



Canadian Agricultural Partnership (the Partnership)

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Overview of The Partnership

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agricultural framework dedicated to supporting the sector

5 years

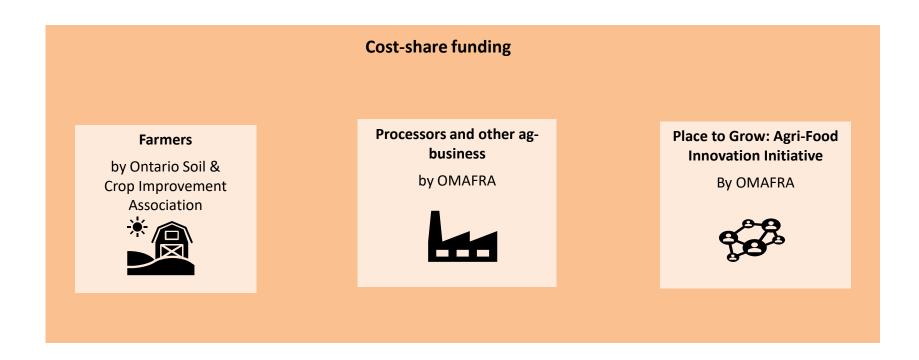
to drive sustainable growth and outcomes (2018-23) \$417M

for strategic initiatives programming in Ontario

- Federal-provincial-territorial initiative to support the sector to:
 - ✓ Increase competitiveness, productivity, profitability;
 - ✓ Increase environmental sustainability;
 - ✓ Expand domestic and international markets;
 - ✓ Improve anticipation, mitigation, and response to risks.







Cost-share funding opportunities for agriculture and food-value chain partners, which encourages greater collaboration to:

- Identify opportunities
- Address challenges in the sector and industry priorities
- Help drive innovation

- Environmental Farm Plan
 - Biosecurity
- Growing Your Farm Profits

Workshops and eLearning









1

ASSESS: What is your farm business's challenge or opportunity?

2

PREPARE AN **ACTION PLAN**: Identifying ways to address the challenge or opportunity?

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IMPLEMENT THE ACTION PLAN: Some activities may be eligible for cost-share funding assistance



Canada-Ontario Environmental Farm Plan

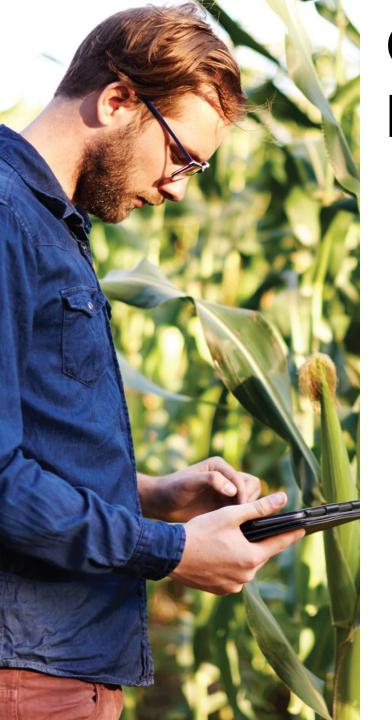
A voluntary environmental education and awareness program











Growing Your Farm Profits Workshop

- Production management
- Marketing
- Financial management
- Human resources
- Social responsibility
- Succession planning*
- Business goals

Biosecurity Workshop Benefits:

- Understand the benefits of an on-farm biosecurity program
- Identify current practices that could be putting your farm at risk
- Work with a veterinarian or Certified Crop Advisor to enhance biosecurity protocols on your farm.

Online Resources

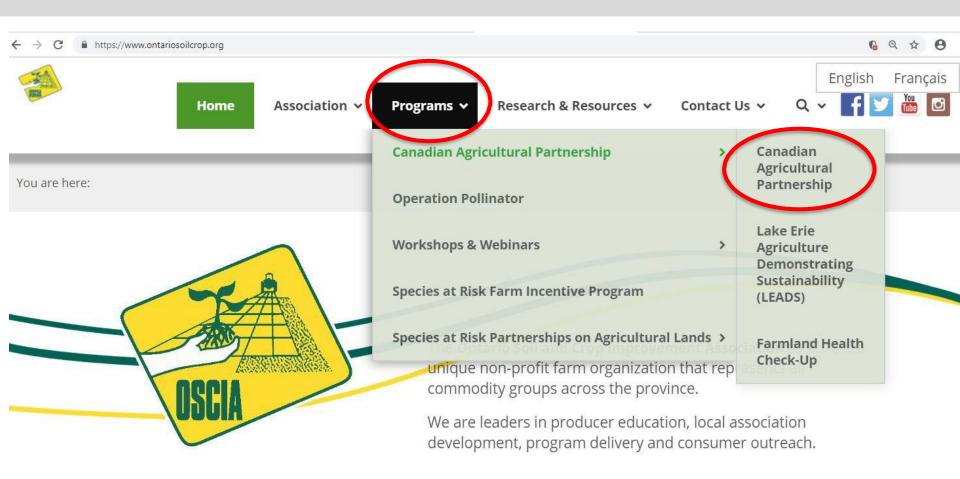
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Are you eligible?

- File farm business income taxes in Ontario
- Have a valid and up to date Premises Identification Number (PID)
- Have a valid Farm Business Registration Number (FBRN) or able to provide an eligible exemption*
- Meet all application requirements



Key Priority Areas:

Economic Development



Environmental Stewardship



Protection and Assurance



Economic Development

















Project Categories – **Business Analysis**

Financial Analysis

Business Plans





Market Development

Marketing Plans

Market Products in Canada

Market Products Internationally

Develop New Products or Processes





Productivity

Planning for Increased Labour Productivity

Technology and Equipment to Improve Labour Productivity

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Stream: Producer

Code:

EMPT-PD-C

For projects focused on the execution of a comprehensive plan to implement new and novel technologies and equipment to enhance labour productivity.

Who should apply?

Producers who wish to significantly enhance labour productivity and efficiencies by putting in place:

- . New or novel technological or equipment upgrades. New or novel upgrades are defined as those that have been adopted by less than 20 per cent of the sector in Ontario to date; or
- Technological or equipment upgrades at Northern Ontario and Indigenous Partner businesses, that may or may not be new or novel

To apply you must have completed

· A labour productivity plan*

Eligible activities and expenditures

- Retrofit, upgrade or acquire new equipment or technology (including integrated software systems) to increase automation
- Modification of existing equipment or technology (including integrated software systems) for optimization or to enable the installation of automation and labour-saving equipment or technology
- · Third-party advisory costs for first-time training of key personnel on project-related new equipment, technology, software and processes
- Third-party advisory costs for development and translation of existing labour productivity-focused policies, feedback systems, preventative maintenance procedures, and standard operational
 procedures to improve personnel performance, reduce downtime, reduce waste, and optimize labour availability
- In-kind contributions

Ineligible activities and expenditures

- · Activities and expenditures as detailed here
- · Building shell modifications
- Incremental and ongoing maintenance costs, or those deemed to be part of normal operations
- Costs and activities associated with expanding facility capacity or output
- · Irrigation systems or upgrades
- · Travel and meal costs

Available cost-share

35 per cent, up to a maximum of \$100,000



How applications are assessed?

- Applications are accepted only during intakes.
- Evaluated after intake closes.
- Only eligible and complete applications are considered.
- Assessed using Merit Assessment Criteria.
- Projects that best meet Merit Assessment
 Criteria receive cost-share funding allocation.



Applications Outcomes

- Approved
- Partially Approved
- Conditionally Approved
- Declined: Incomplete
- Declined: Ineligible
- Declined: Low Merit



Applications and Additional Information:

 Detailed information and application forms can be accessed through the <u>www.ontarioprogramguides.net</u> website









