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Subject: Nominations Open for ROI's Youth Engagement Showcase

Attention Clerks: This email is intended for Mayors and Councillors. Thank you for passing it along.

Which young leaders are taking charge and tackling important local issues in your community? The Rural Ontario Institute would like to hear from you.

Starting November 2nd, 2015 you have the opportunity to nominate an Engaged Rural Youth – or young adult (under 29) – from your community to be profiled in the Rural Ontario Institute's *Youth Engagement Showcase*.

Through this initiative ROI is looking to:

1. Profile compelling stories of youth engagement
2. Highlight the impact youth can have in their local communities
3. Demonstrate how communities of all shapes and sizes, are successfully engaging and supporting youth in addressing local challenges.

From these nominations, a selection committee will identify 4-8 compelling stories to be profiled through short video documentaries (3-4 minutes each) to be filmed in each nominee's hometown. These documentaries will showcase these individuals' accomplishments and the community of support around them. In addition to these showcase stories, other strong nominations will be considered for ROI's online blog.

For more details on this initiative, and for nomination criteria, please visit the link below.

[Nominate an Engaged Rural Youth Now!](#)

Note: While our focus is on gathering stories of individual youth, we are also interested in hearing about programs or organizations that have successfully promoted/enabled youth engagement in rural Ontario.

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Nomination Link: http://www.ruralontarioinstitute.ca/youth_engagement_showcase.aspx