

# COMMUNITY- UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS CAN IMPROVE FOOD SECURITY



## Together, we built a collaborative food hub.

Since 2009, the Research Shop has worked with a variety of community partners in Guelph-Wellington to explore issues related to food security. While this work initially focused on addressing challenges and gaps in the food provision system, it eventually led to the creation of The Seed Community Food Hub (The Seed). In an effort to reflect on previous work and support future planning, CESI contracted Taylor Newberry Consulting to lead a participatory mapping workshop to identify how campus-community engagement supported the development of The Seed. Findings demonstrated that the Research Shop played an important role in the formation and development of The Seed by providing local research and evidence that guided its work, as well as leveraging connections to funding opportunities and other resources