
reThink Green Announces Sudbury-Manitoulin Low-Carbon Building Skills Partnership Project

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SUDBURY- reThink Green is excited to announce the 2018 Sudbury-Manitoulin Low-Carbon Building Skills (LCBS) Partnership Project. The LCBS Partnership Project will support Ontario's commitment to the Climate Change Action Plan by helping organizations involved in the design, construction, and maintenance of buildings increase their current capacity to provide low-carbon building skills.

This project, which is a partnership between reThink Green and Workforce Planning for Sudbury & Manitoulin, will assess the existing ability of the Sudbury and Manitoulin workforce to provide low-carbon building skills, and the additional skills and training that may be required. This assessment will assist training providers, industry, unions, employment services, and others with labour market intelligence.

Project objectives include: engaging with industry, labour, designers, green energy organizations, colleges, Indigenous communities, and others to identify any skills shortages or gaps, challenges and/or barriers, projected need, and training requirements.

Project activities will include: establishing an expert advisory panel, conducting surveys and round-table consultations with key stakeholders, and the exploration of innovative strategies. Expected outcomes will include a final report with recommendations.

"Labour market research into the green and low-carbon workforce is new for our geographic area, and will help to fill a knowledge gap," said Dawn Graham, Program Manager, LCBS Partnership Project. "The findings from this research will assist in planning for and preparing the skilled workforce that will drive the green economy."

The LCBS Partnership Project aligns with reThink Green's mission to bring together ideas, partners and resources to build a more sustainable community, and with its vision for a prosperous economy properly balanced and in harmony with the well-being of the global and local environment.

"The economy of the future is an economy where sustainability is built in, not added as an afterthought," commented Scott Florence, Managing Director, reThink Green. "We are excited to be partnering on this project to research the skills required to build a better, low-carbon tomorrow- starting today."

The 2018 Sudbury-Manitoulin Low-Carbon Building Skills Partnership Project is funded by the Government of Ontario. For more information, contact Program Manager

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