

# Co-operatives in Canada

## CURRENT STATE AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES









## Resources

- Online governance course
- Co-op Creator
- Workshops and training
- Policy development and reviews
- Business Plan Support





## Case Study #1

- Is a co-op a good idea?
- What kind of co-op would work best in this situation?
- How would you move the project forward from this point?
- What options for capitalizing and financing a new venture is available?



## How to work with us

- Depends on the need of the group
- Request for Support
- Business Development Fund – request for support
  - Nelson
  - Fraser Lake
  - Tree Amigos
  - Piney



## Request for proposals

- Co-operatives First will conduct a search for business services based on the co-ops needs.  
ie. Business plan or feasibility study
- Co-operatives First will contact consultants in the region and send the consultant a request for proposals based on the groups needs and feedback
- Proposals are based on quality, history and similar experience of the consultant to the project





## Case Study #2

- From the information provided, is forming a co-op in this case a good idea?
- If you were to suggest a co-op, what model options would you put forward?
- How would you manage the transfer of ownership and communicate (through supporting Chief, Council and the
- Economic Developer) this change to the community?
- Outline next steps (if any).



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Thank You!  
Questions?



## Stay in touch

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