

CO-OPERATIVE CONSTRUCTIONS

CO-OP BUSINESS PROPOSAL



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Welsh philosopher, humanitarian and social reformer, he has been called the father of the co-operative movement.

1. What is the name of your co-operative?
2. Names of three people involved?
3. Describe your co-operative enterprise idea.
4. How is this a co-operative?
5. Give a detailed description of who you foresee your members to be.
6. What makes your product/service unique and provides advantages for your members? What sets your co-op apart from other business corporations?
7. What are the potential challenges for your business?
8. Define the geographic area your co-op business will serve.
9. Where will the co-op be based? What are the major advantages/disadvantages to your chosen location?
10. What major equipment and/or supplies will be needed during your first two years in business? When will it be needed and what will it cost?
11. How does your group plan on funding your co-op's start-up costs?
12. Is there any potential for partnerships between your co-op and another co-operative? If so, how can your co-operative organization partners benefit your organization? How can yours benefit theirs?
13. How will your co-operative embody each of the seven Co-operative Principles?

