

Co-ops Feasibility Class

C TAP COOPERATIVE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Are you interested in Starting a Cooperative in the City of Minneapolis?

The City of Minneapolis is offering a class for groups interested in creating a cooperative. The class will equip the participants with tools to evaluate their co-op idea and/or to refine their model for those that are already in the process of incorporation.

Place:

City of Minneapolis Innovation Center
Crown Roller Mill Building, 105 5th Ave S, #150, Minneapolis, MN 55401

When:

Eight Thursdays, from Oct 12 to Dec 7, 2017
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Cost:

This program is paid by the City of Minneapolis and there is no cost to participate

Registration:

Will close on October 2, 2017 [here](#)
Accepted participants will be notified by Oct 6, 2017

BUSINESS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Supporting Business Growth in the City of Minneapolis



Eligibility:

- Groups interested in locating a co-op in Minneapolis
- Groups with a minimum of 2 to 3 people (not for individuals)
- Groups must have selected a product or service to evaluate prior to the class
- Commitment to attend the eight (8) sessions and work on the feasibility plan

Class Topics:

Session 1: Introduction of participants, co-op business model, and participant projects; *Session 2:* Understanding and leading the development process; *Session 3:* Developing a business plan, building a sustainable co-op business enterprise; *Session 4:* Building the democratic community and co-op feasibility study; *Session 5:* Focus on financials; *Session 6:* Cooperative governance; *Session 7:* Legal framework; *Session 8:* Resources and moving forward.

Questions:

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