



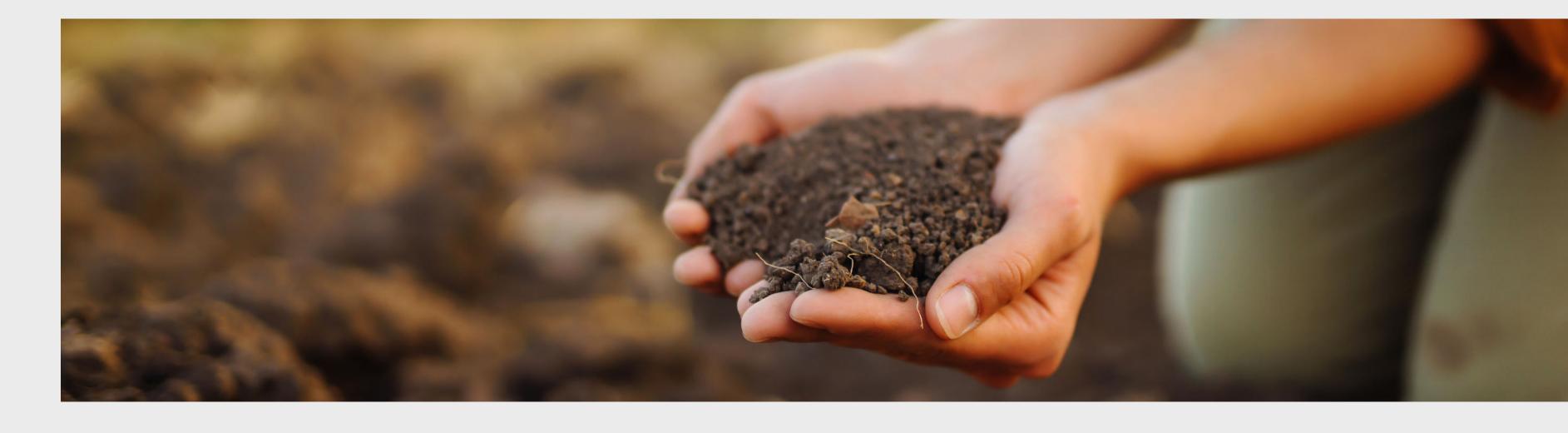
introduction to various programs and resources for agricultural workers currently offered by the provincial and federal government.

If any of the topics discussed pique your interest and you would like to explore them more thoroughly, you can refer to the number in the top right-hand corner that corresponds with a website cited in the final 'References' slide. There is a lot of useful information in these articles that is not presented here for the sake of concision.

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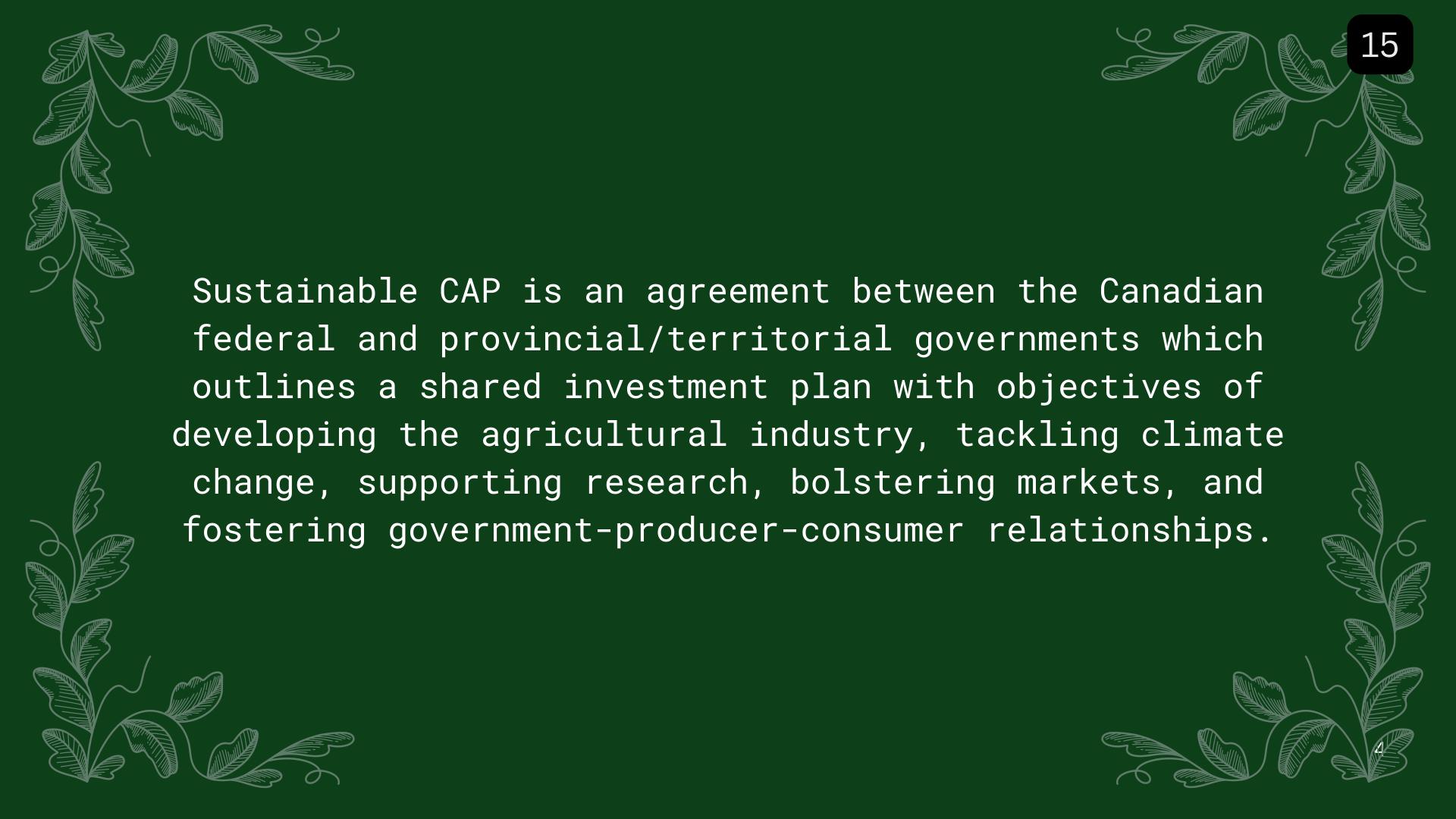
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Sustainable CAP replaced the Canadian Agricultural Partnership in 2023, and will continue to be in effect until 2028.

A unique feature of Sustainable CAP is its emphasis on regional investment and diversification.

The investment put forth in this agreement has primarily gone toward the development of region-specific programs intended to support producers and other members of the agricultural industry.

The following slides will mention some of these programs, however, I recommend referring to the references at the end of the slideshow and doing a bit of research on your own.

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Before diving into the programs, it seems worthwhile to acknowledge the specifics of the provincial-federal dynamic in this agreement.

In terms of investment, the federal government provides 60% of the program funding, and each provincial/territorial government covers the remaining 40%.

Furthermore, the creation and development of these programs is a provincial/territorial duty that is guided along by federal and provincial objectives.



Business Risk Management Programs



Click on the name of the program (e.g., click on "AgriStability") to learn more.

1) <u>AgriStability</u> - Supports producers who are experiencing a severe decline in farm income.

2) <u>AgriInsurance</u> - Helps producers secure insurance (and reinsurance) to protect from the effects of production losses.







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3) <u>AgriInvest</u> - Helps producers open a unique savings account intended to act as a safety net against income fluctuations.

4) <u>AgriRecovery</u> - Supports producers experiencing the effects of natural disasters and aims to mitigate the financial burden this involves.

The second set of programs that is facilitated by Sustainable CAP are all funding opportunities.

These opportunities make use of a "cost-share intake" model, wherein the cost of an initiative developed through this program is shared between the government and the applicant (producer, etc.).



Resilient Agricultural Landscape Program (RALP)

This program allows for producers to gain direct access to funds in order to improve the sustainable operations of their farm, and increase their climate resilience and adaptability.

I would strongly suggest going through their website (as well as those of the programs mentioned on the following slides) on your own as they have many resources to offer including webinars and workshops.



Labour Force Management Strategies Initiative (the Initiative)

This program is intended to assist producers and other agricultural workers in developing a strong labour force through "innovative attraction strategies, recruitment strategies, and retention strategies."



https://www.ontario.ca/page/labour-force-management-strategiesinitiative

Ontario Agri-food Research Initiative (OAFRI)

OAFRI supports agricultural innovation in Ontario based on the second objective of the <u>Grow Ontario Strategy</u>:

- 1) "Strengthen agri-food supply chain stability"
- 2) "Increase agri-food technology and adoption"
- 3) "Attract and grow Ontario's agri-food talent"

Notably, there is an emphasis on involving Indigeneity, traditional knowledge, community-building, and sustainability in this innovative research initiative.

Grow Ontario Accelerator Hub

This is an initiative by OAFRI that supports the Grow Ontario objectives listed in the previous slide.

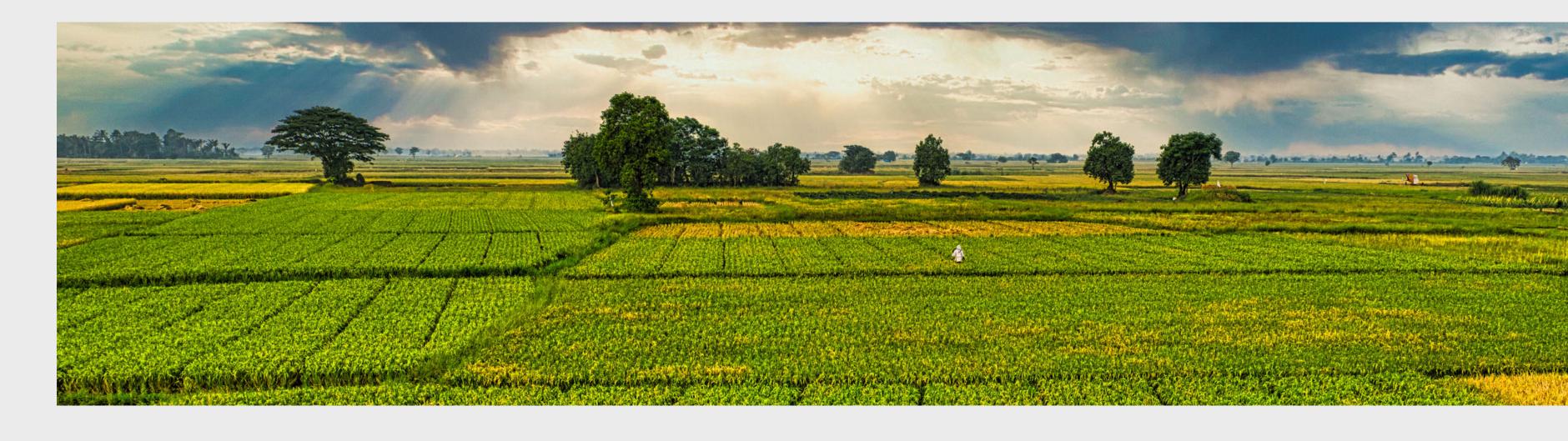
This hub provides "mentoring and advisory services; growth planning; and investment readiness" with the aim of fostering both technological and economic agricultural development.

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The Agriculture Economic Development Program

This program is intended to help producers and agri-business workers develop business strategies that are particular to their locality.

https://www.ontario.ca/page/agriculture-economic-developmentprogram



Though not a part of the Agriculture Economic Development Program, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) has developed a highly complementary resource in partnership with the Ontario Ministry of Rural Affairs (MRA), the **Agriculture and Economic Development Community of Practice.**

The Community of Practice acts similarly to the EOAN by acting as a resource and network for producers in Ontario.

https://ofa.on.ca/communityofpractice/





COMMUNITY FOOD PROGRAM FOR DONATION TAX CREDIT FOR FARMERS

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The Community Food Program seeks to incentivize producer contributions to local food security.

The tax credit that may be received is proportional to 25% of the fair market value of the donated products, and is received on top of the Charitable donation tax credit.





Take a moment to reflect on the programs and initiatives that we have covered in this module.



What specific agricultural issues and areas are being targeted?

How are they being discussed? What rhetoric is used?

Are these initiatives mostly producer or consumer-focused?

What similarities and differences have you observed between these programs and the policies we've covered?



The final, truly invaluable resource that I would like to share with you is <u>AgPal</u>.

This is a web-based resource developed by Agriculture and Agrifood Canada where you can search for programs, services, and information that is relevant to your particular situation.



You've reached the end of Module 9!

We will continue with our discussion by turning our attention to artificial intelligence and big data in agriculture in Module 10.

Please make sure to complete the Module 9 Quiz before moving forward in your learning.

Thank you!



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