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Let's Talk Rural Sustainability with MP Mike Bossio

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How do we build long-term, sustainable rural communities?

How do we support our aging rural population?

How do we reverse rural population drain?

How do we support rural innovation and economic development?

How do we adapt to the impacts of climate change in rural communities?

What is the federal government doing to support rural communities?

**"Building long-term, sustainable rural communities is at the heart of all my
work as your Member of Parliament"**

– Mike Bossio

I will be on hand to share information about the work our government is doing to support rural communities like ours, and to hear from you about how we can further support our rural communities.

RURAL SUSTAINABILITY TOWN HALL

WHEN: 10:00am to 11:30am, Saturday, June 1st, 2019

WHERE: Centre Hastings Secondary School
129 Elgin Street, Madoc

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New Federal Funding for Rural Economic Development

Over \$1 billion to fuel economic growth in southern Ontario, including \$100 million set aside specifically for rural development, and an additional \$15 million for Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) in Eastern Ontario

Rural communities like ours have enormous potential to drive growth and innovation in our country.

The announcement of new economic development funding unlocks that potential in partnership with our hard-working CFDCs. It demonstrates the dedication that our government has to ensuring rural sustainability, and inclusive growth from our biggest cities to our smallest rural communities.

Canada's ability to remain competitive in the fast-paced and increasingly global economy is closely tied to the strength of southern Ontario's economy. The Government of Canada is ensuring businesses, organizations and communities in every corner of the country are able to seize opportunities to build a stronger, more innovative, inclusive and diversified economy.

The Hon. Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Minister responsible for FedDev Ontario, accompanied by the Hon. Bernadette Jordan, Minister of Rural Economic Development, announced over \$1 billion in funding for FedDev Ontario to continue to foster growth in southern Ontario.

Recognizing the vital role rural communities play in the region's economy, it was announced that FedDev Ontario is dedicating an initial sum of \$100 million to projects that drive innovation and growth in rural communities across southern Ontario.

Additionally, FedDev Ontario will continue to support strategic and innovative community economic development activities that were provided through the Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP) through the new funding streams, and \$15 million in transition funding over two years to ensure Eastern Ontario CFDCs maintain their service levels while at the same time developing a transition plan and advancing new proposals.

Projects can now be submitted using a single application, through three simplified funding streams, which have been designed to meet the needs of our businesses, job-creating entrepreneurs, innovation partners and communities both now and into the future. Additional information is available in the funding streams backgrounder.

FedDev Ontario is a key platform delivering the Government's Innovation and Skills Plan in southern Ontario, ensuring that Canadians living and working in the region have tailored support to seize opportunities created by the innovation economy.

