

Identifying Case Study Subjects: Rural Entrepreneurship Programs

Help us identify effective local entrepreneurship development programs so we can highlight good regional or local economic development practices. The Rural Ontario Institute is preparing to tell stories of successful rural entrepreneurs and entrepreneurship programs. The intent is to profile a range of approaches to entrepreneurship programming that respond to the needs of current or aspiring rural entrepreneurs.

We're looking for your help in identifying some leading practices in entrepreneurship development. If you know of a program serving rural entrepreneurs and think it is a story worth telling, we would like to hear from you! Perhaps you also know of an entrepreneur who was helped in the development of their business by such a program who might also provide insight into the value of the program?

Please provide some basic information below and we will follow up directly. Depending on how many suggestions we receive we may need to be selective in that process.

Guiding Questions

Program Suggestions

- What issue(s) is this program designed to address?
- What support does it provide?
- Who is using this program/how is it targeted?
- Why would this program be informative to other rural communities?

Entrepreneur Suggestions

- Please describe the individual and/or business – how have they been successful?
- What types of entrepreneurship programming did the entrepreneur access?
- When/why did they access this programming? (Do you mean how recently or at what stage of their development?)
- What were they able to accomplish through the programming that they would otherwise not been able to?



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Program/Entrepreneur Contact Information (contact, email, phone):

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