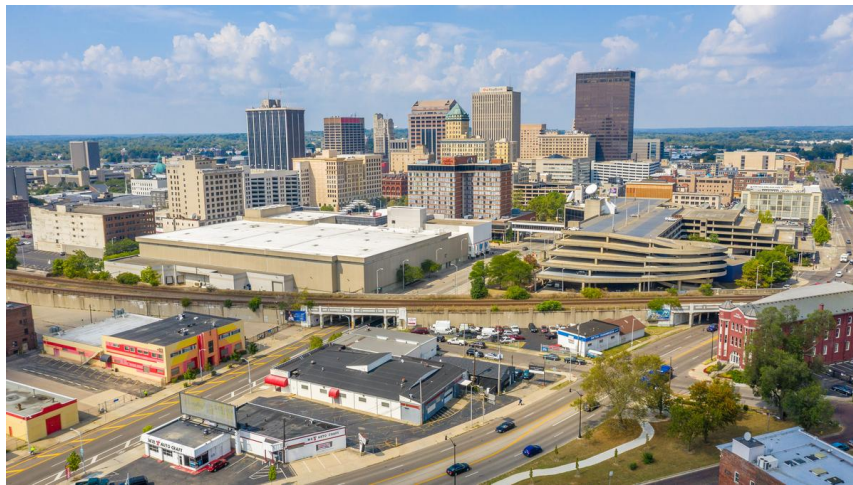




AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER



## BusinessFirst! Outreach Meetings

Mark your calendars for the **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, BusinessFirst! Outreach Specialist meeting to be held at the **Dayton Convention Center!**

As you may know, the Dayton Convention Center has been undergoing an extensive renovation process. We will hear from one of their representatives who will give an overview of the revitalization thus far as well as a tour after the meeting.

Additionally, we'll have two great guest speakers:

- **Kourtney Terry, Program Manager, Aviatra Accelerators**

Aviatra Accelerators provide education, resources and connections to help women entrepreneurs start and grow their businesses.

- **Priscila McCarty, Senior Manager, Brixey & Meyer**

Brixey & Meyer offer consulting and technical expertise to help businesses with efficiency and optimization through continuous improvement, project management, and strategic planning.

Click [here](#) for additional information and to register for this free event!

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There is one more Specialist Meeting scheduled for 2024!

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

Stay tuned for additional information on some upcoming Business Walks! We are hoping to have two more before the end of the year and will update as soon as we can!

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](#) for additional information.



## Now Hiring! City Planner

The City of Middletown is seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of City Planner. This is a professional position that provides planning knowledge, analysis, and guidance for the City's future growth and development. This position requires considerable knowledge, abilities, and experience in planning; quality management skills; strong customer service orientation and communication. Candidates should have the ability to interpret the City's needs and desires for land use, zoning, and design for short- and long-range planning projects.

### POSITION DESCRIPTION



## Now Hiring! Economic Development Director

The City of Kettering is seeking an exceptional professional with a proven track record to fill the position of Economic Development Manager. Reporting directly to the Assistant City Manager, this position will manage the City's Economic Development Program, including working with top level executives in business, industry and government to attract and retain businesses to thrive in and contribute to the community.

### POSITION DESCRIPTION & APPLICATION



## Now Hiring! Assistant City Manager

West Carrollton is seeking a dynamic and experienced leader to serve as Assistant City Manager. The Assistant City Manager will lead the organization's economic development efforts, manage special projects and oversee its human resources functions. The successful candidate will have significant experience and in-depth knowledge of economic development, community revitalization, planning, real estate strategies, and human resources. The ideal candidate will be a problem solver who can see the big picture and collaborate with the City Manager in accomplishing City goals and objectives.



Those possessing the job skills, responsibilities, knowledge, and abilities included in the position description are encouraged to apply.

### POSITION DESCRIPTION

### APPLY HERE



## Abbott Nutrition Hiring Event

**August 28, 2024**

Abbott Nutrition located in Tipp City, Ohio, will be hosting a hiring event at their facility located on 1 Abbott Way, Tipp City, Ohio, from 9am to 7pm.

Here are a few of the open positions:

- Processing Operator
- Filling Operator
- Filling MeOp
- Packaging Operator
- Production Specialist
- Packaging MeOp
- Analytical Chemist
- Sanitation Specialist
- Forklift Operator
- Calibration Technician
- EHS Specialist

Employee benefits including medical, dental, and vision begin on day one! Whether you're just starting out or you're an experienced professional, you can grow in your career at Abbott and do work with impact.

### EVENT REGISTRATION



## DRMA Economic Update

**September 10, 2024**



## OEDA Annual Summit

**September 3-6, 2024**  
**Downtown Toledo**

OEDA's biggest education and networking event of the year is the Annual Summit. This three-day conference includes educational sessions covering the most important economic development topics and timely issues and offers outstanding networking. Approximately 350 economic and community development professionals attend as well as state and local officials and news media. With plenary and concurrent sessions, special topic roundtables, and networking events, attendees can earn 12-16 credit hours toward the Ohio Certified Economic Developer credential.

We look forward to OEDA members convening in this fresh new venue and connecting with economic development professionals from across the state. Stay tuned for more info as the event approaches.

### EVENT INFORMATION - BOOK HOTEL ROOM



## Launch Dayton - Startup Week

2:15pm to 6pm  
Sinclair Conference Center

Save the date for DRMA's most popular event of the year! Listen to an engaging update from one of the country's premier economists, **Connor Lokar** of ITR Economics. His presentation will provide the information you need to guide your business moving forward.

Conflicting trends characterized the first half of 2024, with lingering concerns regarding future actions by the Federal Reserve Board and the pace of disinflation. Some leading indicators were rising; others remained mired in decline. The reasonably good financial status of consumers in general and robust business cash balances in many industries kept the downside of the business cycle mild in 2024. Join us as we look at the trends for 2025 and into 2026, including the onset of recovery in the industrial economy and a faster rate of rise in most of the service sector. We will look at key markets domestically and globally and their expected impact on attendees. Knowing what to watch for and the probable timing of the reversal to rise will give you confidence as you lay out your plans.

#### **EVENT INFORMATION & REGISTRATION**



### **Montgomery County Job Fair Announcements**

There will be several job fairs that the County is assisting with in the month of September

- The Reverse Job Fair will be held on Thursday, **September 12th** at the Job Center (1111 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd - Conference Room 1133) from 9am to 12pm.
- The Montgomery County Fall Job Fair will be held on Wednesday, **September 18th**, at the Dayton Convention Center (22 E. 5th St.) from 12pm to 4pm.

There is still time for your business to register!

September 10-12, 2024  
The Hub, Dayton OH

Launch Dayton Startup Week Presented by Fifth Third Bank is the top gathering of the year for the Dayton region's new and aspiring entrepreneurs. Hundreds of bold makers, innovators, dreamers and doers converge at The Hub in downtown Dayton to be inspired and empowered at this community-driven conference. The week-long schedule includes powerful talks, impactful hands-on workshops, and vibrant networking opportunities. Register today and build your custom conference agenda!

#### **CONFERENCE INFO**

#### **REGISTRATION**



**University  
of Dayton**

### **UD Fall Career & Internship Fair Employer Registration**

**September 16, 2024**  
**UD Recplex, 1:00am - 5:00pm**

You are cordially invited to attend the Fall 2024 Career and Internship Fair! Organizations are invited to visit our campus and meet with students and alumni from ALL MAJORS seeking employment in internships, co-ops and full-time opportunities. A limited number of booths are available, so be sure to secure yours today!

#### **REGISTRATION & SCHEDULE**





## **Miami Valley Veteran Owned Business Networking Group**

**September 18, 2024**  
**Premier Health Center**

A networking event for Dayton area Veteran-owned businesses hosted by the Miami Valley Veteran Owned Business group.

### **EVENT REGISTRATION**



## **Library Link: Dayton Small Business Networking**

**September 21, 2024**  
**West Branch Community Room**

Expand your business horizons at the Library Link: Dayton Small Business Networking event! This special gathering, hosted in collaboration with the local Dayton Metro Library branch, is designed for entrepreneurs and small business owners looking to grow their networks, explore new opportunities, and potentially gain new customers.

### **EVENT INFORMATION**



## **Women 4 Tech**

## **Women 4 Tech: Stop Networking...**

**September 25, 2024**  
**Life Connection of Ohio, Kettering**

Despite what all the experts tell you, the key to networking is to stop networking. It doesn't work, no one likes it, it's mercenary and at best, transactional. Nobody wants to have a 'networking conversation,' especially those who are at the highest levels. People want to have real conversations and real relationships. The real power and fun is in connecting.

Ask the most successful people you know what led to their success and not one will say networking. They will say it was friends and colleagues. They will say relationships led to their professional and personal success.

So, let's stop networking and learn to make real connections instead.

### **REGISTRATION**



## **Small Business**

## **Optimizing Tech Investments**

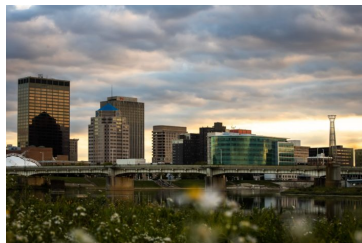
**September 26, 2024**  
**Business Solutions Center**

Join Tech First's panel to uncover what you don't know about managing your tech investments but should. Learn how to budget, plan for the lifecycle of your hardware, and when to reach out to local resources for support.

Hear insights from our panel, including:

- Linda White, Montgomery County Business Solutions Center
- Todd Wind, CPC
- Eric Parsley, Expedient Technology Solutions
- David Babcock, Independent Consultant, 30-year Air Force military member
- Leah Seymour, Modern Office Methods, will moderate.

### **REGISTRATION**



**I-70/75**  
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

## New American Employer Roundtable

**October 1, 2024**  
**Business Solutions Center**

Join us for the final 2024 New American Employer Roundtable! Looking to expand your workforce? Explore the New American Market and tackle barriers like language, legal issues, transportation, and recruitment.

We'll continue discussing legal aspects of hiring immigrants and refugees as a follow up to our March 7th overview of Dayton's immigrant population and legal updates from experts.

### **EVENT INFORMATION & REGISTRATION**

## I-70/75 2024 Economic Development Summit

**October 18, 2024**  
**Sinclair College**

This year's summit is all about the topics that put Dayton on the map, Aerospace and Aviation! We have speakers coming from Wright Patterson Air Force Base, the Governor's Office, Sinclair Community College, Hartzell Propeller, and most Regional Airports to give updates, insights, and knowledge on the progression of this industry.

Special thanks to our title sponsor Level MB Construction for helping us "take flight" as we plan and market for this event. Please reach out to Clarence Rahman, Summit Chair for any questions or concerns about your sign up. You can reach him at [Rahmanc@mcoho.org](mailto:Rahmanc@mcoho.org)!

### **SUMMIT INFORMATION**

**OhioTechNet**



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**BUSINESS**

## Training Ohio's Manufacturing Workforce

The members of the Ohio Technical Skills Innovation Network, or Ohio TechNet is nationally recognized for developing & implementing collaborative, inclusive, innovative solutions that meet manufacturing and technology workforce needs.

Ohio TechNet supports workplace development and academic professionals at Ohio educational institutions to incubate, develop and sustain innovative programming that accelerates the growth of Ohio's manufacturing and technical

## Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans

The Reynolds and Reynolds Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans (EBV) program supports the success of military veterans who are aspiring entrepreneurs.

The EBV at Wright State is part of a larger consortium of higher education institutions, initiated by the Institute for Veterans and Military Families at Syracuse University. The consortium is comprised of universities across the U.S., including Texas A&M,

workforce.

Ohio TechNet partners benefit from peer-to-peer collaboration, technical assistance and access to resources, making program expansion and innovation at their institution more efficiently, faster to implement, and easier to sustain.

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UCLA, the University of Connecticut, Louisiana State University, Florida State University, Saint Joseph's University and the University of Missouri.

The full program is taught by entrepreneurs, professionals and faculty in Wright State University's Raj Soin College of Business who support small business development.

Post-9/11 veterans with honorable discharge are eligible to apply for the program. There is no requirement that applicants be enrolled as a student.

### **INFORMATION & APPLICATION**



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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