Pennsylvania SBDC Network Planning Statewide Events for Small Business Owners and Aspiring Entrepreneurs during Global Entrepreneurship Week

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. – The Pennsylvania Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) have announced a statewide series of events for small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs during Global Entrepreneurship Week (GEW), November 14-18, 2016. Events will take place across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to celebrate the innovators and job creators who launch startups that bring ideas to life, drive economic growth and expand human welfare.

The Pennsylvania SBDC joins thousands of GEW partner organizations representing more than 165 countries as part of the global initiative. Small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs in Pennsylvania are encouraged to attend a seminar or workshop in their local area, a full list of Pennsylvania SBDC GEW events are below.

STARTING YOUR BUSINESS

11/14/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Shamokin Dam, PA)
11/15/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Indiana, PA)
11/15/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Wilkes-Barre, PA)
11/15/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Coatesville, PA)
11/16/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Chester, PA)
11/16/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (DuBois, PA)
11/16/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Pittsburgh, PA)
11/16/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Exton, PA)
11/17/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (Scranton, PA)
11/17/2016 The First Step: Starting a Small Business (State College, PA)
11/18/2016 The Second Step in Starting Your Business: Developing a Business Plan (Pittsburgh, PA)

Entrepreneurs who are unable to attend an in-person First Step seminar can access the course online 24/7 at http://pasbdc.org/firststep.

GROWING YOUR BUSINESS

11/14/2016 Workshop: Dreams: Seen, Felt, and Heard – See how start-up Project Vive is helping people with communication-related disabilities with its speech generation device (State College, PA)
11/14/2016 Workshop: Digi Digits – 3D printing prosthetic devices (State College, PA)
11/15/2016 Understanding Financial Statements (North Huntingdon, PA)
11/15/2016 Women’s Entrepreneurship Center: Financial Confidence Workshop (Scranton, PA)
11/15/2016 Mindfulness as it Relates to Business (Clarion, PA)
11/16/2016 The Absolutely, Positively First Step of Marketing (Clearfield, PA)
11/16/2016 How to Market Effectively To Existing Customers (Clearfield, PA)
11/16/2016 The Business and Art of Crowdfunding and Micro-philanthropy (Lewisburg, PA)

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11/16/2016  Women’s Entrepreneurship Day Luncheon (State College, PA)
11/16/2016  Website Best Practices (Erie, PA)
11/16/2016  Perspectives: Entrepreneurial Women (State College, PA)
11/16/2016  The Ins and Outs of Creating a Successful App (State College, PA)
11/17/2016  Federal Tax Update (Clarion, PA)
11/17/2016  What Can I Deduct? (Erie, PA)
11/17/2016  Panel: Penn State Students and Alumni Shakeup their Start-ups: Shaking out the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly (State College, PA)
11/17/2016  Co-work at Startup Lewisburg during Global Entrepreneurship Week (Lewisburg, PA)
11/17/2016  Stand Out and Build an Effective Brand! (Clarion, PA)
11/18/2016  Special Topics in Taxation (Clarion, PA)
11/18/2016  Export Basics (Pittsburgh, PA)

BUSINESS PITCH COMPETITIONS
11/12/2016  Sunbury Business Pitch Competition Final (Sunbury, PA)
11/15/2016  BizPitch16 Final: Student Business Pitch Competition at Bucknell University (Lewisburg, PA)
11/17/2016  “Business in Berks” Pitch & Brew 2016 (Reading, PA)

The Pennsylvania SBDC is the only integrated statewide network that is a direct channel of services to help aspiring entrepreneurs in all 67 counties of the commonwealth unlock their potential and turn their dreams into thriving businesses. Each year, hundreds of new businesses are started with assistance from the SBDC.

The Pennsylvania SBDC network is proud to participate in GEW 2016 to promote business start-up growth and entrepreneurship in Pennsylvania. To follow the GEW conversation on Twitter, be sure to follow @gewusa and @pasmallbusiness and use #GEW and #GEW2016.

Registration and more details on all events occurring for GEW can be found by visiting www.pasbdc.org/events.

About Pennsylvania Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)
The Pennsylvania SBDC network is the only statewide, nationally accredited program that provides high quality one-on-one consulting, training and information resources to empower new and existing businesses. SBDC consultants work with entrepreneurs in confidential, individualized sessions to help them with a range of business issues including testing a new business proposition, shaping a business plan, investigating funding opportunities, and much more. The SBDC program is a public/private partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development and 18 universities and colleges across the Commonwealth. For more information on the Pennsylvania SBDC services and impact, please visit www.pasbdc.org.

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