

# ACORN

Atlantic Canadian Organic Regional Network











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**Dream of farming?** Learn from the experts—real farmers. There are many amazing farms participating across Canada to choose from. To be eligible, you must be 18 years or older and be able to provide a minimum 8 week commitment.

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## APPRENTICESHIP & MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

ACORN's Grow A Farmer program promotes organic farming as a viable and empowering form of livelihood. With a focus on farmer-to-farmer training, the program intends to cultivate, renew and diversify the organic sector in Atlantic Canada, through the preservation, growth, and use of local knowledge, land and

# What's Next?

- Launch program for application at 2012 ACORN Conference (Nov 22–24 in Charlottetown, PE)
- Host 'Train the Trainer' Session for Host/Mentor Farmers;
- Continue developing Curriculum Learning Outcomes/Beginner Farmer Success Manual
- Organize 'New Farmer Recruitment' Days
- Develop 'Grow A Farmer' Sponsorship Package
- Provincial Sector Overviews to Assess Organic Production
- Fund-raising events/activities
- Spreading the word!

