



2016 Micro-Grant Recipients

1. **PEI Food Exchange - Community Food Preservers Program**

The Community Food Preservers program (CFPP) will be offered to individuals who are interested in teaching canning and food preservation methods (drying, root cellar technology, fermenting, freezing) and sharing this knowledge in their community. Properly preserving locally grown food to maximize nutritional value, increase food security, and promote sustainability is the CFPP's goal. Mastering this heritage skill and passing it on to others will allow members of the community to have access to locally grown, nutritious food all year round.

2. **Betty Begg - Buy-Local, Eat-Local Community Kitchen**

Buy-Local Eat Local Community Kitchen provides hands-on training on how to source and prepare good healthy food on a low income budget. The project will focus on a variety of different food related skills to provide students with a broad range of applicable knowledge in the kitchen. Examples of skills training include: Safety in the kitchen, packing and storing food, proper knife use, meal planning, sourcing healthy food at best price, recipes, buying local.

3. **Patricia Borque - My Two Worlds**

This photography exhibit at the Guild will showcase Mi'kmaq culture and dancing against the backdrop of urban and rural PEI landscapes. It was held from June 22nd- July 3rd 2016. The artist, Patricia Borque, captures and expresses her experience of being a Mi'kmaq on Prince Edward Island through the lens of her camera.

4. **Fusion PEI - Solar Powered Mobile Phone Charging Station**

Fusion has been working on the design of a semi-portable solar powered charging station for mobile devices to both inform and inspire users to consider the potential and current availability of solar power in our everyday lives. The station will be set up in a busy public location such as around Vic Row where people can plug in for a few minutes and get a free charge for their phone. It will also serve as an educational tool with infographics built into the station with content pertaining to the benefits of solar energy. Fusion is working with Birdmouse, an artisan woodworking shop in St George's, to come up with a novel design.

5. **The Farm Centre - Breaking Ground Workshop Series**

The Farm Centre Legacy Garden "Breaking ground: workshop series is an extensive series of hands-on workshops that will provide fun, informative, and engaging opportunities for Islanders of all ages. A few examples of workshops being offered are: Introduction to planning and planting your own home garden, Cooking with seasonal food, Building accessibility garden beds for the elderly and people with mobility impairments, Planting fruit trees, maintenance, and pruning, and How to grow nutritious mushrooms indoors.

6. **Reg Porter - Trinity United Church**

The History and Archives committee of the Trinity United Church in Charlottetown showcased and informed the public about the unique architecture of the Trinity United Church. This project is part of an awareness campaign of the wonder of this historic church - one of three public buildings present when the Fathers of Confederation met in 1864. Reg Porter is very well versed on the building's structure and history. He will deliver the presentation in an entertaining, engaging manner for the enjoyment and learning of all who attend.

7. **UPEI Food Collective - Panther Pantry**

The UPEI Panther Pantry Food Collective addresses food insecurity on campus by preparing and serving healthy, locally supported lunches to students, free of charge. The Panther Pantry is operated exclusively by student volunteers and provides food for 50-100 students on serving days. The student volunteers would use the funds provided by this micro-grant to renovate their kitchen to allow them to maintain this much needed service on campus.

8. **Chris Sallie - Charlottetown Junior Sous Chef Program**

The Charlottetown Junior Sous Chef Program is an interactive and inclusive program aimed at youth age 8-16 that seeks to improve health and wellness through food literacy, foods skills training, and kitchen confidence. Over the course of 6 classes and 1 field trip, we will provide hands on workshops that focus on key areas of meal planning while allowing the children to work in an environment that is safe and fun. The goal is to reach 80 children with the help of this micro-grant funding.

9. **BGHJ Architects - Urban Bee-Hive**

BGHG Architects in Charlottetown have come up with a creative and innovative project seeking to educate the public on the importance of honeybees in relation to food security and sustainability in the community. They have designed four honeybee hive structures to be placed at the Farm Centre Legacy Garden. The hives will be fully functional for housing honeybee operations and will provide an aesthetically pleasing interactive learning platform for the community.

10. **Sperenza - Bike Co-op**

Sperenza plans to operate a bike co-op in downtown Charlottetown. A variety of bikes and helmets will be available for people to sign out and use free of charge. It allows persons of all ages and economics the joy of riding bicycles, helping to create a healthier happier City. It targets tourists, persons on fixed incomes and families living apartments who would otherwise not have the opportunity of having a bike.