



APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER



## BusinessFirst! 2024 Events!

### May Specialist Meeting

**May 23, 2024 - 9:30 am  
444 E. 2nd St., Dayton OH**

This meeting focuses on learning about critical resources and insights into the Aerospace and Defense industry. Whether you are a seasoned professional or just starting your career, this meeting will provide valuable knowledge and networking opportunities with industry experts to expand your understanding of these sectors. Speakers include James Masonbrink, Program Director - Wright Brothers Institute, Joshua Bohun, Associate Director - National UAS Center at Sinclair and Ted Angel, Director of Projects and Business Development, Aerospace, and Defense - Dayton Development Coalition.

**REGISTER FOR SPECIALIST MEETING**

There will be three other Specialist Meetings scheduled for 2024:

**July 11, 2024 - 9:30 am - Location TBA**

**September 12, 2024 - 9:30 am - Location TBA**

**November 13, 2024 - 9:30 am - Aileron Campus, 8860 Wildcat Rd, Tipp City, OH 45371**

If you are interested in participating in specialist events as a host or speaker, hosting business walks or participating in jurisdictional breakfasts and round tables, please contact **Clarence Rahman** at BusinessFirst! for additional information.

Our first business walk is scheduled for **May 2, 2024** in Fairborn. Contact [Lisa Robertson](#) for any additional information.



## Now Hiring! - Economic Development Director

Middletown, Ohio, is seeking a visionary Economic Development Director. The Director will report to the Assistant City Manager and work closely with the City of Middletown Port Authority.

Position is responsible for overseeing the implementation of programs and plans related to the economic revitalization of the city; developing and leading specific job growth strategies in retention and attraction; serving as liaison for various community development projects; responsible for city workforce development efforts; and overseeing the small business development assistance program.

### POSITION LISTING AND INSTRUCTIONS



## The Living City Project

We are so excited for this year's citywide Living City Project cleanup in Dayton! In 2019 we had our launch, with over 1,300 volunteers cleaning up 125 tons of trash and debris across 30 neighborhoods. To date, we have collected over 300 tons of trash. We are looking forward to another one-day citywide cleanup on **April 20, 2024**. We hope you will join us to make an impact all across our city!

We are currently signing up Host Locations and will post them as they join. This project is for **EVERYONE**, whether you live in Dayton or not--let's partner to make a difference.

## We Are Hiring!

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST II & III

- \$49,296.00 - \$66,539.20 ANNUALLY
- 451 WEST THIRD STREET IN DAYTON

APPLY NOW!

[bit.ly/mecdspecialist](http://bit.ly/mecdspecialist)

## Now Hiring! - Community Development Specialist II or III

Montgomery County is on the lookout for a Community Development Specialist to fuel the growth of our business community. If you're a go-getter with a knack for building relationships and making a difference, this could be your next big opportunity!

Go to our [site](#) to learn more and apply, and join us in our mission to empower local business and communities to thrive and grow together!



## 2024 Free Training!

Would you like to know more about interviewing, hiring and working alongside people with disabilities? Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) will customize a Windmills Training session to meet your business needs.

This interactive training program, will enhance awareness of cultural diversity, examine personal attitudes and biases toward people with disabilities, and provide information to better understand the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

**For more information, contact Cynthia Crewes at 513-309-6140 or [cynthia.crewes@ood.ohio.gov](mailto:cynthia.crewes@ood.ohio.gov).**

For groups of more than 10 please email [livingcityproject@declare.org](mailto:livingcityproject@declare.org), thank you!

## INFORMATION AND EVENT REGISTRATION



### 6888 Kitchen Tour

April 23rd 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
32 S Ludlow St.  
Dayton Ohio 45402

Are you seeking a unique and exciting opportunity to grow your food business? Look no further than the 6888 Kitchen Incubator! Our state-of-the-art shared-use kitchen is designed to support food entrepreneurs like you. By taking a tour of our facility, you'll discover:

1. Fully equipped commercial kitchen spaces that cater to your specific needs
2. A collaborative environment where you can network with other passionate food professionals
3. A convenient location with easy access to suppliers and customers
4. Ongoing support from our experienced staff to help your business thrive!

During the tour, you'll have the chance to see our impressive amenities firsthand and learn how the 6888 Kitchen Incubator can help you take your culinary venture to the next level.

### RSVP/EVENT REGISTRATION



### DaytonDefense April Luncheon presents General Duke Richardson

April 24, 2024  
11:00 AM

Topic: Reoptimization for Great Power Competition (GPC) Update



### National Civics Bee - Local Competition 2024

April 24th 5:30pm - 7:30pm  
Sinclair Community College

The Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce Education and Public Improvement Foundation (EPI) is excited to host the National Civics Bee competition for the Dayton Region for the second year in a row. This event is hosted in partnership with The Civic Trust of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation and is aimed at encouraging young Americans to engage in civics and contribute to their communities.

We invite local businesses, schools, and community members to come support these students as they compete for cash prizes and a chance to compete at the State and National levels.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/REGISTRATION



**MONTGOMERY**  
C O U N T Y

### 2024 Spring Job Fair

April 25th, 12:00pm - 4:00pm  
University of Dayton Arena

Are you looking to find and hire great candidates? Each year, OhioMeansJobs –

Gen. Duke Z. Richardson is Commander, Air Force Materiel Command, headquartered at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for installation and mission support, discovery and development, test and evaluation, life cycle management services, and sustainment of virtually every major Air Force weapon system. The command employs 89,000 people and manages \$72 billion of budget authority annually.

Doors open at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch Served at 11:30 a.m.

Speaker Remarks from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

### EVENT REGISTRATION

This event is closed to the media.



### Community Development Resource Fair!

**April 27th 11:00am - 3:00pm  
Dayton Bike Yard at Welcome Park**

The Cities of Dayton and Kettering, in partnership with Montgomery County, will celebrate Community Development Month with an outdoor celebration and resource fair on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Dayton Bike Yard (1437 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd.).

The event will include demonstrations by local bike enthusiasts, project information to highlight the variety of transformative projects funded with CDBG throughout the Miami Valley, a resource fair to allow our grant-funded partners an opportunity for community outreach, food trucks and live music to celebrate the transformative power of federal grants like CDBG in our community.

**Event is FREE and Open to the Public**

Montgomery County holds several large job fairs to connect you with local businesses who are hiring. We truly believe Montgomery County, and the entire Dayton, Ohio region, has the best workforce around, and we're committed to cultivating relationships between our local business and the people who work for them.

Employers can register [HERE](#)

Job Seekers can register [HERE](#).



### Logistics Industry Economic Impact: May 2024

**May 2, 2024 8-10 AM  
NCR Country Club**

Join us as we reveal the 2024 Logistics Economic Impact Study!

In an independent study, internationally renowned consulting firm to the supply chain industry, St. Onge, ranks the Dayton Region as one of the nation's most ideal locations for a distribution hub in any network configuration. With our region's collection of multi-modal infrastructure and placement along Interstates 70 & 75, Dayton has become a hub for logistics companies to thrive.

Panelists Include:

- Dr. Mark Jacobs, Chair of MIS & Supply Chain Management, Business Analytics, University of Dayton
- Dr. Adam Parrillo, Dean of Business and Applied Technology, Clark State College
- Dr. Monique L. Murfield, Director, Center for Supply Chain Excellence, Miami University



## 2024 In-Demand Jobs Week

**May 6-10, 2024**

In-Demand Jobs Week is the statewide celebration of the jobs, industries, and skills that are in-demand in Ohio. Community leaders statewide are encouraged to partner in planning engaging events and activities that will inspire excitement and awareness among students and job seekers. The theme for In-Demand Jobs Week 2024 is "Ohio, The Heart of Opportunity."

During the week, business, community, and education leaders are encouraged to host events to demonstrate the opportunities that are available in their community and industry. Last year, local events included job fairs, business tours, career signing days, resume workshops, and more. To register your event as an official In-Demand Jobs Week event, click [here](#)

### IN-DEMAND JOBS WEEK EVENTS



#### Community Leader Washington, DC Fly-In

**May 13 - May 15, 2024**

The Fly-In is more than just a show of support for the community's interests. The annual trip offers attendees an opportunity to learn more about Washington D.C., and the federal government. Attendees interact with government officials, [speak with one](#)

### EVENT REGISTRATION



## 2024 Ohio Business Matchmaker

**May 8-9, 2024 3-7  
Wright State Nutter Center**

For a more than a decade, the Ohio Business Matchmaker has connected small businesses to government contracting opportunities. As one of the largest business to government matchmaking events in the state, this event offers a unique opportunity for businesses interested in doing business with the federal, state or local government to meet with representatives to market and sell their goods and services. This event is open to all businesses.

### EVENT REGISTRATION



## Vets Moving Forward 2024

**May 22, 2024 3-7 PM  
Wright State Student Union**

Vets Moving Forward is an annual event focused on connecting Veterans and Resource Organizations and Jobs in our Greater Miami Valley.

**voice** in support of our federal installations, promote economic development, and help improve the quality of life for those living and doing business in the Dayton Region.

Each year, sessions include presentations from the House and Senate Congressional delegation representing the Dayton Region.

#### EVENT REGISTRATION



### Recordkeeping for the Small Business

**May 23, 2024 - 3:00pm to 5:00pm**  
Virtual

The Recordkeeping for a Small Business workshop provides an overview of record keeping and is designed to help participants understand how record keeping can benefit their small business.

Come learn the ways businesses keep vital records of their activities and track their day-to-day transactions in traditional accounting. Understand the structure, content, and application of a variety of record keeping forms and accounting methods. We'll explore the differences and connections between record keeping, accounting, and financial management and learn about the requirements of a record keeping system.

#### EVENT REGISTRATION

The event in 2024 will have a Resource Fair area for organizations to share information on their mission with Veterans. There will also be a Job Fair area for organizations to talk with Veterans about positions within their companies. In addition, there will be a Dayton VA Medical Center Enrollment Fair for Veterans to sign up for VA services.

#### EVENT REGISTRATION



### GENERATION DAYTON

#### Generation Dayton Day 2024

**June 21, 2024**  
Dayton Metro Library

Join the Dayton region's largest service outing for early career professionals to 'Get Out & Give Back'.

This year, Generation Dayton, the Dayton Area Chamber's early career professionals program will focus its volunteer efforts on giving back to various non-profit organizations throughout the community. Generation Dayton Day gives attendees the opportunity to enjoy lunch, hear a presentation from a community leader, then 'Get Out and Give Back.'

Join us for lunch, networking and programming. After a day of giving back, participants will celebrate with an after-party: Details on this coming soon!

#### EVENT REGISTRATION

Created in 2001, the nationally recognized BusinessFirst! program uses a customer oriented approach to economic development that connects businesses to resources in the Dayton Region. We are the single-point of



contact for all of your business needs.  
BusinessFirst! has provided assistance to over  
7,800 businesses in the Greater Dayton Region  
- we are here to assist your company, too.

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