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We challenge you!

**Explore the Great Miami Riverway this summer,
June 1 - August 31**

The more places you visit, the more chances you have to win prizes!

The Great Miami Riverway is more than just a river. This regional destination in southwest Ohio includes paved trails and connected communities where you can surf the river, cycle the bike trail, and find your way through charming downtowns.

The free Summer Challenge has dozens of activities perfect for the adventurer,

the art lover, the aviation enthusiast, the foodie, the beer connoisseur, the paddler, and everyone else in between. The challenge categories are:

- Eat and Drink
- Play Outside
- Shop Local
- Be Entertained
- Explore

HOW TO PLAY

1. Download the Riverway App from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#), and create an account.
2. Choose an activity from the Summer Challenge and once completed, check that item off your list.
3. For extra chances to win, post a picture of your activities on social media with #riverwaychallenge.

PRIZES

Each week a prize package worth \$50-\$100 in merchandise, certificates, and event tickets will be awarded. Grand prizes include:

- **A one-night stay in a floating tent on the Great Miami River at Float Troy and a meal at Smith's Boathouse.**
- More prizes to be announced!



TAKE THE SUMMER CHALLENGE

Rules

- Weekly prizes will be drawn from the participants who have completed activities that week.
- Weekly winners will be announced every Monday beginning June 7.
- To be eligible for the grand prizes, you must complete at least two activities in each category between June 1 and August 31. The grand prize winners will be chosen September 3, 2021.
- The Riverway Summer Challenge starts June 1 at 8 p.m. and ends at 5 p.m. on August 31, 2021
- All winners will be notified by email.

Local businesses need your support as they safely reopen from COVID-19 restrictions. Activities can be completed with a range of contact, so you can ensure your own comfort and safety.

Support your community. Be safe. Have fun.



Explore the Riverway Map

Connecting community, culture, and innovation along 99 miles of river, paved trails, and opportunity in Southwest Ohio.

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June 11-17, 2021



Featured

Thru Sept. 30



June 12 - Levitt Pavilion 2021 Season Opener

[Levitt Pavilion Dayton](#), 134 S. Main St.;
7 p.m.

At long last, Levitt Pavilion Dayton is back for Summer 2021 with a fantastic lineup of more than 40 free concerts! The fun kicks off Saturday, June 12, with New Orleans-based vocalist and trumpeter Shamarr Allen bringing his jazz, hip hop, rock, funk, blues, and country-influenced sound to Dayton. The season continues Thursday, June 17, with The Lao Tizer Band, featuring Eric Marienthal. Be sure to bring your picnic basket, chairs, family, and friends. For a full schedule and more information, visit [levittdayton.org](#).

REGISTER NOW!

July 10 - Downtown Adventure

Clues throughout downtown;
11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The [Downtown Adventure](#) is your chance to explore downtown Dayton businesses and sights in a scavenger hunt for the chance to win prizes! This fun event, sponsored by [AES Ohio](#), [Key-Ads](#), and [Dayton.com](#), will be held **Saturday, July 10**, as part of the 2021 [AES Ohio Summer in the City](#) lineup. Register your team now and sign up for the Adventure. Using the scavenger hunt app Roamli, you'll explore downtown Dayton to find the hidden Adventure clues and submit photos of the clues you find - submit as many as possible between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. for a shot at prizes. Learn more and register [here](#).



June 14-18 - The Square Is Where

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

Presented by the [Downtown Dayton Partnership](#) and [Montgomery County](#), **The Square Is Where** features free live noontime entertainment in the heart of downtown on Courthouse Square. Enjoy food vendors, games, fun tournaments and themed days, and much more. Grab your friends and coworkers and take a lunchtime break with plenty of space to gather outdoors! For details and updates, visit the program's [webpage](#) or "like" its Facebook page at [facebook.com/TheSquareIsWhere](#). Presented with support from the Ohio Arts Council. The Square Is Where you should be on your lunch break this summer! Free.

Coming Up:

- Monday, June 14** - Music Mondays
- Tuesday, June 15** - Trivia Tuesdays
- Wednesday, June 16** - Big Game Day and Barre workout with Space Three at noon
- Thursday, June 17** - Music from Marianne Kesler
- Friday, June 18** - Fridays Live, featuring Red Idle Rejects Duo

REDISCOVER BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



BEAUTE BOX

Get to know Beaute Box in our Rediscover 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 hear from Lisa Scott, who grew one of the original Activated Spaces Pop-Up Shops into a business now in a larger space downtown. Lisa has some great advice about overcoming fear when thinking of starting your own business.



[Click here to read about Beaute Box](#)

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 June 12 - Underwood Canned Wine Tasting

Deaf Monty's Wine, 22 Brown St.; 4-8 p.m.

Just in time for the Levitt Pavilion's first show of the season: Enjoy a flight of 4 delicious Underwood wines from the can for \$7! Delicious wine can be portable and unpretentious. You will receive four 2-ounce pours of these Oregon-produced wines: Pinot Noir, Rose, Pinot Gris and Bubbles. Once you fall in love, you can purchase a 12-ounce can for \$6 + tax to go. Perfect for your next picnic, canoe trip, pool party or live show at the Levitt.

Thru June 20 - Dayton Dragons vs. Great Lakes Loons & Fort Wayne Tincaps

Day Air Ballpark, 220 N. Patterson Blvd.; 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.; during open hours. 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

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 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.

Thru September 3 - Music @ Lunch

RiverScape MetroPark,

111 E. Monument Ave.; 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Take a lunch break at RiverScape MetroPark with live acoustic music Tuesday through Friday from June 1-September 3, 2021. RiverScape MetroPark provides the perfect lunchtime destination. Whether it's meetings,

June 12 - Second Saturday Figure Drawing

The 48 High Street Gallery, 48 High St.; 9:30 a.m.-noon.

It's back! The Dayton Society of Artist is again offering its Second-Saturday figure drawing session. Bring all your own drawing materials, supplies, and \$5 for the model fee. DSA has one drawing horse and a handful of easels you're welcome to use. The model will start out with short dynamic poses and will build up to a 45 minute to 1 hour pose.

June 12 - Yoga in the Park RiverScape MetroPark,

111 E. Monument Ave.; 10-11 a.m.

Enjoy fun, effective and FREE outdoor workouts under the pavilion! Center yourself on yoga days with Tori Reynolds of Speakeasy Yoga. Masks will be required when coming to and leaving the program. In order to help facilitate a socially distanced experience, spots will be limited so pre-registration is required. Remember to bring your own mat, water bottle and towels. The class will also be live streamed on the Five Rivers MetroParks YouTube page. More info at metroparks.org.

June 12 & 13 - Adapt: Dayton Dance Conservatory

Victoria Theatre, 138 N. Main St.; June 12 at noon and 6:30 p.m., June 13 at 5 p.m. For its 2021 Annual Spring Recital, the Dayton Dance Conservatory presents "Adapt," a special performance culminating all of the dancers' hard work, dedication and progress over this past dance year. Through art, they present many simple, yet profound, reasons as to the importance of adaptability, and hope they may empower and inspire you and all of your friends, family, and loved ones. \$15. Call 937-228-3630 or visit DaytonLive.org

June 14-25 - Girls Lead! Summer Camp

Online..

Empower her summer with Girls LEAD! Summer Camps. A signature program of YWCA Dayton, Girls LEAD! Summer Camps provide a two-week intensive Girls LEAD! experience rooted in the Girls LEAD! mission of growing girls in strength, courage, and wisdom through leadership, education, activism, and development in a

information, visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org or call 463-2665.

Thru July 6 - American Veterans Heritage Center Exhibit

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

215 E. Third St.; during open hours.

An exhibit of military uniforms, artifacts and written material about veterans is on display at the Dayton Metro Library through July 6. The exhibit, presented by the American Veterans Heritage Center (AVHC), is located in the Dayton Room on the second floor of the Main Library, and is free and open to the public.. For more information, visit DaytonMetroLibrary.org or call 463-2665.

Thru July 10 - Exhibit: Arron Foster: A Place Between

[The 48 High Street Gallery.](#) 48 High St.

Arron Foster is concerned with how the physical landscape is transformed into a cognitive one and how personal and public spaces intersect in the stories we tell about a place and the way we choose to represent it. His exhibit, A Place Between, will be on view at the 48 High Street Gallery through July 10. [More info.](#)

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.

free WiFi, or just a casual lunch break, you'll enjoy the sights, sounds and fresh air of Dayton's downtown MetroPark. Visit [the Facebook page](#) for upcoming schedule.

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

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.

June 11 - Taste of the Jewish Cultural Festival

[Temple Israel, 130 Riverside Dr.;](#)
4-7 p.m

This year, Temple Israel will host the Taste of the Jewish Cultural Festival as a series of three drive-thru events from 4 to 7 p.m. April 16, May 14 and June 11. Each drive-thru event will be centered around one specific holiday or aspect of Judaism, which will be represented in food, education, interactive crafts, projects, live entertainment and merchandise. [More info.](#)

June 11 & 12 - Mike Eshaq

[Wiley's Comedy Joint.](#) 101 Pine St.;
8 p.m. Friday, 7:15 & 9:30 p.m. Saturday.

After a tour in the Marines, Mike Eshaq traded his rifle in for a microphone! Mike has a unique angle in his comedy being Middle Eastern, serving as a United States Marine and being a Muslim who can't stop eating bacon. Find more informaton on the website [here.](#)

June 12 - Outdoor Market

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

supportive, all-girls environment. It is the only summer day camp focused on girls, ages 11-14, in the Miami Valley, and YWCA Dayton has been a leader in summer youth activities for more than 100 years. Session 1 is June 14-25 via Zoom; Session 2 is July 12-23 at the YWCA Dayton Huber Heights Campus. \$25 application fee; \$100 camp fee. [More info.](#)

June 15 - Story-time at Reza's

[Reza's Downtown.](#) 438 Wayne Ave.;
10:30-11 a.m.

Reza's welcomes little ones (and their chauffeurs) to our cafe every Tuesday at 10:30. Order a beverage from our Children's Menu and join our Barista Karen in the Parlor for Story-time.

June 16 - 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 a link to an hour-long class each week.

More info on the [Dayton International Peace Museum Website.](#)

June 16 - 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 17 - 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 17 - Showcase Thursday

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.](#)

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.

[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.

June 17 - The Lao Tizer Band Featuring Eric Marientha

[Levitt Pavilion Dayton](#), 134 S. Main St.; 7 p.m.

Bring your picnic blanket, chairs, food, friends, and family and enjoy FREE live music at Levitt Pavilion Dayton! Thursday, June 17, come hear Jazz Group of the Year nominee **The Lao Tizer Band, featuring Eric Marientha**. For a full schedule and more information, visit levittdayton.org.

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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

[**APPLY NOW**](#)



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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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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- How they can be leveraged to bring attention to your organization
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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!

Meet our U.S. Embassy Industry Experts to gain strategic intelligence and learn about current market conditions.

Pre-Screened International Contacts from 24 Countries:
Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kazakhstan, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom.

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Autonomous Vehicles
Batteries & Charging
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Machine Learning

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Cyber Security
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Robotics & Automation
Innovative Materials
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Agribusiness
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Crop Health Management
Drones
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Smart Farming
Vegetation Management

The Smart Mobility Exporter Resource Guide



COST: \$125

June 14 – 18, 2021

REGISTER HERE

Registration Deadline, Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Contact: Kyungsoo.Kim@trade.gov

Visit: www.itamatch.com/event/smartmobilityb2b

Hidden Talent Within Your Community

Tuesday, June 15, 2021 @ 11:00 AM, CST

The National Disability Institute (NDI), a non-profit agency with a mission to raise the financial security and capability of Americans with Disabilities, will present on the "Hidden Talent Within Your Community." Nationwide, economic developers are focused on workforce development and attraction. NDI



teaches community leaders and companies how to utilize talent within their backyard to fill open jobs. During this webinar, they merge data with insights and strategies to give leaders actionable steps that can be taken to fully engage all of the talents within their communities - something that benefits local employers while transitioning community members from needing social services to contributing to regional economic growth.

Participating economic developers will be engaged in the development of a broader understanding of individuals with disabilities and the positive impact their full inclusion in the community can make. This session will focus on strategies economic developers and local companies can use to demonstrate leadership in disability employment practice.

Join us with **Brian Ingram, Training & Technical Assistance Manager, and Doug Keast, Project Manager, on Tuesday, June 15 at 11:00 AM, CST** for a discussion around finding that hidden talent within your community.

This webinar event is free to join, but registration is required.

[**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**](#)

Please join us for our **2nd BusinessFirst! "Resource Partner Talk" June 17th at 9:30 featuring Billy Grill, Procurement Counselor for the Ohio University Procurement and Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)** in Dayton. The (PTAC) helps Ohio's businesses understand how to compete for federal, state, and local government contracts. The program is part of a nationwide network of Procurement Technical Assistance Centers created by the U.S. Department of Defense.

The PTAC helped small (and some large) businesses in Ohio obtain over \$1 Billion dollars in government contracts in 2020!

PTACs match local businesses with contract opportunities, research past contracts, help clients prepare bids and navigate requirements and assist clients after winning contracts. They also offer additional services including military specifications, one-on-one training, information resources, and trade events where Ohio firms can meet government buyers. **These services are provided at no cost to Ohio businesses.**

Billy has 15 years of experience in helping clients market to all levels of governments. His varied roles in business development, marketing, operations, and program management give him a wide skill set to assist his clients with. He also has experience as a Small Business Development Center Counselor helping businesses start, grow, and expand their footprint.

You won't want to miss this opportunity to learn more about what the PTAC can do for your business community!

Please let me know if you are available to join us, I will follow-up with a ZOOM link to join the webinar. Thank you, I look forward to hearing from you.

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6TH ANNUAL SOUTHWEST OHIO LOGISTICS CONFERENCE - JUNE 2021

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021 (7:30 AM - 1:30 PM) (EDT)

Join the Dayton Area Logistics Association for its 6th Annual Southwest Ohio Logistics Conference featuring keynote speakers, Ken Eckrote, Senior Director of Market Operations, Dayton Mixing Center at Proctor & Gamble and Chris Spear, President and CEO of American Trucking Associations.

Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Ken Eckrote about P&G's changing supply chain as well as their evolving network, technology automation, and workforce diversification. Chris Spear will provide a Washington update on both regulatory and legislative issues as well as issues affecting the trucking industry in the states and in the courts. Chris will discuss priorities such as lawsuit abuse, infrastructure funding, independent contractors and workforce shortage issues, as well as environment and energy issues and overall labor issues.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to choose from four breakout sessions geared toward the logistics industry including presentations from Motoman Robotics, Yaskawa America, Inc., Vestige Digital Investigations, Sinclair Community College's Office of Work-based Learning, and DriveOhio.

Vendor exhibitor and sponsor spots still available, contact Amanda Bergmann at abergmann@dacc.org for information.

Pricing

Dayton Area Chamber Members - \$80
Non-Dayton Area Chamber Members - \$140

Exhibitor Package - \$300
Sponsorship Package - \$750

Pricing includes a light breakfast, buffet lunch, and parking in the Sinclair Conference Center garage for all attendees

Sinclair Conference Center

444 W Third St
Dayton, OH 45402

Complimentary parking for conference attendees is available in Sinclair Parking Garage C located under the conference center and accessible via 4th Street. Using a GPS to locate the garage? Enter at 12 W 4th St. Dayton, OH 45402.

Event Contact

Amanda Bergmann
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[Send Email](#)

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 (7:30 AM - 1:30 PM) (EDT)

- 7:30 AM - Registration and exhibits open. Continental breakfast available.
- 8:10 AM - Welcome in Great Hall.
- 8:15 AM - Keynote address: Ken Eckrote - P&G
- 9:30 AM - Breakout session #1 begins.
- 10:30 AM - Break and exhibits open.
- 11:00 AM - Breakout session #2 begins.
- 12:00 PM - Lunch buffet available and exhibits open.
- 12:30 PM - Keynote address: Chris Spear - American Trucking Association
- 1:30 PM - Conference concludes.



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>



We are talking about summertime fun in Dayton at the next

**Dayton CVB Hospitality Zoom Meeting
on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 9:00 AM**

FEATURING
guest speakers from the
Dayton Air Show
Levitt Pavilion
National Museum of the U.S. Air Force

(and more as they are confirmed)

Reply to this email to RSVP and we'll send you the Zoom link!

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Earn and Learn Toolkit for Entry Level Production Workers

Mark your calendar for the OMA Earn-and-Learn Toolkit for Entry-Level Prod. Workers 60-minute webinar

DATE: Thursday, June 24, 2021

TIME: 10 – 11 a.m. EDT

Manufacturers have more entry-level openings than they can fill, but a customizable earn-and-learn program can help close the gap.

The Ohio Manufacturing Workforce Partnership (a collaboration of the OMA and Ohio TechNet) has compiled national—and locally tested—best practices in recruiting, screening, and training people with no manufacturing experience.

Participants in this webinar will learn about three entry-level earn-and-learn programs being implemented by OMA's network of industry sector partnerships.

Attend to learn about the toolkit for industry sector partnerships and manufacturers that provides step-by-step instructions for convening partners, customizing curriculum, and implementing an entry-level earn-and-learn in your region.

Who should attend?

- ✓ Members of industry sector partnerships
- ✓ Workforce and education professionals
- ✓ Economic development professionals
- ✓ Manufacturers interested in developing a pipeline of skilled workers

[Learn more](#)

Registration fee (for an unlimited number of participants at one phone/computer location)

1. OMA Members: \$19
2. Non-OMA Members: \$19

QUESTIONS? Call (800) 662-4463 or [email OMA](#)

[Register Now](#)

PROJECT **ENGINEUNITY**

PROJECT ENGINEUNITY—an initiative 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.

Project Engineunity brings you a complimentary webinar series of experts to share a deeper understanding of commercialization and technology application potential. Provide valuable feedback from government leaders, investors and industry partners, along with expert training to support the application process for Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR).

Join Our Webinar

Learn Where the Money Resides to Fund Your Tech Innovation

- Are you a tech entrepreneur looking to secure funding for your innovation that has commercialization potential?
- Are you Black, Latinx or a woman looking for an accelerator to grow and expand your company or business?

If you answered YES, please join our panel of experts sponsored by Chase to unlock how to win SBIR awards. SBIR offers flexible grant funding, commercialization support and the strongest intellectual property rights for small businesses in the federal government.

Thursday, June 24, 2021

1:00 – 2:00pm ET

[Register Now](#)

Our Panelists



Tosh Ernest
Head of Wealth
Advancing Black Pathways
JPMorgan Chase



Anthony Gillespie
Senior Program Manager
Ohio Aerospace Institute



Stacyann P. Russell
Founder & CEO
The Daraja Collective

To learn more visit ProjectEngineunity.com

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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!