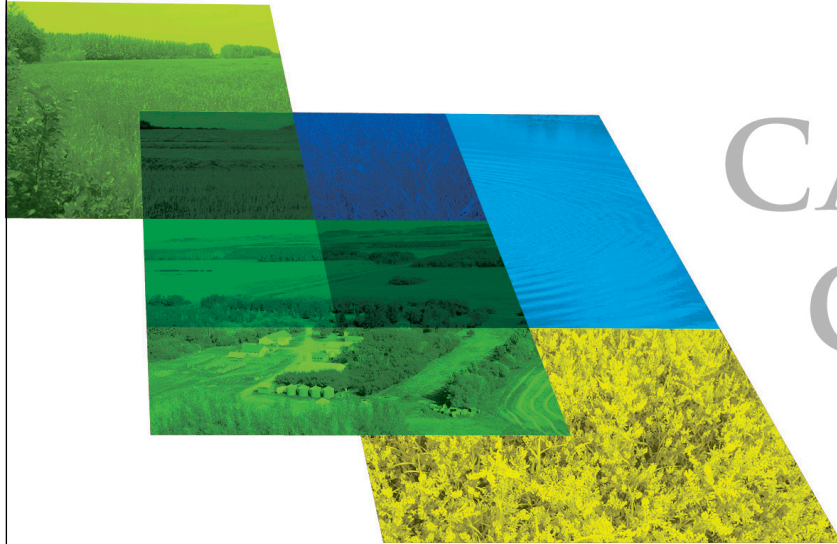




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A PRESENTATION TO
THE NEW FARMERS ROUNDTABLE
FOOD SECURE CANADA CONFERENCE

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Mission: Farmland Legacies holds farmland in trust, links land with farmers and works with other organizations to promote and communicate sustainable values thereby enhancing community life.

»founded 1996

»3000 acres in trust

»7 Saskatchewan properties 2 Alberta properties

»registered charity number 89421 4477 RR0001

based near Wynyard SK

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MAGNITUDE OF THE PROBLEM

- ◆ Farming demographics are disproportionate to other occupations
- ◆ Land values are no longer reflective of their productive value and are a barrier for young farmers trying to start farming
- ◆ The level of off-farm income necessary for many to keep farming is due primarily to the fact that net real income in agriculture declined by 80% from 1973 to 2003
- ◆ The level of debt on farms is growing
- ◆ There are more hungry people worldwide and in Canada despite increased yields and new technologies

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Vision and Philosophy: Farmland Legacies envisions a healthy mix of farms and food. The landscape, with balanced soils and a healthy ecosystem, will be home to farmers of all ages. Farm interests will be diverse and market influence will be shared by many. Farmland Legacies believes in a renewable and secure food system.

The Home Quarter will be a visible model of a more sustainable approach to the current food system.

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OUR APPROACH

- ◆ To work toward systemic change of the current food system using holistic decision making to address challenges faced by beginning farmers
- ◆ Develop “The Home Quarter” as an on-farm model for creating and exploring paths towards a secure food system which means a renewable food system that supports ecological integrity, social responsibility and economic fairness
- ◆ Foster a healthier demographic of farmers on the land
- ◆ Support families in need by delivering high quality products to Saskatchewan food banks