## **Niagara Regional Cooperatives by Municipality**

According to the International Co-operative Alliance (ICA), a co-operative is an autonomous association of persons that are voluntarily united to meet economic, social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly-owned and democratically-controlled enterprise. Based around values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity, and solidarity, co-operatives represent a truly democratic business model.

The significance of co-operatives is that they are community-focused businesses that balance the needs of society, the environment, and the economy. Operating as legally incorporated businesses, The Ontario Co-operative Association reports that on top of being a trusted place to do business, twice as many co-operative businesses remain in operation after ten years than conventional business types.

The Niagara Region has an established co-operative sector, however knowledge and an understanding of co-operatives varies throughout the twelve municipalities. In order to help this sector grow, the first step is to generate awareness for our existing co-operatives and begin educating our communities on how they help to provide jobs, security, and foster community development.

For more information about co-operatives in Niagara and the latest news, please visit the Niagara Co-op Network page on Facebook.	
Fort Erie	St. Catharinescontinued
Border Towne Co-operative Homes	Community CarShare
Crystal Beach Co-operative Homes	Country Lane Co-operative Homes
Fort Erie Community Credit Union - Head Office & Garrison Road Branch	Coworking Niagara
Fort Erie Community Credit Union - Jarvis Street Branch	First Ontario Credit Union - Grantham Branch
Fort Erie Co-operative Nursery School	First Ontario Credit Union - Ontario Street Branch
Meridian Credit Union - Fort Erie Branch	First Ontario Credit Union - Pelham Road Branch
Meridian Credit Union - Stevensville Branch	Garden City Food Coop
Sexsmith Farm Co-operative	Garden Village Co-operative Homes
	Greenvale Co-operative Homes
Grimsby	Meadowgreen Co-operative Housing
Child's View Co-operative Child Care Services Corporation	Meridian Credit Union - Grantham Plaza Branch
Grimsby Co-operative Preschool	Meridian Credit Union - Head Office, St. Catharines
Meridian Credit Union - Grimsby Branch	Meridian Credit Union - King Street Branch
Perth Renewable Energy Co-operative	Meridian Credit Union - Lake Street Branch
	Meridian Credit Union - Pendale Plaza Branch
Lincoln	Meridian Credit Union - Ridley Plaza Branch
Beamsville Co-operative Nursery School	Moonstone Co-operative Homes
Meridian Credit Union - Beamsville Branch	Neighbours' Community Co-operative Homes
Meridian Credit Union - Vineland Branch	Niagara Natural Food Co-operative
Niagara Community Power Co-operative	North End Co-operative Pre-School
UPI Energy LP - Vineland	Our Community Food Store
Vineland Co-operative Nursery School	PenFinancial Credit Union - Bunting Branch
Vineland Growers Co-operative - Jordan Station - Head Office	PenFinancial Credit Union - Heritage Branch
Vineyard Co-op Homes	PenFinancial Credit Union - Lake Street Branch
	People's Choice Co-operative Homes
Niagara Falls	Pinecroft Co-operative Homes
Brookside Village Co-operative Homes	Power Glen Early Learning Child Care Centre
Caisse populaire Welland limitée - Niagara Falls	Provincial Alliance Credit Union - St. Catharines Branch
Falls Place Co-operative Homes	Regatta Place Housing Co-op
First Ontario Credit Union - Niagara Falls Branch	St. Stanislaus-St. Casimir's Polish Parishes Credit Union - St. Catharines
Kids Kastle Co-operative Nursery School	Ukrainian Credit Union - St. Catharines Branch
Meridian Credit Union - Drummond & Dunn Branch	UPI Energy LP - St. Catharines
Meridian Credit Union - Kalar & McLeod Branch	Ventura Park Housing Co-op
Meridian Credit Union - Niagara Falls Business Centre and Portage Branch	Village Glen Housing Co-op
Meridian Credit Union - Portage Branch	Watermark Housing Co-op
Niagara Local Food Co-operative Inc.	
Parent Co-operative Preschool International	Thorold
PenFinancial Credit Union - Dorchester Branch	First Ontario Credit Union - Thorold Branch
PenFinancial Credit Union - Huggins Branch	Thorold Community Credit Union
Shriners Creek Co-operative Homes	Thorold Co-operative Nursery School
Skyline Co-operative Homes	
Westwood Place Co-operative Homes (ON)	Wainfleet
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Bluesky Renewable Energy Co-operative	Welland
Creekside Senior Estates Co-operative	All Peoples Co-operative Nursery School
Vineland Growers Co-operative Ltd Virgil	Briar Rose Co-operative Homes
	Caisse populaire Welland limitée
Pelham	First Ontario Credit Union - Regional Office & Niagara Street branch
Centario GreenHouse Vegetable Co-operative	First Ontario Credit Union - Welland Branch
Meridian Credit Union - Fonthill Branch	La Boite A Soleil Co-operative
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Meridian Credit Union - Welland Business Centre and Branch

PenFinancial Credit Union - Head Office & East Main Street Branch

Niagara Peninsula Homes Inc.

St. David's Co-operative Nursery School

West Lincoln Co-operative Nursery School

St. Charles Housing Co-op

Woodrose Housing Co-op

Dove Co-operative Homes

West Lincoln

## Port Colborne

Caisse populaire Welland limitée - Port Colborne Meridian Credit Union - Port Colborne Branch Port Colborne Co-operative Homes

St. Catharines

Agnes MacPhail Women's Co-operative Homes

Arbour Village Co-operative Homes

Caisse populaire Welland limitée - St.Catharines Commonwealth Co-operative Homes

Cornerstone Co-operative Homes

For further information on co-operatives: International Co-operative Alliance

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