

Northern Ontario Women's Economic Development Conference

Project Summary

The Northern Ontario Women's Economic Development Conference is the first regional economic development conference devoted to advancing business development opportunities for women. It is open to individuals who share a vision for developing innovative, women-centred solutions to help build strong and sustainable Northern Ontario communities.

Key Objectives

- Raise and celebrate the profiles of northern women involved in community economic and business development
- Provide learning opportunities while encouraging participatory, holistic practices that empower women and grow business and community economic development
- Increase women's awareness of and access to innovative and effective programs and supports
- Provide a forum as a catalyst towards finding northern women-centred solutions for rural communities, including those facing severe and sudden downturns in their local economy
- Stimulate growth in the north through partnerships and networks that will enhance the development of innovative northern solutions that are environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable
- Develop and maintain a network, particularly within northeastern Ontario, as there are fewer services and programs provided

Community Partners

Marg Scott (North Superior Training Board)
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Term of Project

Conference will take place 29–30 April 2008 at the Valhalla Inn, Thunder Bay, Ontario

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