



Metro Business Opportunities Corp.

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Helping Entrepreneurs Do Business*

#### Special points of interest:

- Paulette King reopens The Ferry Last Stop Café.
- Beth Moores opens Ebb & Flow 2nd Floor of Terrace on the Square
- Jessica Mealey & Katie Burke's Lotis Clothing find success at New York Full Figured Fashion Week

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## MBO, Newest Canadian Youth Business Foundation Community Partner

In early 2010, Metro Business Opportunities (MBO) signed on to be one of the newest community partner of the Canadian Youth Business Foundation (CYBF). This gives MBO one more way to assist its clients in Metro Region to start up and establish small business.

CYBF is a national charity dedicated to championing tomorrow's entrepreneurial nation builders. CYBF delivers the program coast to coast through a collaborative network of likeminded organizations that we call Community Partners (CPs). These organizations are integral to our success and act as the local 'store front'. Along with our more than 3,200 volunteers including business mentors, who champion youth

entrepreneurship in their communities and directly work with young people to guide them through the entire CYBF process to obtain funding and a mentor. The CPs and their volunteer Loan Review Committee (LRC) members are essential to the entrepreneur's success and in preventing outward migration of youth from their respective communities.

Founded in 1996, CYBF has invested in more than 3,600 young people, whose businesses have generated millions in sales tax and export revenues, and created more than 17,000 new jobs.

MBO is excited to be linked to this exciting company and looks forward to a long lasting and

strong relationship with CYBF.

For more information about the CYBF program at MBO, contact Steve Butler at (709)-738-1626 or [sbutler@mboc.ca](mailto:sbutler@mboc.ca).



## Ed/River Kitchen Cabinet Ltd.—EOP Participant

Story taken from the Telegram—Horizons Insert



Two years ago in Goose Bay, Labrador, Ed Lethbridge rebounded from an illness and sprang back with a new focus, taking his passion and skill as a finish carpenter to create Ed/River Kitchen Cabinet Ltd.

He builds cabinets and his

market covers a fair measure of Labrador geography from Goose Bay to Northwest River to the community of Sheshatshui.

He has even expanded into a related venture of home renovation with his son turning it into a family business. With

25 years of experience with wood and the fine things it can create, Ed Lethbridge is certainly doing extremely well for himself.

Contact Ed at (709)-896-9336



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*Since its inception in 1991, Metro Business Opportunities continues to grow and establish itself as a key player in the economic development community serving Newfoundland and Labrador. MBO provides a full spectrum of business and government consulting.*

*Managed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors representing a wide cross section of the region, MBO's success can be attributed to its commitment to the community.*

*Boasting a variety of programs and services, MBO fulfills the goal of its mission statement by utilizing a complement of enthusiastic, creative, and knowledgeable staff whose goal it is to help entrepreneurs do business.*

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## Three MBO Clients Named Finalists for the CBDC Business of the Year Distinction Award

Metro Business Opportunities would like to congratulate this year's recipient of the Community Business Development Corporation Business of Distinction Award - Jeff LeDrew of Jumping Bean Coffee.

MBO would also like to congratulate the three other finalists for the award, all of which are MBO clients. Scott Randell of Shed City, Michelle Collins of Rooms Come True, and Rick Penney of Penney Polycoatings.

Jim Reid (Executive Director), Bernadette Coady, Michael J. Evoy, Linda James, and Steve Butler (Development Officers), and Lisa Guy (Administrative Assistant)

