



Cooperation Works!

THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

Building Blocks 2024
Hybrid Program Agenda – CENTRAL
Draft Agenda

Virtual Programming July 2 nd -25 th		
Time	Session	Presenter
Tuesday, July 2nd, 2024		
12:00pm CT	Program Welcome and Introduction	Alex Stone <i>Executive Director</i> CooperationWorks!
12:30pm CT	Icebreaker/Networking: Building Connections Among New Cooperative Developers	Alex Stone
1:00pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
1:15pm CT	Community Agreements	NA
1:45pm CT	Speed Networking – Community Development	NA
2:30pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
2:45pm CT	Introduction to the Cooperative Business Model and the Field of Cooperative Development	Margaret Bau <i>Co-op Development Specialist</i> USDA - RD
4:00pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Tuesday July 9th, 2024		
12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	Cooperative Business Basics – Part 1	Margaret Lund <i>Principal</i> Co-Opera
1:15pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
1:30pm CT	Cooperative Business Basics – Part 2	Margaret Lund <i>Principal</i> Co-Opera
2:30pm CT	<i>Break</i>	All
2:45pm CT	Small Group Work: Case Study Homework	
3:15pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Thursday July 11th, 2024		
12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	Cooperative Governance: Effective Governance Systems in a Start-up Environment	Courtney Berner <i>Executive Director</i> UW Center for Cooperatives
2:30pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Tuesday, July 16th, 2024		

12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	History of African American Cooperation	Jessica Gordon Nembhard <i>Professor</i> John Jay College CUNY
1:30pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
2:00pm CT	Participant Presentations on Cooperative Movements Throughout History	Margaret Bau <i>Co-op Development Specialist</i> USDA - RD
4:00pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Thursday July 18th, 2024		
12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	Tax and Legal Environment for Cooperatives	TBD
2:00pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
2:30pm CT	Intro to Accounting for Cooperatives: Demystifying Financial Reports	Tamah Yisrael <i>Business Consultant</i> Columinate
3:45pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Tuesday July 23rd, 2023		
12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	Building on Abundance: Evaluating Your Communities Assets	Karri-Lynn Paul <i>Teaching Staff</i> Coady Institute (Tentative)
2:00pm CT	<i>Break</i>	TBD
2:30pm CT	Asset Mapping Exercise	All
3:00pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	
Thursday July 27th, 2023		
12:00pm CT	Welcome and Check-ins	All
12:15pm CT	Assessing Your Cooperative Ecosystem	Alex Stone <i>Executive Director</i> CooperationWorks!
1:30pm CT	<i>Break</i>	
1:45pm CT	Ecosystem Case Study: How Local Ecosystems Support a Statewide Ecosystem in Ohio	Cherelle Gardner <i>Program Director</i> Co-op Dayton
3:15pm CT	Reflections, Next Steps, and Close	All
4:00pm CT	<i>Adjourn</i>	