

Transition Town Facilitator Training
“from fossil fuel dependency to resilience”

Vernon’s Sustainable Environment Network Society (SENS) and the Climate Action Network are hosting a Transition Town Facilitator Training workshop March 6 -7, 2010 in Vernon.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION The workshop is part of the international Transition Town movement which originated in the United Kingdom five years ago. [HYPERLINK "http://www.cedworks.com/transition.html"](http://www.cedworks.com/transition.html) www.cedworks.com/transition.html The purpose of the movement and this workshop is to introduce practical skills and knowledge required for communities to adapt to global challenges such as climate change and fossil fuel dependency.

Topics included in the two, full days of learning include:

- the main steps of transition
- initiating a transition group in your community
- building a local awareness of fossil fuel dependency, climate change and the related economic and health issues
- engaging citizens in developing an action plan for your community
- understanding the aspects of transition for those inside and outside the process
- acquiring the knowledge to be able to communicate effectively the “Transition Town” concept

WHO SHOULD ATTEND The workshop is for those wanting to work in their community to develop strategies of resilience and sustainability in response to fossil fuel dependency, climate change and the resulting economic and health issues. In earlier workshops, people involved in permaculture, environment, education, municipal, regional and neighbourhood organizations have rated this workshop very highly. Ideally, you will attend with at least one other person from your community. Working together and supporting each other is important for successful implementation of the Transition Town strategy.

This workshop is mainly intended for the Okanagan/Shuswap/Similkameen region, however those from outside the area are also welcome. We will attempt to provide billets for those outside of the immediate area who wish them. There is convenient motel accommodation close to the workshop venue.

COSTS The cost of the course is \$250-\$300 (the exact amount to be determined shortly). There is a discount of 10% for registration by February 19, 2010. Ideally there will be two or three participants from the same organization or small community. We will offer a 10% discount for the third person. Finally, there are a limited number of bursaries for those whose wealth does not include cash at the moment. We really want you to attend.

REGISTRATION For a registration form and details about the workshop, please email: [HYPERLINK "mailto:transitiontownok@gmail.com"](mailto:transitiontownok@gmail.com) transitiontownok@gmail.com