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The following businesses have been nominated for a 2022 OhioMBE Award as of Sept. 19. The 8th Annual OhioMBE Award luncheon will be held on Oct. 27 at Huntington Park. The premier networking event recognizes Ohio's best small businesses. The keynote speaker will be Cornelius Green, legendry fomer quarter at Ohio State University. Tickets are available online at https://www.tickettailor.com/events/ the912group/



There is still time to vote for the People's Choice Award. The voting is exclusively on the Ohio Black Card mobile app.

Aaron's Tasty Grill	Bala
Adams Dental Assisting Academy	Ericka Adams
AJL Group, LLC - Roofing	Alma Cochran
All Contractors Supply LLC	Kim Gilmore
All Seasons Restaurant And Catering	Troy Wheat
Beauty101	Dominique Louis
Black Wall Street Pop-Up LLC	Rhonda Shehee
Central Contractor's & Redevelopment, LLC	Karee Martin
Columbus Black History Tours	Rita Fuller-Yates
Eleven 11 Behavioral Solutions	MARKITA CUMBERLANDER
Elma and Joe's legacy	Richard jones
Empower our Youth Foundation	Tonya Kelly M.Ed
Expert Micro Systems, Incorporated	Patricia Opong
FASS Management Real Estate Services	Akil Hameed
Go Fund Your Life	Nicole Simpson Son
Green Harvest Health	Dr. Bridget Williams
Kincs By Nicki Wearable Art	Nichole Burton
Koncious Kuisine	Vicki
Lifestyle Comfort Solutions	Lisa Crosley
LobbyCentral	Jaime Fuhr
Noir Marketing and PR	Jessica East
Rich Taste Catering	Clarece Richardson
SDVOSB Materials, Technology & Supply LLC	Harrison Kendall
Soza Fitness & Wellness LLC	Diawn Jones
Teacher of Men	Keith Dodley
The Five Party & Event Center	Ekima Smith
The Garage Door Guy	James Tucker



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Bonding and Insurance—An overview of business insurance types, coverages, and real-life examples. This class is instructed by Nicole Simpson. Nicole is the President of Go Fund Your Life, and she loves helping people learn how to preserve and protect their personal and business assets. She has spent most of her career in the financial service industry, gaining experiences in areas such as banking, personal finance, insurance and philanthropy. After witnessing countless families use crowd funding



platforms like Go Fund Me to raise money for life's unexpected circumstances, she realized she needed to change the way people think about insurance.

In 2017 Go Fund Your Life was established as an education and resource firm designed to teach individuals, business owners, and families how to use insurance, and annuities to build and protect wealth for multiple generations.

Consulting on insurance needs is her primary job function by day, Nicole also enjoys Philanthropic planning and spends her down time introducing giving circles to the community to increase giving to underrepresented non-profit organizations

When: Oct. 20 Time: 6 pm (Online)

Register at OHBDC.eventbrite.com

This class is open to ALL businesses, not just members of the Fall 2022 Class.

Legal Assistance for Central Ohio Small Businesses

The Law Office of Ambrose Moses III has partnered with the Ohio Business Development Center (OBDC) to make Small Business Legal Aid @OBDC an additional legal services resource available to startup and existing small businesses in Central Ohio. A goal of the Small Business Legal Aid program is to address the unmet legal needs of startup and existing small business owners by providing EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, and LEGAL SERVICES based on the needs and wants expressed by interested business stakeholders.



To register for the Workshop & Legal Clinic please visit at www.smallbusinessLegalaid.com/ #education

bid board

To post a bid notice, call 614-522-9122 or email news@ohiombe.com

Get a text notification when we post a contracting opportunity. Text OhioMBE to (855) 703-0748.

Plans available for viewing in the City of Columbus Planroom

Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority (AMHA)

- Security Systems Services and Related Work as needed at various locations in Summit County 11/19
- Interior Renovations at Pinewoods Gardens 10/25
- Pest Control Supplies 10/20

Building Crafts

Chillicothe WWTP - 10/19

Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA)

Jenkins Terrace HVAC Replacement – 11/11

Columbus Regional Airport Authority

 REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR ON-CALL AIRSIDE CIVIL ENGINEERING SER-VICES FOR JOHN GLENN COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL, RICKENBACKER INTERNATIONAL, AND BOL-TON FIELD AIRPORTS FOR THE COLUMBUS REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

- Master Planning Design Services 10/24
- Website Development Services 10/31

Franklin County

- Mowing and/or Plowing—Landscaping or Snow Removal Services 10/17
- Canned, Dry, Frozen, and Dairy Food Products 10/19
- On-Call Maintenance of electronic control equipment 11/1
- Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road & Havens Road Roundabout 11/8

inclusion and the impact small and minority-owned firms have on the Central Ohio economy. The Columbus Regional Airport Authority invites you to access the following link: www.columbusairports.diversitycompliance.com to register to do business with us and to view new bid opportunities and results. Email BusinessDiversity@ColumbusAirports.com for questions about the Diversity Programs at Columbus Regional Airport Authority.

The Columbus Regional Airport Authority values diversity and



Columbus City Schools issues solicitations on a regular basis for goods & services related to food, con-

struction, technology, curriculum, & transportation. Interested vendors should periodically check our website at http://www.columbus.k12.oh.us/rfp

Meet the District

East High School 1500 E. Broad Street

Register at: bit.ly/3MajXkd

Save The Date

10am



This is a very important meeting with members of the Board of Education, the Superintendent, and key Decision makers regarding Contracting and Procurement Opportunities.

All Departments will be in attendance for this exciting event and you will have an opportunity to learn how to successfully market your Company to the district.

Why you should get your business certified?

There are several reasons why you should get your business certified:

- 1. Some entities have purchasing goals. Only certified businesses can participate.
- Certification adds legitimacy to your business. You
 have gone through a process that has determined
 that your business is owned and controlled by a
 minority, woman or disadvantaged business.
- Certification can afford you loan and bonding opportunities. The State of Ohio has loan and bonding programs specifically for certified minority owned businesses.
- Certification can be a marketing tool for your business. You can add your certifications to your marketing materials, business cards, website, etc. Many consumers like during business with veteran, minority or woman owned businesses.
- Certification can be used in the private sector. Many companies don't have a certifying program but in an effort to have supplier diversity, will accept the certifications from some governmental agencies.

Attend a class and learn how to get your business certified. Visit https://buytickets.at/the912group/738330 for the upcoming class schedule.

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Columbus City Schools seeks LEDE vendors

How do I become a Local Economically Disadvantaged Enterprise (LEDE) Vendor with Columbus City Schools?

Your Columbus City Schools Vendor Number allows you to conduct business with the School District.

You must first complete the CCS Vendor Application by visiting: www.columbus.k12.oh.us.

Click VENDORS and complete the On-Line Vendor Registration and provide all pertinent information or by contacting the district's Purchasing Department at: (614) 365-5820.

Once registered as a Vendor with Purchasing, please complete the Local Economically Disadvantaged Enterprise (LEDE) Vendor Affidavit also on the district's website. This form must be Signed and Notarized. You can also contact the Outreach Office at: (614) 365-8732 or outreachservices@columbus.k12.oh.us







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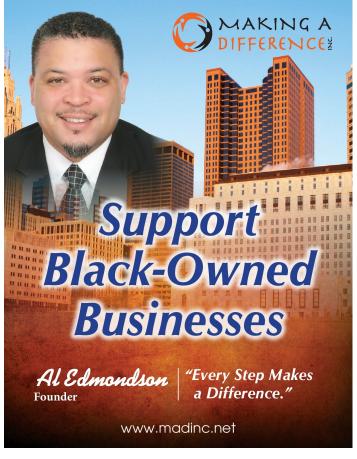














Ohio Diversity Network



Certification adds legitimacy to your business. You have gone through a process that says your business IS what you say it is (MBE, FBE, DBE)

Helping you get it done!

OhioCertificationCenter.com



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Got your Black Card?



The Ohio Black Card and its mobile app have the mission of fostering business between Black-owned companies.

The mobile app features the electronic copy of OhioMBE, a business directory, a list of contracting opportunities, a collection of upcoming events, business resources and a bevy of vendors

who will offer a discount when presented with the Ohio Black Card.

The Ohio Black Card mobile app is available on Google Play and The App Store.

Don't have THE Ohio Black Card? Visit Black-CardOhio.com and get yours. The card is FREE. If you are a business who wants to be an Ohio Black Card vendor, please email news@ohiombe.com



October 27, 2022

The Club Bar at Huntington Park

Awards Luncheon—11:30 am to 1 pm

Networking Reception —4:30 pm to 7 pm

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