

## Community Resource Worksheet

**Adapted from: NRCS (2004) *Taking the First Step: Farm and Ranch Alternative Enterprise and Agritourism Resource Evaluation Guide*. Appendix B-23.**

Review these questions with the Chamber of Commerce, visitor's bureau, small business groups and economic development organizational leaders in your community.

1. What is your current membership and level of involvement in community business, farm and ranch organizations?
2. Are you involved with any organizations that support locally owned businesses related to agriculture?
3. Are there organizations that you should consider joining?
4. What are the small business programs that support entrepreneurs and new enterprises in your community?
5. What will the effect of your new enterprise be on your community?
6. Are there partnerships that can be formed that will support your new enterprises?
7. Identify community seasonal activities, fairs, or festivals that support farm and ranch enterprises in your area.
8. What is the adequacy of transportation, lodging and dining facilities, medical facilities, security services and other community amenities in your area?
9. What is the condition and adequacy of the road to your farm or ranch? Will your new enterprises require improvements or a higher level of maintenance?