided.
    - Don't use acronyms (CERB)

- Make sure your service is findable
    - Google is the homepage of your service
- Name your service for what your user wants to achieve – not what you call it internally (e.g. ex gracia payments)

5. A good service works in a way that is familiar

- People base their understanding of the world on previous experiences. If there is an established custom for your service that benefits the user, your service should conform to that custom.

- Research how your peers work and look for patterns in what they do

- Understand if there is an easier more intuitive or more effective way of doing what you're doing

6. A good service requires no prior knowledge to use

- A service should not work in a way that assumes prior knowledge from the user.

- There is no service that will be used just by people who have used it before.

- Explain what your service is for

- Make no presumptions about how much users know

7. A good service is agnostic to organizational structures

- The service must work in a way that does not unnecessarily expose the user to the internal structures of the organization providing the service.

- Services in the Internet age don't obey organizational boundaries
- Siloed organizations produce siloed services
- Collaboration is the new target operating model

9. A good service is consistent throughout

- The service should look and feel like one service throughout, regardless of the channel it is delivered through. The language you use should be consistent as should visual styles and interaction patterns.

- Minimum viable service
- Good services are only as strong as their weakest link

11. A good service is useable by everyone equally

- The service must be useable by everyone who needs to use it regardless of the circumstances or abilities. No one should be less able to use the service than anyone else.

- There is no such thing as a normal user
- Inclusion is about more than just accessibility

2C – Assessing Services

Assess Your Service Against the Good Service Standard

https://good.services/

1.0 Good Service Assessment

1.1. Rating Index

A "good service" is a service that a customer can find, understand, and use without having to ask for help.

The Good Service Scorecard table below consists of the 15 universal attributes of a good service based on Lou Downe's Good Service Assessment Methodology.

Each attribute is rated against the following rating index:

0	1	2	3	4
It is not possible for users to do this	A small minority of users can do this with extreme difficulty or effort	Some users can do this, but it still requires difficulty or effort for most	Most users can do this, but it requires difficulty or effort for some	All users can do this easily and consistently

1.2. Good Service Scorecard

A Good Service...	Rating	What is your service failing to do for users?
1. Is easy to find	1	Ex-Gracia naming of the service is confusing to the customer. Limited amount of information available on website. The language used to describe service is technical in nature and how to use could be significantly improved.
2. Clearly explains its purpose	1	Some parts of the services are clearly explained with visuals, but most are not. The form contains multiple request options and does not clearly articulate that work should be completed before the application is completed and submitted.
3. Sets the expectations a user has of it	2	Expectations of service are not clearly set. Eligibility criteria not clear. Timelines for review and approval, amount of subsidy available, timeline for payment not stated online.
4. Enables each user to complete the outcome they set out to do	2	Fillable forms must be printed, filled, and mailed in. It is inconvenient and there is no form validation. Form is confusing with multiple subsidies in the same form.

Discussion

2D – Designing Good Digital Services

Steal from the Leaders

Please use the
purpose made
paved path
provided

Diolch
Thank you
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Don't Miss the Opportunity

- Digital represents an opportunity to rethink completely the service

- Don't pave the cow path

- Don't build on old assumptions (we need a signature, we need 10 copies, we can't share this information) into new digital services

- Challenge and question everything – seek outside perspectives

- Talk to customers

Library Fines
- Streamline the library fine process
        or
- Are library fines the right solution, period?

2E – How Does this Apply to Internal Services?

Good Service is Universal

- Self service + these best practices apply to all services

- Internal, external, partners, vendors, etc.

- Staff interact with many internal services daily

- Make those moments / those interactions simple, smooth

Internal Digital Experience Opportunities

- Hiring
- Onboarding
- Time and attendance
- Scheduling
- Leave and vacation requests
- Paystub
- T4's
- Benefits

- Performance Management
- Learning Management
- Billing (AR)
- Payments (AP)
- Expense Request
- Single Sign On
- Request a new device
- Check device

replacement schedule
- Reset password
- Install new software
- Workflows
- Digital approval
- Digital signature

Takeaways

- All self-service concepts apply to internal services too

- Key internal services should be digital services

- Many of these moments are People (HR) and Money (Finance)

3A – Service Ownership

Service ownership

- Who owns the service?

- Who is accountable for the steps and tasks (the business process) that make up the service experience?

- Who is accountable for the service experience?

- Who is accountable for ensuring that the service is delivered in a modern way that meets the 15 principles / customer expectations?
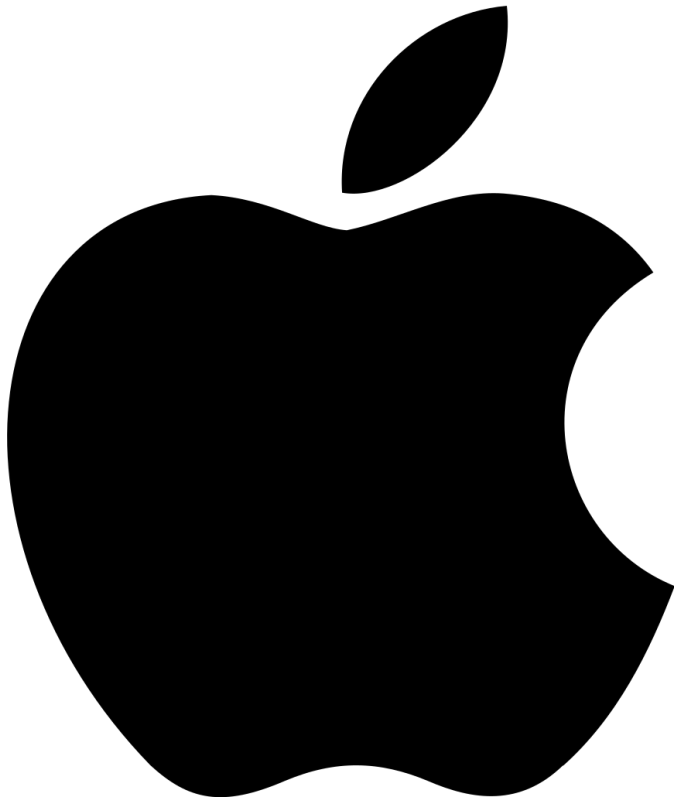
DRI

Directly
Responsible
Individual

Accountability for Digital Service Delivery

- **Accountability:** The Service Owner

- **Commitment***: All service owners, whether providing services internally or externally, should design them to be digital-first.*

- **Shared Responsibility:** Service Owners work must with partners in IT, web and others to design and deliver the service digitally

People and Process *then* Technology

3B – Build a Plan for Digital

1. Build a Coalition

- Establish a coalition of key players to help you formulate the approach, and to guide, coordinate, and communicate the vision.

2. Identify the opportunities

- Learn from others (municipalities)
- Understand the art of the possible – scan the marketplace
- Identify services, define profile and current performance
- Talk to customers

3. Form a Vision, Identify Initiatives

- Collectively define and communicate how the future will be different from the past and how you will make that future a reality through initiatives linked directly to the vision.
- Identify key initiatives (backlog) + set out strategy

4. Build Buy In and Urgency

- Help others (in your team, across the organization) see the need for change
- Bring everyone up the mountain

5. Build the Team

- Dedicate the right resources
- Build a multi-disciplinary team – project lead, analyst, developer
- Co-locate if possible
- Identify key change agents that will help communicate/sell the change

6. Remove Barriers

- Protect the team
- Remove barriers, empower the team to work across silos, to challenge existing practices, and to generate real impact.
- Design the future

7. Short Term Wins

- Implement quick, initial wins that form part of the bigger story.
- Launch, learn and improve
- Recognize, communicate and celebrate successes early and often – to energize the team to persist.

8. Sustain Acceleration

- Build momentum
- Press harder after the first successes.
- Be relentless with initiating change after change until the vision is a reality.

9. Embed Change and Iterate

- Articulate and reinforce new behaviors, making sure they continue until they become strong enough to replace old habits.
- Update Job Descriptions to reflect new mode of operating
- Iteratively improve the product / service

Define your services

- Do a scan and inventory of your service area

- Use this to identify which of your services [things your customers want to do] are highest volume, highest impact, have the farthest reach, take up the most of your team's time, are the most suited to digital delivery, are the easiest to digitize/move online?

- What could you do to digitize part of a service to free staff capacity to do the other transformation work you need to do?

- Talk to your teams/frontline staff – where do they see opportunity?

Talk to Customers

- Talk to your customers, find out where the service rough edges are, what is difficult about using / accessing your service, what digital improvements would they prioritize?
  - You might be surprised

- Customer research – watch customers use your services, do a mystery shopper program

- Customer journey mapping – what are their experiences / feelings?

Understand the Landscape / Opportunity

- Assess what peers and leaders in the field have done; how they approached it, and importantly what it took to get there (learn from their pain/experience)

- Work with partners (in IT) to develop a shared understanding of the art of the possible

- Target those areas that need to be improved / digitized

- Keep recognizing the people and process *then* technology continuum

Set your vision, better still make it a mission

- As a leader

- Set your vision for your service as a digital or hybrid service

- Be bold, be specific, be measurable

"Ford says by **mid-2026**, **100%** of its **passenger vehicle range in Europe** will be zero-emissions capable, all-electric or plug-in hybrid; moving to **all-electric by 2030**"

Build a Plan

- Socialize your vision and build a partnership to help you figure out what it will really take to achieve
  - SME's – your team
  - Process specialists
  - Policy specialists
  - Technology specialists
  - External expertise?

- Establish the sequencing / the order in which to tackle the work

- Build the business case / value prop

- Build a solid plan (budget / resource / effort)
  - Be realistic / be honest – budget the whole cost

People and Process *then* Technology

Importance of Rethinking

- Take a step back - don't digitize a bad process

- Take the opportunity to truly rethink – Service Design / Business Process Optimization
  - Consider all assumptions
  - Consider customer viewpoints
  - Apply the 5 Why's

- What does the new operating model look like?
  - New / different roles
  - New / different skills

Awareness

All stakeholders must be aware of the business reasons for change

Awareness is the outcome of initial messages related to the change

Desire

All stakeholders must have the desire to participate and support the change

Desire is the outcome of sponsorship, urgency, addressing concerns and change resistance

Knowledge

All stakeholders must have a thorough understanding of the change processes and its objectives – WIIFM

Knowledge is the outcome of education, training, and coaching

Ability

All stakeholders can implement / accept change at the required level

Ability to learn new skills and by managing behaviours change is accepted

Ability is the outcome of practice, coaching and time

Reinforcement

Reinforcement to sustain change make it clear for all employees that there is no turning back

Reinforcement is the outcome of adoption measurement, corrective action, and recognition

Importance of Sustained Effort

- Start small, work with frontline users

- Test ideas and hypotheses, get feedback and iterate

- Demonstrate small wins and 🎉

- Build on success, learn from failures

- Pursue relentless progress – think compound interest

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Today

10+ Years →

of constant
relentless
refinement

- No Apps
- No 3G
- No cut, copy, paste
- No video
- No selfie camera

Set Commitments and Measure

- Objective: We want our services to be more digital by 2024
  - Key Result: We will fact-find with 3 other municipalities that have done this by Q3 2021
  - Key Result: We will conduct 30 user interviews with customers by end of 2021
  - Key Result: We will clear policy/legal constraints by Q4 2021
  - Key Result: We will introduce 1 new beta digital service by Q2 2022
  - Key Result: We will introduce 2 new live digital services by Q4 2022
  - Key Result: We will introduce 3 additional live digital services by Q4 2023

- Measure and communicate value / ROI / benefits

Takeaways

- No excuses
- Learn/steal from peers
- Understand art of the possible
- Be practical / pragmatic
- Understand sequencing
- Challenge assumptions / rethink
- Build partnerships / coalitions to deliver
- Start small
- Sustained attention

Reflect and Recap

1 thing learned

1 takeaway

1 thing you now want to know /
want to or need to learn?

Final Takeaways

- Digital – not if, but when. The time is now – COVID as a tipping point
- Own your service and its delivery mode
- Focus on the customer / listen to their needs and expectations
- Design your service for your customer
- Survey the landscape
- As service owner work with partners to set your vision
- Make it your mission to become digital and own the vision / mission
- Get your teams on board / counter the naysayers with facts and commitment
- Prioritize service improvements
- Partner to execute

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Other Modules

- **Module B: Set Your Digital Vision**
  - How to figure out what needs to be done
  - How to identify and select opportunities for digital transformation.
  - How to form a vision
  - How to build buy in and urgency.
  - Approaches to funding digital delivery.

- **Module C: Design and Deliver**
  - How to build the right team.
  - How to employ design thinking to design complete services.
  - How to use important tools and techniques such as Service Design, Business Process Optimization, User Research, Customer Journey Mapping,
  - How to use the "Discovery – Alpha – Beta – Launch" approach to focus on service and process first.
  - How to promote digital service adoption / uptake.
  - How to listen and learn from users.

- **Module D: Operate and Iterate**
  - How to adopt a product mindset to continuous improvement of services.
  - How to measure and track outcomes.
  - How to promote uptake of digital services.
  - Open discussion, next steps and making your personal commitment.