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Community Action  
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Youth and Youth-  
Advocate  
Communication  
and Partnership

## History:

**Year 2000:** the Canadian Rural Partnership initiated a dialogue involving over 7,000 rural and remote Canadians, with a Rural Youth Dialogue happening alongside in eight communities.

**Year 2005-6:** the Rural Team BC partnered with the BC Rural Network and undertook two more rural youth dialogues in the communities of Castlegar and Vernon. At each dialogue young people were offered the opportunity to:

- express their thoughts on what was happening in their communities, particularly around education and employment,
- connect with trades counselors and employers.

**Year 2005-6:** The Canadian Community Economic Development (CED) Network's Emerging Leaders initiated a Youth and CED research project across Canada, creating profiles of young people involved in their communities across the country.

## And Now?...



This is where **YOU** come in!

Do you see opportunity in your region to engage youth and community stakeholders in action plans that enhance youth employment and engagement in community economic development?

Has your youth community already created a CED action plan and is now looking to move forward, to identify the first steps and to mobilize?!

Here are some online resources...

## Community Economic Development

Definition - Action by people locally to create economic opportunities and enhance social conditions in their communities on a sustainable and inclusive basis, particularly with those who are most disadvantaged.

Canadian CED Network



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<http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/>

Storytellers Foundation; The Learning Shop

<http://www.upperskeena.ca/>

Columbia Basin Trust

<http://www.cbt.org/main/default.asp>

Greater Trail Community Skills Centre

<http://www.communityskillscentre.com/>

Bamfield Community Association

<http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/en/docs/pubs/Bamfield.pdf>

BC Healthy Communities

<http://www.bchealthycommunities.ca/Content/Home.asp>

## Government Employment Sites



BC Rural Team

Yukon Rural Team

Community Futures

## Youth Organizations, Councils, CED and Employment Initiatives



Emerging Leaders

<http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/en/pages/emergingleaders.asp>

CreateAction CED Youth Internships

[http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/en/pages/Career\\_Focus.asp](http://www.ccednet-rcdec.ca/en/pages/Career_Focus.asp)

Bringing Youth Towards Equality (BYTE)

<http://www.yukonyouth.com/>

BC Co-op Association

<http://www.bcca.coop/programs/index.htm>

Sierra Club Youth Coalition

<http://www.syc-cjs.org/tiki-index.php>

Environmental Youth Alliance

<http://www.eya.ca/>

Santropol Roulant -

<http://www.santropolroulant.org/2006/E-home.htm>