



2021 Outreach Specialist Meetings



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| April 29 | 9:30-11 | Zoom Virtual Meeting |
| June 3 | 9:30-11 | Greene County CTC New Building |
| July 20 | 9:30-11 | Preble County, TBD |
| August 20 | 9:30-11 | Montgomery County TBD |
| October 13 | 9:30-11 | Darke County TBD |
| December 16 | 9:30-11 | Miami County, TBD |

The BusinessFirst! Program uses a customer-oriented approach to link businesses with resources that help businesses stay and grow in the community. The BusinessFirst! Team is a coordinated group of more than 100 economic, community, workforce development and government agencies that are ready to assist firms in meeting their corporate objectives.

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Restaurant Revitalization Fund



U.S. Small Business
Administration

This program provides emergency assistance for eligible restaurants, bars, and other qualifying businesses impacted by COVID-19.

The American Rescue Plan Act established the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) to provide funding to help restaurants and other eligible businesses keep their doors open. This program will provide restaurants with funding equal to their pandemic-related revenue loss up to \$10 million per business and no more than \$5 million per physical location. Recipients are not required to repay the funding as long as funds are used for eligible uses no later than March 11, 2023.

[Please click here for program details.](#)

Who can apply?

Eligible entities who have experienced pandemic-related revenue loss include:

- Restaurants
- Food stands, food trucks, food carts
- Caterers
- Bars, saloons, lounges, taverns
- Snack and nonalcoholic beverage bars
- Bakeries (onsite sales to the public comprise at least 33% of gross receipts)
- Brewpubs, tasting rooms, taprooms (onsite sales to the public comprise at least 33% of gross receipts)
- Breweries and/or microbreweries (onsite sales to the public comprise at least 33% of gross receipts)
- Wineries and distilleries (onsite sales to the public comprise at least 33% of gross receipts)
- Inns (onsite sales of food and beverage to the public comprise at least 33% of gross receipts)
- Licensed facilities or premises of a beverage alcohol producer where the public may taste, sample, or purchase products

Allowable uses of funds

Funds may be used for specific expenses including:

- Business payroll costs (including sick leave)
- Payments on any business mortgage obligation
- Business rent payments (note: this does not include prepayment of rent)
- Business debt service (both principal and interest; note: this does not include any prepayment of principal or interest)
- Business utility payments
- Business maintenance expenses
- Construction of outdoor seating
- Business supplies (including protective equipment and cleaning materials)
- Business food and beverage expenses (including raw materials)
- Covered supplier costs
- Business operating expenses

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Retention and continued development of your top talent is an essential component in ensuring your organization has a competitive advantage in today's evolving business landscape. The University of Dayton Center for Leadership makes it easy for your organization to develop high potentials with our comprehensive Emerging Leader certificate program. This year-long program is structured to develop and refine your top performers' confidence, in-demand leadership skills, and business acumen. This cohort certificate program is ideal for top performers and current managers who are ready for expanded responsibility or a new leadership role.



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- Leading Change
- Accounting & Finance
- Operations Management
- Strategic Management

Currently accepting applications for the Emerging Leader fall cohort kicking off on August 12. For a complete schedule and course description visit [Emerging Leader Certificate](#).

[Apply Now!](#)

Manufacturing Scholarship Opportunity

Emerging Leader certificate program scholarship support available for small/medium (<800 employees) manufacturers through [Fastlane](#) for those who qualify.

Contact April Mescher at 937-229-2664 or amescher1@udayton.edu to discuss your ideal candidate.



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Coming Right Up!
Help is here.

Getting back to business
with the Restaurant
Revitalization Fund
sba.gov/restaurants



The SBA began accepting applications for the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) on Monday, May 3. In the [first two days of the RRF application window](#), the SBA has received:

- 186,200 applications from restaurants, bars, and other eligible businesses in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and five U.S. Territories.
- 97,600 applications of which came from restaurants, bars, and other eligible businesses owned and controlled by women (46,400), veterans (4,200), socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (30,800), or some combination of the three (16,200).
- 61,700 applications from businesses with under \$500,000 in annual pre-pandemic revenue, representing some of the smallest restaurants and bars in America.

The SBA is still accepting applications. For more information and how to apply, visit sba.gov/restaurants.



The SBA is currently offering PPP loans originated only by participating community financial institutions including Certified Development Companies (CDCs), SBA Microlenders, Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs), and Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs) until May 31, 2021 or until remaining funds are exhausted. Please note that not all community financial institutions are participating in PPP.

[Learn more](#)



PUBLIC PRIVATE
STRATEGIES
— INSTITUTE —

SBA and Public Private Strategies Institute are providing several educational opportunities for you to learn more about programs that will help your business get back on track. On **Tuesday, May 11 at 1pm ET**, the Office of International Trade will present [a webinar](#) on programs that could help your business grow by connecting

you with international trade opportunities.

Join SBA, Public Private Strategies Institute, and other stakeholders to hear about:

- Steps you can take now to connect to the Office of International Trade
- What SBA exporting assistance programs your business may qualify for
- International trade success stories

[Register for the webinar](#)



May is World Trade Month and the SBA has teamed up with partnering organizations to offer webinars all month to help small business owners gain valuable insights on strategies for international sales success. All webinars begin at 2:00 p.m. EDT.

- **May 12** | SBA Support for Commercializing Innovation | [Register here](#)
 - **May 18** | Going Global with Trade Agreements | [Register here](#)
 - **May 20** | Utilizing eCommerce Tools to Drive Global Sales | [Register here](#)
 - **May 25** | Business Beyond Borders: Commemorating World Trade Month | [Register here](#)
 - **May 27** | Logistics of Growing Global eCommerce | [Register here](#)
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Shuttered Venue Operators Grant



Apply at sba.gov/svogrant



The SBA is currently accepting applications for the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant. To submit an application, visit sba.gov/svogrant.

Asian American & Pacific Islander *Heritage Month*



Save the date! The SBA will host an online panel discussion on May 27, 2021 with Asian American/Pacific Islander-owned small businesses as they share their small business stories and how they pivoted during the pandemic and utilized SBA's critical financial lifelines.

The SBA will also share resources available to help AAPI entrepreneurs launch new businesses, compete in the marketplace, and connect with the training and funding opportunities to help recover and rebuild.

Registration will be available soon.



Be Inspired: Small Business Success Story

During Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we're highlighting inspiring people like Lisa Chin who are making a big impact on the economy and their communities.

In 1988, a group of Seattle-based social workers founded the nonprofit organization Treehouse on the belief that kids in foster care deserve a community that is committed to their success. Funded by bake sales and car washes, they started small, purchasing little things such as birthday presents and school supplies.

[Learn more](#)



Webinar: How to Market Your Federal Contract

May 13 | 2:00 p.m. EDT

There are many opportunities available in the federal procurement market. Developing a federal marketing and sales strategy can help you achieve success in the federal sector. Join the U.S. General Services Administration for a webinar about tips on creating a federal marketing strategy.

[Register](#)



Beware of Malicious COVID-19 Phishing

Protect yourself from identity theft and fraud during pandemic recovery.

Confirm any SBA disaster assistance emails by contacting **(800) 659-2955**, TTY **(800) 877-8339**, or **disastercustomerservice@sba.gov**.

Avoid scams and fraud, visit **sba.gov/COVIDfraudalert**

 U.S. Small Business Administration

The SBA recently launched the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant and Restaurant Revitalization Fund. Bad actors may take this opportunity to impersonate lenders or government officials in emails, robocalls, social media accounts and phony websites. Their goal is to attract victims and commit fraud, scams and schemes. The result is financial or personally identifiable information (PII) loss for the victims.

As a reminder, the SBA directly communicates from email addresses ending in **@sba.gov**. The SBA also communicates via email updates/notifications using an email marketing platform, (the same one you are receiving this newsletter from). Those emails end in **@updates.sba.gov**.

If you applied for the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant and emailed the SVOG Support Center, you may receive an email back from a **zendesk.com** account. This is an authorized SBA contractor.

If you are being contacted by someone claiming to be from the SBA who is not using an official SBA email address, you should suspect fraud. To report potential fraud, visit sba.gov/covidfraudalert.



COVID-19.

Federal Coronavirus Resources

State, local, and federal agencies are working together to maintain the safety, security, and health of the American people. Check out coronavirus.gov for updates from the White House's COVID-19 Task Force. Go to cdc.gov for detailed information about COVID-19 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Visit covid-sb.org, the official federal resource website for U.S. small businesses affected by

[Learn more about the federal government's response](#)



Virtual Mentoring and Training

Offices around the country may be closed due to the pandemic, but SCORE, Small Business Development Centers, Women's Business Centers, Veterans Business Outreach Centers and other resource partners are providing free business mentoring and training by phone, email, and video.

[Find an SBA resource partner near you](#)

Join the SBA Team:

Employment opportunities
to support SBA's COVID-19
pandemic response



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June 1-4 - The Square Is Where:

Kickoff to Summer Week

Courthouse Square, Third & Main sts.; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Summer sunshine and heat has arrived in downtown Dayton! Join us for a week of special events during the **Kickoff to Summer** at The Square Is Where, featuring special entertainment, activities and giveaways!

The fun includes:

Tuesday, June 1 - Trivia Tuesday with DagaTrivia. Grab a team for your chance to win gift cards and the Trivia Trophy!

Wednesday, June 2 - Kickoff to Summer celebration party! Music from Liffoff Entertainment, free Barre workout class with Space Three gym, prize packs including \$10 Downtown Dollars e-gift cards, Robbin Marks Magic, and more!

Thursday, June 3- Cornhole tournament and live music from Joseph Glenn

Friday, June 4 - Fridays Live, featuring Berachah Valley



June 3 - Mad Tree Brewing & Lily's Midwest Luau

[Lily's Dayton](#), 329 E. Fifth St. 5:30-11 p.m.

Celebrate Lily's 8 year birthday and the launch of Mad Tree brewing's newest beer with a five course beer dinner! Each course is paired with one of Mad Tree's awesome craft beers, and Lily's will be making some beer cocktails and playing some surf rock tunes too! Jacob from Mad Tree will be on site talking about the beers and former Bar Manager and pal Amber Brady will be present talking about the beer too! The 5:30pm seating is \$60 and includes 5 courses, 5 beer pairings, tax, and tip. The 8:00pm seating is \$75 and includes live music from TEAM VOID as well as fire spinning by longtime friend of Lily's Jess Fecke.

[Tickets and more info.](#)



OPEN* BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

1ELEVEN FLAVOR HOUSE

Get to know 1Eleven Flavor House in our OPEN* Business Spotlight!

In this series, we profile some of the small businesses that make downtown great! We ask a series of questions about each business, letting them tell you about themselves in their own words, including their background, what services they offer, how they're responding to the pandemic challenges, and more. It's a great way to learn more about your favorite businesses, or discover a new spot you may not be familiar with yet.

This week we learn about a new downtown restaurant where everything from the food to the decor to the music represents one thing... flavor.



[Click here to read about 1Eleven Flavor House](#)

Submit your events for inclusion in this e-newsletter and our online calendar!

We know that more and more of our downtown businesses have begun to reopen, expand hours, or find creative ways to host events in person or online in recent weeks.

If you are holding an event downtown that is open to the public, be sure to submit it to us for consideration to be included not only in these weekly emails, but also in our online calendar of downtown events! We're happy to help you promote it.

You can submit your event via our website with the simple online form [here](#).

DOWNTOWN EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Spring & Summer - Out on 5th

*Fifth Street in the Oregon District;
Fridays 5-10 p.m.,
Saturdays & Sundays noon-10 p.m.*

Out on 5th returns to the Oregon District! **Fifth Street will close to vehicular traffic between Patterson Boulevard and Wayne Avenue on weekends**, to create a pedestrian mall in the Oregon District with increased service areas for bars, restaurants, and retailers, and increased space for the public to enjoy. The weekend closures will feature entertainment, special sales events, and amenities to elevate the guest experience. **Out on 5th** will continue every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through the spring and summer months. For more information, click [here](#).

Thru May 29 - SQZ Wine Tasting

*[Deaf Monty's Wine](#), 22 Brown St.;
4-8 p.m.*

This weekend's flight features the variety of flavors of SQZ Wines (which are wines made from fermented lemons). These wines come in Original Lemon, Lemon Grass, Key Lime, Cranberry and Peach. We will be offering a flight of 4 two ounce pours for \$5 to help you celebrate your Memorial Day Weekend. Once you fall in love, you can buy a 12 ounce Mason Jar of your favorite flavor to go for \$5, or a 4-pack for \$19 (and you can mix and match the flavors of your 4-pack!) [daytonwinebar.com](#).

Thru May 29 - Azaman: A Mixed-Media Art Exhibit about Time

[K12 Gallery for Young People & TEJAS](#), 341 S. Jefferson St.; call for times.
Azaman began with experimenting with mixed-media collage, paint, & Arabic script. The collection has grown, expanded, & somewhat shifted. Today, there are 12 full-sized pieces & 16 smaller pieces. The idea is to layer concepts, scripts, images and colors, all while reflecting on an aspect of time. Artist Reception: Thursday, April 29, 2021, 6-8pm.

Thru May 30 - Dayton Dragons vs. Quad Cities River Bandits

[Day Air Ballpark](#), 220 N. Patterson Blvd.;

Thru July 17- Inaugural Exhibitions in the New Dayton Arcade Space

*[The Contemporary Dayton](#),
25 W. Fourth St.; call for times.*

The Contemporary Dayton presents its Inaugural Exhibitions in the new galleries at the Dayton Arcade. Zachary Armstrong's *Grids & Abstracts* uses newly designed wallpaper, large paintings, prints, and other elements, transforming the gallery into a massive collage in black, white, and gray using lines, grids, found and created images. Globally recognized filmmaker, artist, and teacher, Cauleen Smith, and her video *Remote Viewing* uncovers a true story about a boy who watched the whites in his town attempt to obliterate every trace of the black community's history. *Love & Peace* is an exhibition of art by the late Curtis Barnes, Sr. [More info](#).

Thru July 31 - Exhibit: We're Doing It All Wrong

*[Edward A. Dixon Gallery](#),
131 N. Ludlow St.*

The Edward A. Dixon Gallery presents artworks that shine light on some of the human issues that plague us. Free, open weekends. [eadgallery.com](#).

Thru August 15 - Exhibit: The Roaring (And The Quiet) 1920s

*[Dayton Art Institute](#),
456 Belmonte Park North; call for times
11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays,
noon-5 p.m. Sundays*

The 1920s were a tumultuous decade of remarkable highs and crushing economic lows. In America, women voted, jazz flourished, Lindbergh flew across the Atlantic and alcohol sales ceased. America experienced unprecedented economic growth, and social and intellectual energy while public enthusiasm soared... until the Crash of 1929. This exhibition draws on the DAI collection to look at artistic achievements during this dramatic decade.

Thru September 12 - Exhibit: Changing Times: Art of the 1960s

*[Dayton Art Institute](#),
456 Belmonte Park North; call for times
11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays,
noon-5 p.m. Sundays*

May 29 - An Evening with Stringus Khan

*[Yellow Cab Tavern](#), 700 E. Fourth St.,
7:30 p.m.*

Just off their Cincinnati River Front Live performance, enjoy this encore performance by the always wonderful Stringus Khan at The Yellow Cab Tavern! Cover starts at 7:30pm with music starting at 8:30pm on May 29th!. Tickets are \$7 presale and \$10 at the doors. Presale tickets are available [here](#). Yellow Cab's resident trucks, The Pizza Bandit and Drunken Waffle will be set up and serving through 10pm.

May 30 - Painting with the Pizza Bandits

*[Yellow Cab Tavern](#), 700 E. Fourth St.,
4:30 p.m.*

Join the Pizza Bandits and Dippin' Fun for a painting party for everyone to create their version of this pleasure induced racoon eating on a slice of BIG tasty pie he presumably just stole. Dippin' Fun will be bringing all of the supplies needed and will walk us all through the steps to recreate this masterpiece while you enjoy creative inspiration from actual pizza and drinks from the bar on our patio! Tickets are \$35 in advance and limited to 20 attendees.

June 1-August 31 - Great Miami Riverway Summer Challenge

It's time to get out and go! The Great Miami Riverway has just the thing to inspire you to explore the region, have some fun, and win prizes along the way. The Summer Challenge is the Riverway's new regional passport program, available only on the new Great Miami Riverway app. To play, download the Riverway app from the Apple App Store or Google Play and create an account. Complete an activity from the Riverway Summer Challenge and then check that item off your list on the app. For an extra chance to win, post a photo on social media with #riverwaychallenge. The more you explore, the more chances you have to win in the Summer Challenge.

June 2 - Zensday Meditation with Kaye

Online

Join your favorite yoga teacher, Kaye, as she leads a virtual yoga session each ZENSDAY at 6 pm over Zoom. Make a donation and get

2:05 p.m. Sunday, 7:05 p.m. all other days. It's time to root, root, root for the home team once again! See the Dayton Dragons play baseball at Day Air Ballpark. For ticket availability, 2021 season schedule and more info, visit daytondragons.com.

Thru June 30 - BRIDGES

[Dayton Metro Library - Main Library](#),

215 E. Third St.; 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Tues, Thurs., and Saturdays.

There are so many things that divide a community, but what brings people together? Artist Leesa Haapapuro explores this question with BRIDGES, a collaborative art installation she will construct at the Dayton Metro Library, May 1-June 30. For more information, visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org or call 463-2665.

Thru July 11 - Exhibit: Looking at Family: Photographs from the Collection

[Dayton Art Institute](#),

456 Belmonte Park North; call for times
11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays,
noon-5 p.m. Sundays

Artists often find inspiration close to home. This exhibition, pulled from the Dayton Art Institute's photography collection, presents a range of artworks in which artists analyze concepts of family, love and relationships, many of whom used family members and close friends as their muses and models. Artists included are Harry Callahan, Emmet Gowin, Sally Mann, Jane Reece, Edward Weston and a recent acquisition of an image by Dayton photographer Amy Powell, among others.

This DAI exclusive exhibition presents a look at one of the most transformative and often turbulent decades the world has ever experienced, the 1960s. The visual arts of the decade reflect the social and political movements of the era, seen in diverse styles of Pop, Op, Minimalism and Conceptual art, and artists working in abstract styles responded to the influences of earlier artists. Drawing on the museum's extensive collection and featuring art from Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein, Jim Dine, Aka Pereyma, Robert Motherwell, Gene Davis, Sol LeWitt and many others.

May 28 & 29 - The Most Offensive Show on Earth

[Wiley's Comedy Joint](#), 101 Pine St.;
8 p.m. Friday, 7:15 & 9:30 p.m. Saturday.
Come see some of the country's funniest comedians. As seen on Real TV, Travel Channel, Comedy Central and more! This is a show you don't want to miss! Find more informaton on the website [here](#).

May 29 - Outdoor Market

[2nd Street Market](#), 600 E. Second St.;
9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Five Rivers MetroParks' 2nd Street Market will reopen its outdoor market so the public can buy fresh produce, meat, and dairy from local farmers. The Market will be open only on Saturdays from 9 AM to 1 PM, rain or shine. All shoppers will be required to wear face coverings that cover their mouth and nose to protect the health and safety of the Market's staff, vendors and volunteers, as well as their own health and safety. Those who would like to shop from local farmers but would prefer to do so online can access links to Market vendors' websites and social media pages at metroparks.org/localfood.

a link to an hour-long class each week. More info on the [Dayton International Peace Museum Website](#).

June 2 - Trivia with a Twist

[Lock 27](#), 329 E. First St.; 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Enjoy Trivia with a Twist in the Lock 27 Downtown Dayton Brewpub. Every Wednesday this summer except for Wednesdays that the Dragons have a home game! facebook.com/Lock27Brewing. Free.

June 3- PNC Tiny Thursdays at Home

Online.

Are you a toddler with an awesome parent/grandparent/caregiver who likes to take you to fun, creative weekday programs? Join The Dayton Art Institute on Thursdays for the popular child and caregiver preschool program, PNC Tiny Thursdays. Ages 2-5 and a caregiver (baby siblings welcome) are invited for story time, a gallery visit and a make-and-take art project. Every month features a different theme, and each week investigates new stories and DAI collection artworks. [More info](#).

June 3 - Showcase Thursday

[Yellow Cab Tavern](#), 700 E. Fourth St.,
6:30 p.m.

Yellow Cab Tavern's weekly showcase returns! Come enjoy some free live music from local artists.

Support Our Local Small Businesses When They Need You the Most!

The pandemic has been hard on all of us. So much of what we consider normal has changed, and we've all had to find ways to adapt. In downtown Dayton, the pandemic has been especially difficult for our great collection of independent small businesses who provide the products and services we love. We encourage you to continue to support these local businesses during this difficult time in any way you can. They're the backbone of our community, and they need our support more than ever.

If you miss your favorite local, independent businesses, check out our lists of what's OPEN*. We've put together a list of downtown [restaurants](#) with **carry out**, **curbside pickup**, or **delivery** services, as well as those open **outdoor or indoor**. Many of our [retail and service businesses](#) also have found creative ways to continue doing what they do. Check out virtual experiences and other ways to stay busy and have fun with our [OPEN* - Things to Do](#) page!

Now, more than ever, it's a great time to support local businesses and Be Downtown.



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**FISHING
CHALLENGE**

Family-Friendly VIRTUAL Tournament
Early Bird Rate Ends June 1st

Catch the Early Bird Rate!

GREAT Miami Smallmouth Bass Fishing Challenge

It's back! Register now for a virtual, family-friendly fishing tournament - the Riverway Fishing Challenge is June 15 - July 15. Register by May 31 to get the Early Bird Rate of only \$15.

The Great Miami Riverway and the National Association of Professional River Anglers (NAPRA) have announced the second GREAT Smallmouth Bass Fishing Challenge to be held on the Great Miami River from June 15 - July 15. This fishing event is a family-friendly, catch-and-release virtual tournament where anglers will utilize the I-Angler app to register and send in their catches.

“Fishing is a great social distancing activity during this time of coronavirus,” said Pete Ziehler, NAPRA’s president. “We hope people take advantage of this family-friendly activity to get out on the Great Miami River, whether they’re fishing from a bank, wading, or on a watercraft.”

The tournament is open to all ages. Registration is \$25, but only \$15 if you enter on or before June 1st. Prizes will be awarded in six categories:

Awards include:

1. Top Slam: The total length of your 5 largest Smallmouth Bass - \$100 gift card
 2. Biggest Smallmouth Bass (based on length) - \$50 gift card
 3. 12 and under (Angler’s age before June 15) Biggest Smallmouth Bass (based on length) - \$50 gift card
 4. Top 5 bag get entered into random prize drawing (Fishing Gear valued at \$200+)
 5. Top 5 (total catches) MOST fish logged get entered into a random prize drawing (Fishing Gear valued at \$100+)
 6. First 5 logged fish get entered into a random prize drawing (Fishing Gear valued at \$50+)
- Gift Cards from Fisherman’s Quarters
 - St. Croix Fly Rod from Ohio Fly By Knight Guide Service
 - Orvis Encounter Fly Rod and other gear from ReelFlyRod

The Great Miami River is Ohio's best river for catching smallmouth bass, according to the number of smallmouth trophy fish registered on Ohio's Fish Ohio database, the Ohio Department of Natural Resource program for recognizing significant catches for all species caught in Ohio waters.



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Project Enginuity

Informational Webinar June 3, 2021

Hosted By: Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce

Project Enginuity was designed to accelerate and empower Black, Latinx and women innovators led by the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce's Minority Business Partnership (DACC MBP) in collaboration with the Entrepreneurs' Center (EC) and support from Chase. Program participants receive expert training, which supports their application for necessary funding via Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) awards. Businesses that receive non-duluitive capital from SBIR are able to explore their technological potential, profit from commercialization and build long-term wealth.

- Register for the informational webinar: [Project Enginuity \(6/3/2021\)](#)
- For more information visit the website: <https://projectenginuity.com/>



June 3rd, 2021 9:30 AM
Greene County Career Center
532 Innovation Drive, Xenia, OH 45385
[RSVP for the Zoom Meeting Here](#)

9:30 | **Welcome & Introductions** Steve Brodsky, City of Xenia

Resource Partner Highlights

9:40 | **Sinclair Workforce & Strategic Initiatives** Greg Wasmund, Sinclair
9:55 | **Greene County Public Library Resources** Karl Colon, GCPL Director

Host Community Updates

10:05 | **Eric Henry, Greene County Development**
Steve Brodsky, City of Xenia

Discussion Topic

10:20 | **What housing trends and needs are you seeing in your community?**

Progress Update

10:35 | **Business Walks and Roundtables** Dan Bish, Montgomery County
10:40 | **2021 Goals & Metrics** Gwen Eberly, Montgomery County
10:45 | **Adjourn** Steve Brodsky, City of Xenia

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, July 20, 9:30-11AM** in Preble County, TBD.

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Door 2

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Visitor Parking

Student Parking

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The Future is Regionalism.



IEDC's 2021 Virtual Economic Future Forum June 7th and 8th, 2021

The Future is Regionalism: this year, the virtual Future Forum will focus on problem solving and navigating in a post COVID-19 environment. As our country and economies begin to recover, support and collaboration with our regional partners is more important than ever. [Register](#) today!

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Why Greater Spokane is the Premier Example of Regionalism



- 41st of 100 top 100 Best Places to Live - *Livability*, 2019
- 25 Best Cities for families to visit in the country - *TripAdvisor*, 2018

- **#58 of 200 Metro Areas Best Places for Business and Careers** - Forbes, 2018
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PROGRAM PREVIEW

[Diversifying Your Supply Chains for Resilience](#)

Tuesday, June 8

4:00 - 5:30 PM EST

The dramatic impact of the Covid-19 crisis, and the unprecedented national public and private response it evoked, has led to a broadly shared understanding of the need to restore our productive capabilities, and the important role that state and local economic development organizations have in achieving this goal. The Biden Administration's Build Back Better plan, the American Recovery Act, and the American Jobs Act present an ambitious set of strategic, policy, programmatic and investment initiatives. To describe the Administration's economic development and manufacturing policies, key representatives from the Biden Administration will join us for an engaging discussion on the steps needed to diversify our supply chains.



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E-Commerce

**Monday, June 7
1:30 - 2:30 PM EST**

With the ongoing shift from brick-and-mortar to online shopping, workers displaced by traditional retail or other affected industries may be able to transition their skills to e-commerce fulfillment centers. This realm will see continued job growth for the foreseeable future, and while many common skills can easily transfer to fulfillment center positions, the working conditions might be even more favorable than in other industries. Additionally, how are large fulfillment centers partnering with local communities in supporting small business growth.



Jeff Kline
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Inclusive Policy Development

Monday, June 7
12:15 - 1:15 PM EST

Open and inclusive policy making is transparent, evidence-driven, accessible and responsive to as wide a range of citizens as possible. It strives to include a diverse number of voices and views in the policy-making process, including marginalized population groups. While inclusive policy making enhances transparency, accountability and public participation and builds civic capacity, it also offers a way for governments to improve their policy performance by working with citizens, community organizations, businesses and other stakeholders to deliver concrete improvements in policy outcomes and the quality of economic development services.



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Agribusiness; Beer, Bordeaux, and Buds

Monday, June 7
1:30 - 2:30 PM EST

In 2020, agribusiness was one of the only sectors that managed to grow, even in the midst of the pandemic. Much of the positive results for beer, bordeaux, and buds was due to investment in technology. The speed of implementation of innovations in the sector has grown more and more, bringing increases in productivity and process efficiency. New technologies and improved solutions should further contribute to the achievement of digital agriculture.



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The Future of Industry Roundtables

Tuesday, June 8
1:30 - 2:30 PM EST

Participate in intimate discussions moderated by industry experts and practitioners. The roundtable discussions are an opportunity for you to get together with like-minded attendees in an informal setting to examine issues as they relate to the table topic.

Aerospace

It's impossible to perfectly predict the next 30 years. Drones will deliver packages across the country. Artificial Intelligence will be widespread. Air Taxis will be a part of everyday commutes. Supersonic flights will get passengers around the world in half the time. There's even the potential to tour the stars aboard a commercial spacecraft. What's next for aerospace and how do we develop a talent pool, supply chain, and business support.



Robin Toth

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Biotechnology and Life Sciences

From new drugs that address our medical needs and fight epidemics and rare diseases, to industrial processes that use renewable energy and crops that are able to grow in harsh climatic conditions and ensure safe and affordable food, biotech will pay economic, social and environmental dividends.



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“Bridging” the Financial Gap With Regional Public-Private Partnerships

Tuesday, June 8
2:45 - 3:45 PM EST

As State highway funding becomes more constrained, and as the need for highly efficient regional transportation systems continues to grow, many transportation professionals believe the role of the private sector will increase. Join this session and learn strategies for coupling private capital and private initiatives with public transportation efforts for better regional infrastructure.



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What is the EDP?

The EDP is a brand-new credential designed to build the capacity of those supporting entrepreneurship in their communities. Through real-world experience, training courses, and testing, EDPs show that they have what it takes to help their communities thrive in this unprecedented time and beyond. Simply put, it's an essential piece of your professional development future.



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Second Chance Hiring for Manufacturers

Manufacturers are well-positioned to lead in welcoming people into their workforce who are ready and willing to develop their skills and seize the second chance for a promising career.

Join The Manufacturing Institute on Thursday, June 10th at 2 PM EDT, for a webinar on **Second Chance Hiring for Manufacturers**. This program will be directly targeted to an audience of manufacturing and community leaders like yourself—those who have an interest in starting, enhancing or sustaining their current second chance hiring efforts.



June 10th, 2021

Thursday

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Virtual Event

Join us to learn more about Second Chance Hiring

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Overview



What You'll Learn

The webinar that will feature experts who will discuss the business case and best practices for second chance hiring. The discussion will focus on key steps leading experts suggest in hiring and retaining individuals with a criminal record.

America's economic future requires an all-of-the-above workforce strategy. With over 500,000 job openings currently in manufacturing, finding and recruiting talent continues to be a top concern for manufacturers.

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How to Join



About the Second Chance Program

Partnering with Stand Together, and with a grant from the Charles Koch Institute, the Manufacturing Institute is enabling industry to grow the modern manufacturing workforce while closing the opportunity gap. Through roundtable discussions, webinars, C-suite leadership events, case studies and research, the Manufacturing Institute is helping manufacturers navigate second chance hiring and best practices.

If you are interested in learning about second chance hiring, register today.

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Smart Mobility & Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) industries Virtual B2B Expo: June 14-18, 7am-12pm

The U.S. Commercial Service will offer B2B meetings connecting U.S. exporters to overseas buyers, distributors, partners, multipliers & foreign government procurement contacts recruited by U.S. Embassy Industry Experts in 24 countries.

Starting June 14th, this 1/2-day, week-long event will help you build dynamic business relationships from your desktop, explore new markets, and identify potential export sales leads immediately!

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Policy Summit 2021: Pathways to Economic Resilience in Our Communities

Free Virtual Conference: June 23-25, 2021

Policy Summit is a regional conference that explores solutions at the practitioner and policy levels to challenges that low- and moderate-income communities face. The biennial multi-day event offers its audience of researchers, academics, practitioners, and policymakers the latest research and best practices through presentations and real-world conversations.

[Policy Summit 2021: Pathways to Economic Resilience in Our Communities](#) will focus on economic resilience and equity and how they play out in communities of all sizes and compositions. The event will highlight the policies and practices that support or hinder people in our most vulnerable communities from being able to prepare for, adapt to, and respond to shocks and stresses. The effects of COVID-19 and racial injustice will be front and center, across a range of topic areas, including but not limited to, small business, workforce, and housing.

For more information and to register for the event, please visit:

<https://www.clevelandfed.org/newsroom-and-events/events/2021/policy-summit.aspx>

Launch Dayton

STARTUP WEEK



Save the date for Launch Dayton Startup Week, Sept 13 - 16!

Apply now for Early Risers: Startup Week Pitch Competition at Dayton's premier entrepreneurship conference

Mark your calendars for the sixth annual [Launch Dayton Startup Week](#) on Sept. 13-16, 2021 at the Dayton Arcade!

Startup Week brings together the **thinkers, dreamers, doers, makers and entrepreneurs** with resource providers, mentors, and peers. **All experiences are welcome.** Whether you're a seasoned entrepreneur or new to the community, there is space for you to join.

This year, Launch Dayton Startup Week will be a blended conference that will offer both in-person and virtual attendance options. Sessions will be held in the Arcade Rotunda and at The Hub Powered by PNC and streamed live online via webinar.

"Launch Dayton Startup Week inspires current and future entrepreneurs. It is the Dayton region's premiere opportunity for entrepreneurs to connect and network with both resource providers and fellow founders," said John Owen, Startup Week organizer. "We're curating speakers and workshops to spur tangible progress for local businesses and to celebrate the diversity of our startup community."

On Monday, we'll host a series of powerhouse speakers from the local entrepreneur community on our main stage in the Arcade Rotunda. The day will wrap with an entrepreneur resource fair + social and the annual Early Risers: Startup Week Pitch Competition, where ten area startups will compete for cash + services. [Interested in pitching your company? Apply here!](#)

Tuesday through Thursday, we'll be offering industry-specific tracks that will enable attendees to dig deeper into relevant niche topics, as well as workshops where entrepreneurs can actively work on their businesses. These sessions will be offered in afternoons and evenings to accommodate founders who are still working day jobs as they get their companies up and running.

On Tuesday, Sept. 14 catch:

- a medtech track coordinated by [BioOhio](#)
- a SaaS track coordinated by [Technology First](#)
- marketing workshops, coordinated by [LMG - a Dayton-based national branding and marketing firm](#)
- business-building workshops, coordinated by [Early Risers Academy](#)
- elevator pitch practice coordinated by various Launch Dayton partners

On Wednesday, Sept. 15, catch:

- a food & beverage, retail, consumer products track coordinated by the [Downtown Dayton Partnership](#) & the Arcade Kitchen Incubator
- an artists & creatives track, coordinated by [Culture Works](#)
- tech founder workshops, coordinated by the [Entrepreneurs' Center](#)
- a million-dollar women founders' panel, coordinated by [Aviatra Accelerators — Dayton](#)
- meet-your-banker office hours.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, catch:

- a defense track, coordinated by [Parallax Advanced Research](#)
- a future tech track
- a second round of marketing workshops, coordinated by LMG
- meet-an-investor office hours

Want to support this year's conference? Several sponsorship tiers are available. Contact KeAnna Daniels at keanna.daniels@parallaxresearch.org for more information.

Stay tuned to launchdayton.com/events/dayton-startup-week/ for the latest info as speakers are announced!