

# Together Creating a Sustainable Food System for our Community

## Harvest Haliburton Updates January – June 2018 Highlights

# Haliburton County is a great place to launch a food business

There is enormous support for local entrepreneurs, and there are plenty of local resources to help you get your business started. Harvest Haliburton has simplified the search process by creating a list of resources for almost everything you need to get your business started or expanding. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. Check out <a href="Starting a Food Business">Started or expanding</a>. The links on this page will guide one through the process from idea to a thriving food business.

#### **Ontario Ministry of Food and Rural Affairs**

released a new set of data resources, showcasing a suite of tools to support community-driven agricultural economic development and planning. Harvest Haliburton was successful in securing funding support from Haliburton County Development Corporation's Local Initiative Program to analyze the data, host a focus group and develop a report including recommendations tailored for our community's agricultural economic development. Look for this report in December 2018.

## <u>Cultivating Change: Optimizing Farmers'</u> Markets in Ontario

Farmers' Markets are a great economic driver in rural communities. Want to learn more about the cultivating change and optimizing farmers' markets in Ontario? Then you will want to read this report written by Melissa Johnston, Harvest Haliburton member. Melissa is working with National Farmers Union to develop this report into a user-friendly guide to help farmers' markets administrators and organizers improve their markets and help them thrive.

#### FIND US, FOLLOW US, JOIN US!

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Our website has a fresh new look – check us out www.HarvestHaliburton.com



## Learn o Grow o Eat

A series of workshops about food! Growing, Preparing & Preserving

This year Harvest Haliburton is partnering with the <u>Haliburton Highlands Community</u>

Garden Network.

To date, one workshop has been hosted: *Preparing your Soil.* Participants from the workshops stated they appreciated the facilitators expertise.