

USFWC Volunteer Work Week 2010

What's Your Project?

We understand that most projects are just getting started and may not have done much planning or financing yet, so don't worry if you answer "no" to many of the questions below. This form will help us figure out what kind of support to offer startup projects.

Contact Person: _____ Sponsoring Organization (if any): _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

Name of your project: _____

Briefly describe the cooperative business project you are planning (what will it make or do, how big will it be, what need does it meet):

Why are you excited about this project?

What stage is your project in? Make an X on the line at the spot that best describes your current stage.

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Idea stage Done some research Concrete planning Ready to go

Do you have any of the following:

- Business plan and/or financial planning and budgeting
- Money/sources of financing. If so, how much?
- Location/site for the business. If so, will you rent or own the location? Where is it?
- Workers/members of your cooperative. If so, how many?

What is your background in the industry your project is in?

What is your background in business in general?

What is your background with cooperatives, shared ownership, working together, etc?

What type of help does your project need most (select no more than 3):

- Basic business planning – how to write a business plan and turn an idea into reality
- Legal information about how to incorporate
- Information on financing and access to money
- Budgeting, financial projections
- Working together democratically: how to do it
- Decision-making and management structures
- Specific information from co-ops in the industry: _____
- Other:

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