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Upcoming Events



LEDC's PPP application portal is now live! You can access it here:
<https://www.ledcmetro.org/sbapp>

To view participating lenders, click [here](#)

The new guidance released includes:

- [PPP Guidance from SBA Administrator Carranza on Accessing Capital for Minority, Underserved, Veteran, and Women-owned Business Concerns](#);
- [Interim Final Rule on Paycheck Protection Program as Amended by Economic Aid Act](#); and
- [Interim Final Rule on Second Draw PPP Loans](#).

For more information on SBA's assistance to small businesses, visit sba.gov/ppp or treasury.gov/cares.

BGE Energizing Small Business Grants Program

On January 20, BGE will launch its Energizing Small Business Grants Program as part of its \$15 million pledge to assist small businesses with COVID-19 relief and recovery. This is a component of BGE's comprehensive Customer Relief and Energy Infrastructure Investment Plan, designed to help the state's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Through the [BGE Energizing Small Business Grants Program](#), eligible businesses located in BGE's service area will have three opportunities to apply for grants of up to \$20,000:

- Round 1: January 20 - March 3, 2021
- Round 2: May 5 - June 16, 2021
- Round 3: September 1 - October 13, 2021

To be eligible, a business must have between two and 25 employees, less than \$7 million in annual revenue, a demonstrated need for support, a strong plan for moving forward, and be in good standing with the state of Maryland.

For more information contact Allyson Black, Manager, State Affairs and Economic Development, BGE Allyson.Black@bge.com 410.269.5286

**2021 Baltimore City Department of Public Works Small Business Development Growth By Design Training Program – Register Today!
Open Enrollment through August 23, 2021!**

This 11-week training program has been developed to assist local, small and minority or woman-owned business enterprises (MBE/WBEs) become contract-ready to support Baltimore City on more than \$3 billion in utility construction work. Companies specializing in design and construction related fields including: concrete construction, construction program and project management, excavation, landscaping, pipeline installation, post-construction clean-up, scheduling, sediment and erosion control, sewer construction and inspection, site work, traffic control, and underground utilities should register.

To view flier, click [here](#)

For more information, call 410-618-0100; email: Email: sbd@baltimorecity.gov or visit: publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/smallbusinessdevelopment.

**Baltimore Main Streets Juneteenth Black Business Crawl hosted
by Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street and Baltimore Main Streets
Saturday, June 19, 2021 - Sunday, June 20, 2021
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

To commemorate the Juneteenth weekend, *Baltimore Main Streets(BMS)* is inviting you to visit its Main Street districts during our Black Business Crawl. The Black Business Crawl is being hosted by the Historic Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street and will visit each of the other main streets over the weekend with activities and giveaways at the participating Black-owned businesses.

Attendees of the BMS Black Business Crawl will receive a map to the businesses participating in the event from each main street district. The participating businesses will have special sales and exclusive offers to passport holders, and after visiting each business, you will get a stamp ! **At the end of the event, attendees turn their passports in to win prizes!!**

The 8 active main street programs are:

Belair-Edison Main Street , Fell's Point Main Street, Hamilton-Lauraville Main Street, Highlandtown Main Street, Historic Federal Hill Main Street, Pennsylvania Avenue Main Street, Pigtown Main Street and Waverly Main Street.

To register, click [here](#)

**How To Do Business With NSA hosted by
the Small Business Administration
Wednesday, June 23, 2021
10:00 am – 11:30 am**

This webinar will give attendees a basic understanding of how to do business with the National Security Agency (NSA). NSA leads the U.S. Government in cryptology that encompasses foreign signals intelligence (SIGINT) and cybersecurity. The Agency is committed to small business and providing maximum practicable contracting opportunities to small businesses that meet the mission needs.

To join the webinar, click [here](#)

**Learn how the Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contracting
Program can help you grow your Small Business hosted by
the Small Business Administration
Wednesday, July 7, 2021
10:00 am – 11:00 am**

The Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program provides equal access to federal contracting opportunities for women-owned small businesses (WOSB) and economically disadvantaged women-owned small businesses (EDWOSB).

To join the webinar, click [here](#)

**The GSA Schedules: What you Need to Know hosted by
the Small Business Administration
Wednesday, July 21, 2021
10:00 am – 11:30 am**

This workshop will give attendees a basic understanding of how to do business with General Service Administration(GSA). GSA provides centralized procurement for the federal government, offering billions of dollars worth of products, services, and facilities that federal agencies need to serve the public. Attendees will leave with a better understanding of GSA's procurement process and the agency's commitment to increasing small business utilization.

To join the webinar, click [here](#)

**2021 Transportation & Infrastructure Summit hosted by
Greater Baltimore Committee (GBC)
Monday, July 26, 2021
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

Please join the Greater Baltimore Committee for a panel discussion on the proposed Biden Transportation Infrastructure federal legislation that may invest more than \$1 trillion in highways, bridges, transit, ports and broadband to help rebuild America. Hear about potential projects that may benefit the Greater Baltimore region and State of Maryland should the proposal be approved by Congress.

Panelists include:

- **Senator Ben Cardin**, Chair of the Senate Environment and Public Works Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure — Cardin will discuss President Biden's infrastructure package.
- **Secretary Greg Slater**, Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) — Slater will discuss potential programs that could qualify for funding in the state and region, including highways, bridges, transit, airport and ports.
- **Director Kenrick "Rick" M. Gordon**, head of Maryland's Office of Statewide Broadband — Gordon will discuss all the potential investments and/or plans for investments for broadband using state and federal dollars.

A question-and-answer session will follow the discussion. Please submit questions in advance using the registration form.

To register, click [here](#)

Workshops

To view a list of the upcoming workshops and events hosted by the Small Business Resource Center, click [here](#)