



Surrey's Health & Technology DISTRICT Announces Groundswell of New Companies

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Surrey, B.C. – Today, one of the region's most dynamic new tech sector hubs, the Health and Technology District on Innovation Boulevard in Surrey, announced that within the last 90 days 22 companies have joined the Health and Technology DISTRICT.

The Health and Technology DISTRICT on Innovation Boulevard is a series of high-tech buildings located immediately adjacent to Surrey Memorial Hospital, creating a unique ecosystem for clinicians and health-care providers to work alongside innovators, entrepreneurs and tech companies. Developed by Canadian based company, The Lark Group, the DISTRICT is receiving international interest, leading to a series of investments by local start up as well as global leading organizations, seen as an unparalleled landscape for research, development and innovation.

“The recent groundswell surrounding numerous new companies joining BC’s growing tech sector is unprecedented,” says Larry Fisher, President of the Lark Group. “The Health and Technology District will inject \$1.1 billion annually into the local economy once construction is completed in less than a decade. The DISTRICT will also create an estimated 15,000 jobs, in addition to creating innovative products that will be exported globally.”

Two of the organizations that have most recently joined the Health & Technology DISTRICT are US based Helius Medical Technologies and BC’s own Safe Software – both companies are setting global standards in terms of innovation and technology.

Helius Medical Technologies is a medical technology company focused on neurological wellness. Helius is a publicly traded company on the Toronto Stock Exchange in Canada and the OTCQB in the United States. Helius seeks to develop, license and acquire unique and non-invasive platform technologies that amplify the brain’s ability to heal itself. For more information, please visit www.heliusmedical.com.

Safe Software is one British Columbia's largest software companies with more than 20,000 customers in over 100 countries. Its FME software is used by utilities, governments, engineering firms, and other organizations around the world to integrate enterprise systems and automate data processing. The company has 140 employees and is headquartered in Surrey, where it was founded in 1993. For more information, visit: www.safe.com

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