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# North Country Regional Foods Initiative

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Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties and the  
Economic Development Administration University  
Center at Cornell's Community and Rural Development  
Institute (CaRDI)

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# Support from...

- Economic Development Administration University Center:  
Leverage the land-grant model of community outreach and development, intellectual/ technology transfer and commercialization operation to effect economic development in New York State.
- In particular, through:
  - Research
  - Outreach
  - Demonstration

# Why a Regional Approach?

- Provides a critical mass for creating change
- Enables sharing of best practices from one community to another
- Pools resources for more effective marketing
- Builds complementary infrastructure and prevents duplicative services
- Can address gaps in organizational support

# Next steps

Outcomes from today's event...

Ideas, specific strategies

& direct connections

to support local foods for community &

economic development

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