BeSpatial
/ urisa ontario

'BeSpatial, *The Geospatial and Information Community*' represents the future as an association for collaboration and information sharing across all industries and sectors, with an analysis and information management approach that starts with geospatial.
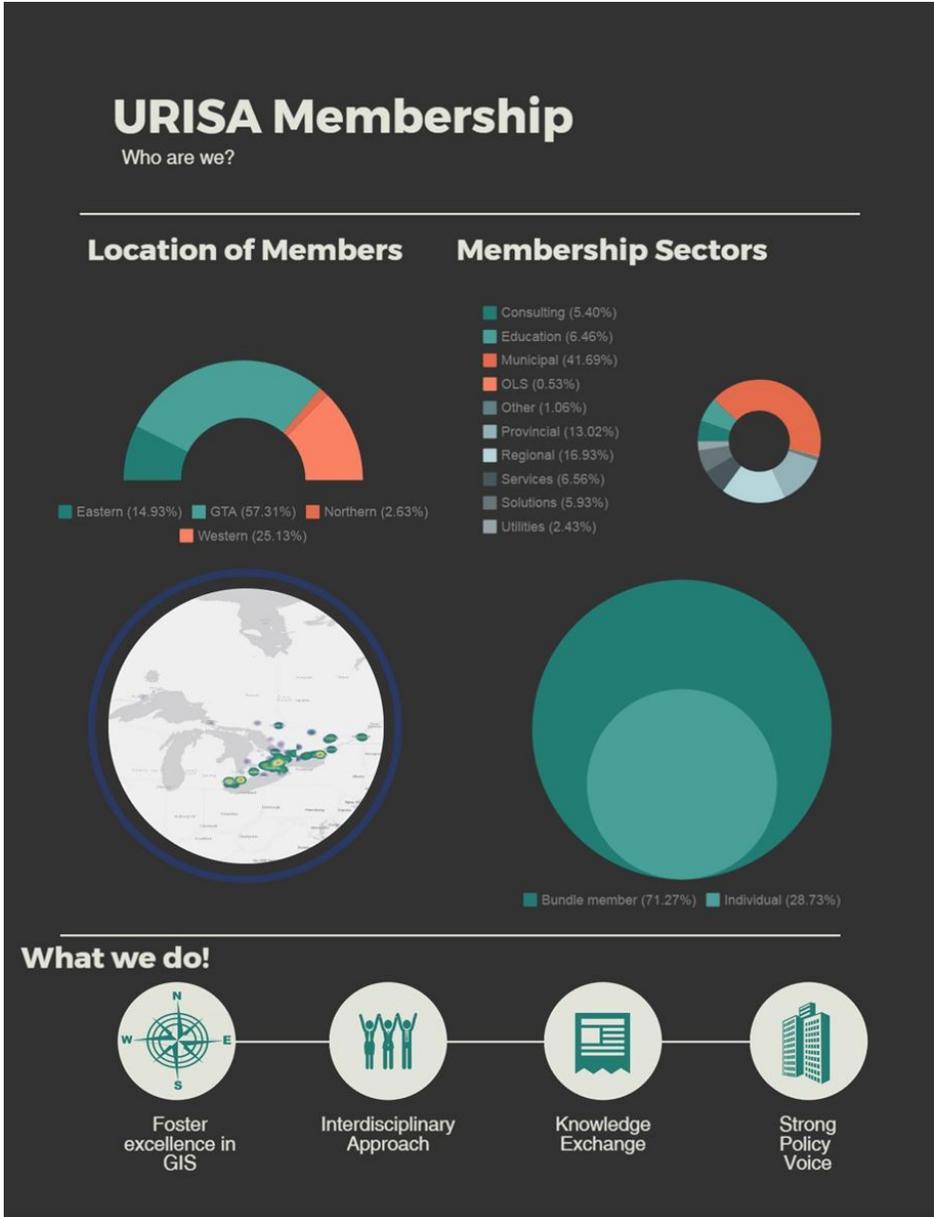
For over 31 years, the BeSpatial / urisa ontario has been a powerful organization comprised of individuals, businesses, government and their agencies working together to discuss, develop, and provide solutions in the field of spatial information.

Our strength is in the ability of our community to share information and to provide opportunities for collaboration and networking. The focus on geospatial and information initiatives includes supporting a growing business need for analytics and visioning. Participants are engaged across all levels including professionals, practitioners, management and executives. The open and safe nature of our community-focused events enables interactions and contributions from across-disciplines (planning, transportation, utilities, and works, acknowledging that it is the geospatial and information innovations that often power the business front in many key areas.

Geospatial and information solutions and resultant services are foundational to the evolution to smart initiatives in both the public and private sectors. With strong support from business partners, BeSpatial, at the non-profit level, is known as the primary community for geospatial and information happenings in Ontario.

As the geospatial and information profession has evolved, our community has recognized the broad use of geospatial approaches and technology across diverse industries and sectors. In addition, we recognize that geospatial approaches are embedded in the many information challenges facing organizations today.

BeSpatial builds on the over 31 years of experience as a non-profit association, supporting the growth and development of the geospatial community and championing opportunities for collaboration and sharing information.

URISA Membership

Who are we?

Location of Members

Eastern (14.93%) GTA (57.31%) Northern (2.63%)
Western (25.13%)

Membership Sectors

Consulting (5.40%)
Education (6.46%)
Municipal (41.69%)
OLS (0.53%)
Other (1.06%)
Provincial (13.02%)
Regional (16.93%)
Services (6.56%)
Solutions (5.93%)
Utilities (2.43%)

Bundle member (71.27%) Individual (28.73%)

What we do!

Foster excellence in GIS

Interdisciplinary Approach

Knowledge Exchange

Strong Policy Voice

BeSpatial is a community of individuals and organizations that share and innovate in geospatial and information knowledge and expertise to achieve evidence based decision-making.

Our mission is to continue to provide networking opportunities, programs and services to enhance the professional development of our members and partners.