

Complex Readiness Scoring Worksheet

This resource was produced by NetWork Kansas and shared with the Center for Rural Entrepreneurship. It is a quality example of a complex readiness assessment tool.

We greatly appreciate the partnership of Network Kansas and their contribution to our e2 University resources.

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

Section I: Applying Community:

Scoring:

Section II: E-Community Name

1. Award 1-10 points based on whether the application is a city initiative, county-wide initiative, the population of the community and county, and how these factors may play into the likelihood of impacting the entrepreneurial environment and utilizing the E-Community funds.

Circle the number that corresponds most closely with the factors that impact the entrepreneurial environment and this E-Community's likelihood to utilize funds and be successful.

Section II Total

An initiative which lacks cooperation, collaboration, and would likely result in no usage of E-Community funds.			A moderately collaborative group appropriate for the population but with little proven success of cooperation.				Ideal situation for collaborating to utilize E-Community funds and impact the entrepreneurial environment positively		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
							Subtotal:		
<i>Award 1-2 points if there is additional data that implies likelihood of exceptional community composition and collaboration.</i>								(Optional) +	
Section II E-Community Name Total Points:									

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

Section III: E-Community Fund

2. Existing Fund, New Fund, New Fund that requires fundraising

Section III Total

0-\$50,000	\$50,001-\$100,000	\$100,001-\$125,000+
2	4	6
		Subtotal:
<p><i>Add or subtract 1-2 points if desired based on commitment level and perception of effort to modify the loan process.</i> (Optional) +/-</p>		
Section III Subtotal:		

Fundraising required	Existing fund	New fund/funds earmarked
2	4	6
		Subtotal:
<p><i>Add or subtract 1-2 points if desired based on commitment level and perception of effort to modify the loan process.</i> (Optional) +/-</p>		
Section III E-Community Fund Total Points:		

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

Section IV: E-Community Administrative Support

3. Administrative Support Organization:

Section IV Total

<i>Insufficient progress made</i>	<i>New administrator</i>	<i>Experienced administrator* *is administering another E-Community</i>
0	1	3
Section IV E-Community Administrative Support Total Points:		

Section V: E- Community Description, Leadership Team and Financial Review Board

4. Leadership Team - Award 1-10 points based upon the representation from public and private sector, our meetings with the point person and/or leadership team, and the general feeling of how well this team will work with the community coach, adopt initiatives suggested, and remain engaged.

	<i>A group which is not well represented by public/private sector, has not met actively with the community coach, and which is unlikely to adopt initiatives and be engaged.</i>	<i>A moderately collaborative group representing public/private sector who has met with the community coach and seems reasonably likely to cooperate.</i>	<i>Ideal situation for collaboration with the E-Community Partnership. Broadly representative teams who have been actively engaged with the community coach and seem highly receptive to adopting new initiatives in addition to utilizing funds.</i>						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Section V Question 4: Leadership Team Subtotal:									

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

6. Financial Review Board – Award 1-5 points based upon the makeup of the FRB, with our desire being that it include both bankers and entrepreneurs, and additional community members as make sense. (Assign 1-5 points, 5 being best).

Unbalanced team inappropriate for a financial review board.	Unbalanced team but with appropriate expertise.	3	4	5
1	2	3	4	5
Section V Question 6: Financial Review Board Subtotal:				

7. Point Person - Award 1-5 points based upon the general feeling of this person's knowledge of E-Community, willingness and ability to act as a leader of the initiative, convene meetings, etc...

No point person or a point person who has not demonstrated a willingness and ability to act as leader of the E-Community and shoulder the responsibility of convening meetings, pursuing a vision, etc.	Good point person who lacks knowledge, willingness to act, or another key feature of an ideal leader of an E-Community	Ideal champion for the E-Community who has demonstrated knowledge, willingness and ability to act as a leader, to convene meetings, etc.		
1	2	3	4	5
Section V Question 7: Point Person Subtotal:				

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

Section V Total

Question 4: Leadership Team	
Question 6: Financial Review Board	
Question 7: Point Person	
Section V Total Points:	

Section VI Community Assessment

8. Award 1-20 points based on the leadership capacity, youth engagement, entrepreneurial environment and connectivity to resources sections of the application. A high score means we feel those factors are co-existing in a way to facilitate a flourishing entrepreneurial ecosystem ripe for growth. A lower score means they haven't grown in this area much and need additional prep before they can truly flourish.

Section VI Total

Require additional preparation to flourish as an E-Community										Flourishing entrepreneurial ecosystem.									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Section VI Community Assessment Total Points:																			

Entrepreneurship (E-) Community Partnership Readiness Scoring Worksheet

2012 Partnership Proposal Score

Applying Community:

--

Score:

Section II:	
Section III:	
Section IV:	
Section V:	
Section VI:	
Total:	

Recommendation:

Ready	Missing Elements/May not be ready
--------------	------------------------------------------

Questions & More Information

Don Macke

don@e2mail.org

402-323-7336

www.energizingentrepreneurs.org

The Center for Rural Entrepreneurship's mission is to help community leaders build a prosperous future by supporting and empowering business, social and civic entrepreneurs. With our roots and hearts in rural America, we help communities of all sizes and interests by bringing empowering research, community engagement and strategy development to you through our many Solution Areas. Our **Solution Area Teams** empower communities to discover their own answers to the challenges and opportunities they face:

- **Community Development Philanthropy:** Providing research and community engagement strategies that help communities build philanthropic capacity and create development resources now and in the future.
- **Youth Engagement:** Providing tools and a framework for communities to engage young people now and to bring them home in the future.
- **Measurement Research Policy:** Providing the tools to help communities define development goals, measure success and improve outcomes.
- **Entrepreneurial Communities:** Providing a roadmap for communities to design and deliver entrepreneur-focused economic development strategies that work.

To learn more about us, go to www.energizingentrepreneurs.org.

421 S. 9th Street, Suite 245

Lincoln, NE 68508

(402) 323-7336

©Copyright 2014 Center for Rural Entrepreneurship.

The information contained in this document is the intellectual property of the Center for Rural Entrepreneurship or has been provided by a strategic partner for the Center's use. Use of these materials is restricted to community or personal use unless otherwise approved in writing by the Center. The resale or distribution of this material is prohibited without written permission of the Center. Inclusion of this information in other documents prepared by the user requires written permission by the Center and must include appropriate attribution. For guidance and permission, contact Don Macke at 402-323-7336 or don@e2mail.org.