



ST. LOUIS REGIONAL JUNE '15 CALENDAR OF NETWORKING EVENTS

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This document is a listing of networking events scheduled throughout the greater St. Louis region, including Missouri (St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and Jefferson County) and Illinois (St. Clair County, Madison County, and Monroe County).

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ST. LOUIS REGIONAL **CALENDAR OF NETWORKING EVENTS** **FOR JUNE**

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The following is a list of networking events in June 2015 that may be utilized by businesses, career center staff and partners, community organizations, and job seekers interested in participating in an On-the-Job Training (OJT) program in the greater St. Louis region. Many of the events are free to attend (plus the cost of your meal and beverages) unless indicated otherwise. The information provided in this calendar is as accurate as possible as of the date of this calendar. It is possible that changes in the scheduled events may occur prior to the date of the scheduled event. Therefore, it is advisable to verify the date, time, and location of the event prior to attending.

JOB FAIRS, RECRUITMENT EVENTS, AND OPEN HOUSES

June 1, 2015

Advantage Sales & Marketing Recruitment Event (event specialists)
American Job Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)
9am – Noon
For more information call 314/381-6700

June 2, 2015

Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark Culinary Career Fair
Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark (1 South Broadway, St. Louis, MO 63102)
3pm – 5pm
For more information go to www.stlouisballpark.hilton.com or call 314/421-1776
GC Services Job Fair (customer service call center)
500 Technology Dr. Weldon Spring, MO. 63304
10am – 2pm
For more information go to www.gcserv.com or call 636 793 1700

June 2 - 4, 2015 (weekly)

St. Louis Staffing Open House Recruitment Events
St. Louis Staffing (514 Earth City Plaza, Ste. 220, Earth City, MO 63045)
9am – 2pm
For more information contact Rosie Marquez at rmarquez@stlouis-staffing.com

June 2, 16, and 30, 2015

Extra Help Recruitment Event (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)
Alton WorkNet Center (612 W. St. Louis Ave., East Alton, IL 62024)
10am – Noon
Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walk-ins.

June 2, 2015 (weekly)

Forever 21 Job Fair (store associates)
West County Center (9 West County Center, Des Peres, MO 63131)
1pm – 4pm
Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark Recruitment Event (multiple PT/FT hospitality openings)
1 South Broadway, St. Louis, MO 63102
10am – 11am and 2pm - 3pm
For more information go to www.stlouisballpark.hilton.com or call 314/421-1776

June 3, 2015

American Staffing Recruitment Event (multiple production and warehouse positions)
American Job Center – St. Louis County (4040 Seven Hills Drive, Florissant, MO 63033)
11am – 3pm
For more information call 314/475-7900

June 3, 2015 (weekly)**Staff Management Interviewing Sessions** (warehouse and production associate positions)

Staff Management is scheduling interviews for these positions at
 American Job Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)
 8am – 4:30pm (every Wednesday)

Prior to being scheduled for an interview applicant MUST:

Apply online at <http://apply.smjobs.com> and use job code s34 or s33

Click start to begin the application stage (DO NOT TAKE SKILLS TEST)

After completing the application stage click RETURN TO JOB APPLICATION HISTORY to schedule an interview on one of the dates listed.

Express Employment Professionals and Keystone Staffing Recruitment Events

Belleville IDES (4519 W Main St., Belleville IL 62223)

10am – Noon

For more information call 618277-8908

June 4, 2015**St. Louis Job Fair**

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel St. Louis Westport (1973 Craigshire Road, St. Louis, MO 63146)

9am – 12:30pm

For more information go to www.hirelive.com

June 4 and 25, 2015**Extra Help Recruitment Event** (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

Nichols Community Center (515 East D St., Belleville, IL 62220)

3pm – 5pm

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walk-ins.

June 8, 2015**Congressional Career Fair**

Harris Stowe State University, Emerson Phys. Ed. & Performing Arts Center (3026 Laclede, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9:30am – 2:30pm

For more information call 314/367-1970 or go to www.lacyclay.house.gov

June 8 and 22, 2015**Extra Help Recruitment Event** (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

American Job Center – Florissant (4040 Seven Hills, MO 63033)

2pm – 4pm

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walk-ins.

June 10 and 24, 2015**Corporal Security Recruitment Event** (armed security guards)

SLATE American Job Center (1520 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

10am – 1pm

For more information contact Joel at jreinert@stlworks.com

Extra Help Recruitment Event (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

American Job Center of St. Charles (212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO 63376)

10:30am - Noon

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walk-ins.

June 11, 2015**St. Louis Career Fair**

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel St. Louis Westport (1973 Craigshire Road, St. Louis, MO 63146)

11am – 2pm

For more information go to www.choicecareerfaairs.com

Extra Help Recruitment Event (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

O'Fallon VFW (223 W. 1st St., O'Fallon, IL 62269)

2:30pm – 4:30pm

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walk-ins.

June 12 and 13, 2015**Schneider National Carriers Hiring Event/Transportation Career Information Session**

Schneider National Carriers (141 Enterprise Dr., Edwardsville, IL 62025)

6/12 Noon – 7pm

6/13 8am – Noon

For more information contact Doug at 618/406-9948

June 15, 2015**Missouri Central School Bus Recruitment Event** (School Bus Drivers)

American Job Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9:30am – 11am

For more information call 314/381-6700

June 16, 2015**Imperial Manufacturing Recruitment Event** (distribution and production positions)

American Job Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9am – Noon

For more information call 314/381-6700

June 16 and 30, 2015**Extra Help Recruitment Event** (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

Urban League (8960 Jennings Station Rd, St. Louis, MO 63136)

9:30am – 10:30am

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walkins.

June 17, 2015**Extra Help Recruitment Event** (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

Orr Weathers Community Center Room (1405 E. Broadway Bld 14., East St. Louis, IL 62201)

9:30am – 10:30am

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walkins.

June 18, 2015**St. Louis Union Station Hotel Recruitment Event** (distribution and production positions)

American Job Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9am – Noon

For more information call 314/381-6700

Extra Help Recruitment Event (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)

Holiday Inn Express (3396 Green Mount Crossing, Shiloh, IL 62269)

3pm – 5pm

Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com and then call 314/241-9675 for additional information. No walkins.

June 22, 24, and July 6, 2015**Scottrade Center/Peabody Opera House Recruitment Event**

(PT Guest Services Hosts, Guest Services Student Hosts, Guest Services Security for both Scottrade Center and Peabody Opera House)

Main Entrance of Scottrade Center (1401 Clark Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63103)

3pm – 7pm

For more information or to apply online go to <http://www.scottradecenter.com/about-us/employment> or <http://www.peabodyoperahouse.com/about-us/employment>

June 23, 2015**St. Louis Career Fair**

Renaissance St. Louis Grand Hotel (800 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63101)

11am – 2pm

For more information go to www.coasttocoastcareerfaairs.com

JOB SEARCH SUPPORT GROUPS

June 1, 2015 (weekly)

BBJ General Membership Meetings (West County area)

St. Mark Presbyterian Church (601 E. Claymont, Ballwin, MO 63011)

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Monday)

Cost to attend: \$40 initial annual membership fee; alumni (after one year) is \$20

For more information go to www.bbj.org or call 636/928-0828

June 2, 2015 (weekly)

Beyond Networking –STL Job Search Support Group (West County area)

Salem United Methodist Church (1200 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO)

9am – 11:30am (meets weekly on Tuesday)

No cost to attend

For more information go to www.beyondnetworking-stl.org or contact Jon Hild at 314/541-2966 or jhild1208@yahoo.com

St. Charles Missouri Career Center Job Search Group (JSG)

212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO 63376

9:30am – 11am

For more information or to register call 636/255-6060

June 3, 2015

CEN at Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne Job Search Support Group Meeting

Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne (7701 Hwy. N, Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368)

7pm – 8:30pm (1st Wednesday of month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org or contact Jeanne at jredtman@centurytel.net

June 4, 2015

CEN at Incarnate Word Job Search Support Group (West County area)

Incarnate Word Catholic Church (13416 Olive Rd., Chesterfield, MO east of Hwy. 141 and Olive)

7:30pm–9pm (meets 1st Thursday of every month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

Morning Star Church Job Connection Group (O'Fallon, MO area)

Morning Star Church (1600 Feise Rd., O'Fallon, MO 63368)

7pm - 8:30pm (meets on the 1st Thursday of every month)

For more information contact Kathy Frick at 636-561-5680 or kathy.frick@mscwired.org

June 4 and 18, 2015

New Hope Employment Ministry Meetings

New Hope Presbyterian Church (1580 Kisker Road, St. Charles, MO)

7pm – 9pm (1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month)

No cost to attend

For more information contact kirk.burrus@att.net

June 8, 2015

CEN at St. Joseph Job Search Support Group (Cottleville area)

St. Joseph Catholic Church – Cottleville, MO

7pm – 8:30pm (meets 2nd Monday of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

June 8 and 22, 2015

CEN at Ascension Parish Job Search Support Group (Chesterfield area)

Ascension Parish (Chesterfield, MO), basement of little church

7pm – 9pm (typically meets 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month)

To make a reservation or for more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

June 9, 2015

CEN at St. Monica Job Search Support Group Meeting

12136 Olive Blvd., Creve, Coeur, MO 63141

7pm – 8:30pm (usually meets 2nd Tuesday of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

June 18, 2015

Networking Happy Hour

Kreiger's (in Chesterfield on Clarkson Rd.)

5pm -8pm

No cost to attend

For more information contact Gus at hoel2@aol.com

JOB SEARCH WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, WEBINARS, AND CLASSES

SLATE American Job Center Job Search Workshops

SLATE Missouri Career Centers offers several free job search workshops throughout the month at 1520 Market Street, 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103
For more information on these workshops go to www.stlworks.com or call 314/589-8000

American Job Center - St. Louis County Job Search Workshops

American Job Center - St. Louis County offers several free job search workshops throughout the month at two locations:
North Oaks (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

Seven Hills (4040 Seven Hills Drive, Suite 166, Florissant, MO 63033)

For more information on these locations and workshops go to www.jobs.mo.gov/jobseeker/find-a-career-center/
registered job seeker customers of Missouri Career Center. To register for the course meet with a staff member at Missouri Career Center.

American Job Center of St. Charles County Job Search Workshops

St. Charles County Missouri Career Center (212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO)

Hosts free job search workshops throughout the month on several topics

For more information on these workshops call 636/278-1360 or go to <http://work.sccmo.org/workforce>

Building Union Diversity (BUD) – Currently recruiting for the next class of 20 eligible applicants

SLATE (St. Louis agency on Training and Employment) in partnership with the St. Louis Construction Trades Council is launching an innovative program designed to increase diversity within the construction trades.

Building Union Diversity (BUD), will provide pre-apprenticeship skills training for minorities, women and the long-term unemployed residents of the St. Louis region interested in pursuing one of many available careers in construction. BUD will consist of comprehensive and intensive eight-week pre-apprenticeship skills training course, taught by nationally certified and industry approved specialists in state-of-the-art facilities. Participants will learn skills required for entering apprenticeship with participating BUD Construction trades. Eligible participants can be provided with work-related equipment, transportation to training sites, and a training stipend (upon completion of the program).

To be eligible participants must be 18 years of age or older and able to pass a drug test.

To enroll, interested individuals must come to SLATE, 1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103, Monday–Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to complete an application and assessment.

Urban Strategies Inc.

Urban Strategies, Inc. is a national nonprofit with extensive experience in implementing place-based human capital development strategies in public housing communities that are undergoing comprehensive physical revitalization. Urban Strategies works to help communities build safe neighborhoods, enhanced schools, and a range of comprehensive human service supports. Our work is focused in urban core residential communities and is designed to build social and economic mobility for low-income families living in mixed-income communities.

For more information on programs and workshops go to <http://urbanstrategiesinc.org/>

Urban League Save Our Sons Career Readiness Training Program

This is a 4-week program held at St. Louis County American job Center (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121) providing career and job readiness training, job coaching, career inventory and assessment, linkages to occupational training, employment opportunities, and more!

For more information or to register go to <https://www.ulstl.com/save-our-sons/>

Career Advancement for International Professionals (CAIP)

This four-week program offered through the International Institute of St. Louis helps international candidates take control of their job search and reach the next level in their career. Features training on resume writing, interviews & professional communication, job-search tactics & social media, recertification & credentialing, and practical application & role-playing.

For more information or to enroll in this for-fee program contact Kelly Moore at 314/773-9090 x163 or moorek@iistl.org

Career Pathways Bridge Initiative

The goal of the program is to find employment for 3,000 unemployed and under-employed young adults in the North St. Louis City and County and connect thousands of area residents with training programs. In addition, this grant-funded program will engage 1,000 participants annually in skills training and 2,400 participants annually in work-readiness training. The program will be funded through a US DOL grant and led by a number of core community organizations, including the St. Louis County Division of Workforce Development, SLATE, MET Center-St. Louis, Family and Workforce Centers of America (FWCA) and the Governor's Office of Community Engagement.

Boeing Pre-Employment Training Program – FREE Tuition if accepted into the program!

This five week training program takes place at the Center for Workforce innovation at St. Louis Community College's Florissant Valley Campus.

Skills and qualifications needed to be considered:

- Must pass WorkKeys Assessment Tests (applied math, locating information, and reading for information)
- Must be mechanically inclined

To apply, email resume to wcdassemblymechanics@stlcc.edu or fax to 314/513-4604. For more information and schedule call 314/539-5921

Upon program completion, participants are eligible to interview for positions with Boeing.

Ameren Pre-Apprentice Lineman Training Program

If you are interested in an exciting career as an Ameren Apprentice Lineman in the St. Louis area, a program is beginning soon to teach you how to climb a utility pole and to help you prepare for the selection process at Ameren. This 5-week pre-employment program will be held at St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley. The program will include instruction in climbing a wooden utility pole and the opportunity for participants to improve employment skills to become successful apprentice lineman candidates. Participants will want to have good work boots with a heel. At the end of the five week program, successful participants will apply to Ameren and take the company's CAST test.

Participants passing the test will be considered by Ameren for the Apprentice Lineman position. For more information, call 314/549-5988

St. Louis Community College Professional Develop Programs

SLCC - Continuing Education offers a wide variety of developmental programs to build job skills for the role you have or foster the career you hope to develop. Programs extend to all segments of the workforce.

- Develop your work skills with Professional *Essentials* courses
- Start or build a business with our Business *Essentials* courses
- Find new employment with our Career *Essentials* courses.

For more information go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/Continuing-Education/> or call 314/984-7777

St. Louis Community College Accelerated Job Training

The Workforce Solutions Group has developed industry-specific training in partnership with the college's campuses and local employers to help adults retrain for in-demand occupations in shorter duration formats. Program offerings are based on demand and the availability of funding or industry partner participation. Call the accelerated job hotline at 314-539-5310 for more information.

Anyone interested either of these training programs should contact Rene Dulle at rdulle4@stlcc.edu or 314/539-5296.

Additional information for these trainings and all accelerated job trainings can be found at:

<http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/Accelerated-Job-Training/Index.html>

Mississippi River Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (MRTDL) Class A CDL Truck Driver Training

Now enrolling for Spring classes held at St. Louis Community College – Forest Park campus!

The truck driving program is a five-week program which prepares the graduate to enter the commercial driving industry as a over-the-road truck driver.

Students will rotate through a combination of classroom, driving simulator time, and several hours of road driving. The course covers such areas as safety, DOT rules and regulations, proper shifting techniques, pre-trip inspections, map reading, log books, handling of paperwork, cargo handling, highway driving, night driving, and metro driving.

Must be at least 21 years old and must have a good driving record and pass a DOT drug screening and physical.

For more information go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/MRTDL/Index.html> or contact Bahi Talundzic at 314-644-9786

Mississippi River Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (MRTDL) Aviation Job Training

Now enrolling for Spring classes held at St. Louis Community College – Florissant Valley campus!

These high-value training programs are grant-funded and are offered for a limited period of time at no cost to qualified students.

Avionics (Aviation Electronics) An accelerated 8-week practical, hands-on, non-credit course.

Aviation Maintenance Technology Prepare for Federal Aviation Administration Airframe and Powerplant certifications

For more information go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/MRTDL/Index.html> or contact Bahi Talundzic at 314-644-9786

Mississippi River Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (MRTDL) Warehouse and Distribution Specialist Training

Now enrolling for Spring classes held at St. Louis Community College – Forest Park campus!

This six-week program prepares you to launch your career in Logistics as a Logistics, Warehouse & Distribution Specialist. This high-value training program is grant-funded and offered for a limited period of time at no cost to qualified students. Prepare for front-line material handling and distribution positions across the supply chain — factory, warehousing, distribution, and transportation. Study with recognized industry experts and discover opportunities where your foundational knowledge, work ethic and commitment to excellence may lead to career advancement in this growing field.

For more information go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/MRTDL/Index.html> or contact Bahi Talundzic at 314-644-9786

MoManufacturingWINS – TUITION FREE TRAINING FOR ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES! (through 9/30/15)

MoManufacturingWINS will focus on preparing workers to earn nationally recognized credentials endorsed by the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM). Participating schools have chosen credentials leading to employment in advanced manufacturing and related careers in production, industrial maintenance, welding, machining and transportation and logistics. St. Louis Community College will award industry recognized certifications endorsed by the National Association of Manufacturers such as the National Career Readiness Certificate, The National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS) and the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC).

To learn more and complete an online application visit www.stlcc.edu/MMW/ or call 314/513-4612.

MoSTEMWINS

St. Louis Community College is participating in a statewide grant program – MoSTEMWINS – which allows qualified individuals to enter a no-fee MoSTEMWINS Portal program to discover your interests and select a STEM Career Pathway. Even if science and math were not your best subjects in high school, you may find that your life experiences have led you toward a STEM career. But maybe you need help in brushing up your skills.

MoSTEMWINS Portal

The no-fee MoSTEMWINS Portal program includes career coaching, digital literacy, a STEM Readiness course and a self-paced Adult Learning Academy.

Learning Community A supportive group of students attending classes together

Supportive Services Career pathway coach, including financial aid navigation

Apprenticeship/Internship opportunities

Job-seeking assistance

Adult Learning Academy Brush up on literacy and math skills with curriculum connected to job skills

Accelerated college and career readiness

STEM Career Pathways

Successful completion of the MoSTEMWINS Portal program qualifies you to enter one of three, fee-based and short-termed STEM programs, for which financial assistance is available:

[Patient Care Technician](#)

[Life Science Laboratory Assistant](#)

[IT Help Desk/End-User Support](#)

To learn more go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/MoSTEMWINS/index.html>

St. Patrick Center

At St. Patrick Center, we're one of Missouri's largest providers of housing, employment and health opportunities for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. We take an action-based approach to service and offer nationally recognized programs that assist more than 8,000 people each year.

Employment programs include:

- BEGIN New Venture Center
- Project Hero
- Homeless Employment Center (HEC)
- Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program
- McMurphy's Café

For more information go to www.stpatrickcenter.org

Project Xcel

This professional training program designed specifically for young people aging out of foster care to introduce them to meaningful careers with opportunities for advancement. Career-seekers will learn essential universal skills that build on a strong foundation in service excellence, including interpersonal and business communications, critical thinking, diversity, and much more. It also prepares career-seekers to earn employment recognized certificates. Trained community career coaches follow participants in the first 6-12 months of employment to ensure they are on track.

Project Xcel Career-seeker Qualifications: between the ages of 17-21 (who is aging or has aged out of foster care and not on a post-secondary education or career path), has a HS diploma or GED, drug-free, and lives in St. Louis City or County areas.

To learn more about how to get your future started, call 314/746-0872

MET Center offers FREE career training & supportive services to qualified candidates in following areas:

Business Office Applications Training (BOAT)	HVAC Service Technician
Bioscience Technology Program	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Program
Carpentry/Building Maintenance	Diesel Technology (DT)
Precision Machining Technology CNC Program	Industrial Certification Program

Open enrollment/orientation is offered every Tuesday 9am – Noon and Wednesday 1pm – 4pm

For more information call 314/746-0750 or go to www.metcenterstl.com

St. Louis County Library offers FREE Computer Classes and Job Search Workshops

Free computer classes are offered at many branches throughout the St. Louis County Library system. Participants are required to register up to 28 days in advance for a class prior to attending. To register contact your local St. Louis County Library branch. For more information about upcoming computer classes call 314/994-3300 or go to www.slcl.org/events/.

St. Louis City Library offers FREE Computer Classes and Job Search Workshops

St. Louis City Library offers FREE Computer Classes and Job Search Workshops

Free computer classes are offered at many branches throughout the St. Louis Public Library system. Look for the Internet Job search course, which allows attendees open computer time to have their digital employment needs met with the assistance of library staff. Participants may register beginning the fourth Wednesday of each month prior to attending. To register, contact your St. Louis Public Library branch. Quarterly schedules for classes are available at all branches. For more information about upcoming computer classes call 314/539-0302 or 314/539-0377 or go to www.slpl.org/events/calendar.asp

Urban League of Metro St. Louis, Inc. offers FREE Financial Education Training

8960 Jennings Station Road, St. Louis, MO 63136

Three session series of classes are offered every other week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday as follows:

Monday	1 - 4 pm	Budgeting
Wednesday	1 – 4pm	Making Your Money Work for You
Friday	1 – 4pm	Financial Recovery

For more information or to register contact Randen Click at 314/506-5337

Electro Savings Credit Union Financial Seminars

Electro Savings Credit Union offers several free one-hour Financial Seminars of topics such as Building a Basic Budget, Identity Theft, Building a Strong Credit History, and Checking Account Management. To learn more contact Pat Pettey at 314/434-6470 x1406 or ppettey@escu.org

Prosperity Connection (formerly St. Louis Community Credit Union Foundation) Financial Literacy Workshops

FREE financial literacy workshops offered through CU Excel Center (95 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121). To get more information about the workshops or to register go to <https://www.stlouiscommunity.com/community/our-cause/cu-excel-center>

June 1 - 4, 2015

Homeless Employment Program (HEP)

This bi-weekly, 4-day Job Readiness Training classes focus on basic skills in obtaining and retaining full time, permanent employment. We serve both veterans and civilians.

St. Patrick Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

June 3 and 4, 2015 (weekly on Wednesdays and Thursdays)

Weekly Job Search Workshops/Presentations

Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis (8960 Jennings Station Road, St. Louis, MO 63136)

10am – Noon (weekly workshops held on Wednesdays and Thursdays)

No cost to attend

6/3	Online/Manual Applications
6/4	Marketing Yourself
6/10	Resume Writing/Coaching
6/11	Interviewing Skills
6/12	MOCK INTERVIEWS
6/17	Online/Manual Applications
6/18	Marketing Yourself
6/24	Resume Writing/Coaching
6/25	Interviewing Skills
6/26	MOCK INTERVIEWS

For more information contact Hollis Whiting at 314/388-9840

June 3, 2015 (weekly)

LaunchCode Coder Girl 2.0

CoderGirl is a free, all-women's coding group open to women of any age, background, or skill level. Join us! Bring your laptop and learn to code.

CIC@4240 (4240 Duncan Ave., St. Louis, MO 63

6pm – 8pm

For more information or to RSVP go to https://www.launchcode.org/coder_girl

June 9 - 11, 2015**CAASTL Job Readiness Workshops**

2709 Woodson Rd., Overland, MO 63114

- Successful job search strategies
- Acing online applications
- Resume preparation
- Interviewing skills and coaching

Noon – 5pm (during the 2nd week of each month)For more information or to register contact James Ingram at 314/446-4431 or go to www.caastlc.orgJune 11 and 12, 2015**2-Day Career Workshop**

LDS Employment resource Services (12843 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044)

The Career Workshop is designed to help you develop the skills you need to achieve your career objectives. You will evaluate your talents, interests, and values. Set goals and develop a plan to achieve them. Identify and develop the resources you need to reach your goals. Learn how to make powerful impressions while networking, during interviews, and in written materials such as resumes and applications. It is a fun and interactive workshop. You will leave knowing how to do better with your presentations, resumes, job search, and interviews.

9am – 4:00pm (usually starts on 2nd Wednesday of each month, but call first as schedule may change)

Advance registration is required.

To register call 314/344-0050

June 11 and 25, 2015**Entrepreneurial Workshop: Legal Clinic**

The St. Louis Small Business and Technology Development Center has partnered with Legal Resources of Eastern Missouri to offer a Legal Clinic that provides one-on-one 30 minute sessions with a business attorney at no cost.

SLATE Missouri Career Center, 3rd Floor (1520 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

1pm – 3pm

Cost: Free but an appointment is necessary

For more information or to schedule an appointment go to www.missouribusiness.net or call 314/657-3547June 15 - 18, 2015**Homeless Employment Program (HEP)**

This bi-weekly, 4-day Job Readiness Training classes focus on basic skills in obtaining and retaining full time, permanent employment. We serve both veterans and civilians.

St. Patrick Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700June 15 - 19, 2015**FASTTRAC NewVenture 5-Day Workshop Series**

In FastTrac® NewVenture you will look at all aspects of your proposed company, exploring the feasibility of your business concept and learning how to develop a viable business plan. Participants will learn about start-up issues and learn to address the competition, legal matters, marketing and financial management aspects. FastTrac® participants don't just learn about business, they work on their own business endeavors throughout the course. This program is fast-paced and energizing, using guest speakers and lots of group breakout activities.

SLATE – American Job Center (1520 Market Street, Suite 3000, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9am – 4pm each day

Cost: \$795 per person; no cost to dislocated workers currently unemployed and registered in the WIA Program at one of the American Job Centers (go to <http://jobs.mo.gov>).

For more information or to register call Tiffany at 314/657-3547 or toddti@missouri.eduJune 16, 2015**Job Search Workshop: How to Use Social Media Effectively**SLATE American Job Center, Forest Park Conference Room (1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9am – 11am

Participants must be computer literate to attend this workshop.

For more information or to register contact SLATE at 314/589-8000

June 19, 2015**Professional Job Search Workshop Series: Just Ask Me with Frank Alaniz**SLATE American Job Center, Forest Park Conference Room (1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103)

8:30am – 10:30am

Participants must be computer literate to attend this workshop.

For more information or to register contact SLATE at 314/589-8000

June 23 - 25, 2015

CAASTL Job Readiness Workshops

2709 Woodson Rd., Overland, MO 63114

- Successful job search strategies
- Acing online applications
- Resume preparation
- Interviewing skills and coaching

Noon – 5pm (during the 4th week of each month)

For more information or to register contact James Ingram at 314/446-4431 or go to www.caastlc.org

June 24, 2015

Professional Job Search Workshop Series: On Applications

Topics covered includes: Online Application Process, resume Review, Interview Prep, How to use technology to find employers, how to navigate the hidden job market, how to find HR managers/contacts using LinkedIn, how to successfully navigate a career fair, and much more.

SLATE American Job Center, Forest Park Conference Room (1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9am – 3pm (with a half hour break for lunch)

Participants must be computer literate to attend this workshop.

For more information or to register contact SLATE at 314/589-8000

June 26, 2015

Professional Job Search Workshop Series: LinkedIn with Frank Alaniz

SLATE American Job Center, Forest Park Conference Room (1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9am – 10:30am

Participants must be computer literate to attend this workshop.

For more information or to register contact SLATE at 314/589-8000

June 29 – July 2, 2015

Homeless Employment Program (HEP)

This bi-weekly, 4-day Job Readiness Training classes focus on basic skills in obtaining and retaining full time, permanent employment. We serve both veterans and civilians.

St. Patrick Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

VETERANS SUPPORT RESOURCES AND EVENTS

This is a list of support resources and events available to our military veterans and their spouses/families

Veterans ReEmployment

<http://www.careeronestop.org/ReEmployment/Veterans/Default.aspx>

Veterans ReEmployment is a one-stop site for employment, training and financial help for veterans after a layoff.

American Job Centers

www.jobs.mo.gov

Dedicated Veterans Outreach staff are stationed at most of the American Job Centers located throughout the state. *Local Veterans Employment Representatives* provide assistance in job placement and accessing needed services and *Disabled Veterans Outreach Program specialists* provide case management and develop career and job training opportunities for veterans, with special emphasis on veterans with service-connected disabilities.

Disabled Veteran Outreach Center

<http://www.ides.illinois.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

Employment workshops are offered to our veterans on the third Thursday of each month for 10am – 11:30am at the East Alton location (612 West St. Louis St., East Alton, IL 62024). Workshops are five subjects presented on a rotating schedule: Starting the Job Search, Job Search Techniques, Writing Effective Resumes, Interviewing with Confidence, and Success on the Job

US Dept. of Veterans Affairs

<http://benefits.va.gov/benefits/>

Provides patient care and other veterans' benefits.

Vet Centers

<http://www.vetcenter.va.gov/>

Vet Centers provide readjustment counseling and outreach services to all veterans who served in any combat zone. Services are also available for their family members for military related issues.

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve

www.esgr.mil

ESGR facilitates and promotes a cooperative culture of employer support for National Guard and Reserve service by developing and advocating mutually beneficial initiatives. Paramount to ESGR's mission is encouraging employment of Guardsmen and Reservists in the civilian workforce.

Show Me Heroes/Show Me Heroes OJT Program

www.showmeheroes.mo.gov

In January 2010, Governor Nixon launched the 'Show-Me Heroes' initiative to help Missouri's Veterans and members of the National Guard & Reserve reconnect with meaningful careers, and to showcase Missouri employers who have pledged to do so. The SMH On-the-Job Training Program offers financial to help your business save training costs while preparing new hires for your vital jobs.

Veterans Economic Communities Initiative (VECI)

The VECI aims to increase the number of education and employment opportunities for Veterans and their families through a network of support at the community level. The first 25 VECI communities have been established and include St. Louis, MO. Economic Liaisons in each VECI community will collaborate with government leaders, businesses, educational institutions and nonprofit organizations to help build an integrated network of support and resources for Veterans and their families.

Return with Purpose

www.returnwithpurpose.org

Return With Purpose assists those Veterans returning to civilian life by providing a facilitated change workshop, Return With Purpose! to successfully transition back to work, family and the community.

St. Patrick Center Veteran Support Serviceswww.stpatrickcenter.org

St. Patrick Center provides services to veterans to get help with housing, employment and health. Agency programs include Independent Living Skills and Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, Job Experience Training, Project HERO, and Veterans Go! Green, Supportive services for Veteran Families.

Webster U. Returning Military Serviceswww.webster.edu

The SERVICE program is designed to help returning veterans adjust and succeed during their college experience. For any returning veterans who would like more information about utilizing the program or classroom accommodations, contact Shelley Stevens at 314-246-8284 or shelleystevens@webster.edu.

UMSL Veterans Affairs Office<http://www.umsl.edu/veterans/>

The Veteran Affairs Office serves as liaison to government offices to provide information on educational benefits, privileges, and responsibilities relating to Veteran Administration benefits. A certifying official is available to answer questions and process official paperwork.

St. Louis U. Military Outreachwww.slu.edu/military-student-resources-home/veterans-benefits-and-resources

Saint Louis University is proud to help veterans succeed in their educational goals.

St. Louis Community College Veterans Serviceswww.stlcc.edu/veterans

St. Louis Community College Veterans Affairs is here to facilitate a more seamless transition from boots to bookbag. We are devoted to assisting our veterans in applying for benefits, registering for courses and facilitating successful program completion.

St. Charles Community College Veteran Serviceswww.stchas.edu/veterans

If you or your family members are eligible for VA education benefits, the VA School Certifying Official will certify your enrollment at SCC and provide financial and academic counseling. SCC's military "one-stop-shop" is a place you can come for comprehensive services from admission to graduation.

Hiring Our Heroeswww.hiringourheroes.org

Hiring Our Heroes was launched in March 2011 as a nationwide initiative to help veterans and military spouses find meaningful employment.

The Mission Continueswww.missioncontinues.org

The Mission Continues awards community service fellowships to post-9/11 veterans, empowering them to transform their own lives by serving others and directly impacting their communities. Each Fellow works to achieve a post-fellowship goal of full time employment and/or pursuit of higher education, while maintaining a permanent role of public service.

Veterans for Peacewww.veteransforpeace.org

Veterans for Peace is a global organization of Military Veterans and allies whose collective efforts are to build a culture of peace.

Dept. of Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS)

VETS serves America's veterans and separating service members by preparing them for meaningful careers, providing employment resources and expertise, and protecting their employment rights.

The Veterans Landingwww.theveteranslanding.com

The Veterans Landing is the beginning of a movement created by the St. Louis Community for our nations heroes. The Veterans Landing is a culmination of veteran efforts to live our mission, which is continuing to serving our great country, metro area and each other. Initially the renovation will consist of turning the Cass Bank into a communications hub for the estimated 250,000 Veterans, Active Duty Military, Reserve and National Guard that pass through the St. Louis area each year. The key elements of the Veterans Landing are:

- Rally point for all veterans in St. Louis area
- Center for all resources that are Veteran related
- Hub for Veteran remembrance and history
- Working businesses that employ local veterans
- Veteran Affairs Outreach Center
- Volunteer Headquarters for St.L Service Platoons
- Museum and Interpretive Center for St. Louis Military History
- Spartan Pledge Headquarters for war-fighters
- Food Bank for veterans and families

The American Legionwww.legion.org

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization

Scott AFB Airman & Family Readiness Centerwww.scottafr.com

The Airman & Family Readiness Center is a Commander's tool to assist in development and execution of services, activities, and processes which enhance individual, family, and community readiness, quality of life, and motivation to service.

St. Louis Veteran's Business Network (STLVBN) www.stlvbn.com

The St. Louis Veteran's Business Network was formed as a grassroots effort to help Veterans in business with a larger voice to assist each other and put our great companies/small businesses/ entrepreneurs on a stage that will broadcast our collective message to the General Public who would like to do business with a Veteran. Membership is open to Veterans, Veterans Families and anyone/company that supports Veterans. The following are a few of the benefits for joining:

- 4 monthly networking events on 1st Tuesday, 2nd Tuesday, 3rd Wednesday, and 4th Wednesday
- Special events as we develop more opportunities
- Business directory online
- Social media presence for your business
- Business mentoring
- Business opportunities
- Veteran apparel store
- Veteran buying power
- Veteran Issue support and inside VA information

Veterans Recruitingwww.veteranrecruiting.com

This is a free service for military personnel and veterans who will be transitions in the near future, or have already left the service. You will have real team access to industry leading employers who have a deep commitment to hiring veterans and military spouses. You can participate in our online career fairs from anywhere in the world with an internet connection.

Veterans Curation Program (VCP)www.veteranscurationprogram.org

The Veterans Curation Program (VCP) is an innovative partnership between cultural resources management contractors and a federal agency to process federally owned or administered archaeological collections while employing and training recently separated veterans. This site presents information about the VCP and the work being performed by its labs and provides potential applicants with links to contractor websites and application forms.

Veterans Business Resource Centerwww.vetbiz.com

Our mission is to assist veterans and former service members that want to launch, grow, or sell their businesses. We provide counseling, mentoring, resources, and education for those seeking the next level of achievement.

Boots to Business Entrepreneurship Training Program www.boots2business.org

Boots to Business—the entrepreneurship track of the Department of Defense’s Transition Assistance Program (TAP)—has provided entrepreneurship and business planning training to members of America’s armed forces who are transitioning to civilian life, giving them the tools to start their own successful companies. The training program provides military service members and their spouses the opportunity to explore business ownership and self-employment, helps them evaluate the feasibility of their business concepts and connects the aspiring business owners to SBA’s network of resource partners. Boots to Business is available at no charge on military installations worldwide to Service members and military spouses transitioning or retiring from service

June 2, 2015

Coffee/Reveille Networking Event

American Legion Post 213 (217 Shumate Ave., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

7:30am – 9:30am (1st Tuesday of each month)

For more information go to www.stlvbn.com or contact Mike at 314/363-3715

June 6, 2015

Veterans Job Search Workshop

Military personnel who are making the transition from service to civilian life are encouraged to take advantage of a free session planned by Return With Purpose

Southwest Illinois Community College (SWIC), 2500 Carlyle Avenue, Liberal Arts Bldg., Rm. 3311, Belleville, IL 62221

7:45am – 5pm

For more information or to register contact Gregg at gregg.ganschaw@returnwithpurpose.org or call 314/520-2046

June 6, 13, and 20, 2015

Veterans’ Writing Workshop (3 part workshop series)

St. Louis Public Library is proud to offer veterans and their families the opportunity to develop and polish their writing skills, a 3-part series on the basics of storytelling. By the end of this session, students should be armed with a working, tentative outline for drafting.

St. Louis Public Library - Central (1301 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

10:30am – 2:30pm

For more information go to <http://www.slpl.org/events/calendar.asp>

June 8, 2015

Chow Hall Lunch Networking

American Legion Post 397 (934 Rue de La Banque, Creve Coeur, MO 63141)

11am – 1pm (2nd Monday of each month)

For more information go to www.stlvbn.com or contact Mike at 314/363-3715

June 8 - 12, 2015

Homeless Veterans Job Readiness Training Program (HVRP)

In this intensive employment program, veterans receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues. For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

St. Patrick Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

June 10, 2015

West St. Louis County Working Warriors Networking Meeting

This opportunity is open to all veterans who have served/are serving and to all businesses who serve our veterans in the St. Louis Region.

Lucky's Market (15830 Fountain Plaza Drive, Ellisville, MO 63017)

8:30am – 9:30am

For more information go to www.westcountychamber.com

June 13 and 20, 2015

Bootstrap Training Program for Veterans (2 Saturdays)

Provides qualified veterans with intensive training and educational tools to facilitate entrepreneurial endeavors and promote new business startup and growth in the community. The curriculum includes courses that provide business skills training, marketing, bookkeeping, and financial projections, all geared toward connecting the skill-base of veterans with their aspirations. We will use the Lean Canvas model to guide and instruct the class

Helix Center (1100 Corporate Square Drive, Creve. Coeur, MO 63132)

9am – 3pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to <http://sba-vboc.ecenterdirect.com/ConferenceDetail.action?ID=4002>

June 17, 2015

Early Liberty Call Networking Event

American Legion Post 208 (225 Old Sulphur Spring Rd., Manchester, MO 63021)

3pm – 6pm (3rd Wednesday of each month)

For more information go to www.stlvbn.com or contact Mike at 314/363-3715

June 18, 2015

Veterans Job Search Club/Workshop

American Job Center (612 West St. Louis Ave., East Alton, IL 62024)

10am – 11:30am

For more information or to register contact Lee Russell at William.russell@illinois.gov or 618/259-9500 x360

June 19, 2015

Vet Net

CATCO (2685 Metro Blvd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

9am – 10am

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

June 22 - 26, 2015

Homeless Veterans Job Readiness Training Program (HVRP)

In this intensive employment program, veterans receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues.

For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

St. Patrick Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

June 24, 2015

After Hours Networking Event for Vets

American Legion Post 101 (2721 Collier Ave., Brentwood, MO 63144)

5pm – 7pm (4th Wednesday of each month)

For more information go to www.stlvbn.com or contact Mike at 314/363-3715

DISABILITY COMMUNITY SUPPORT RESOURCES AND EVENTS

This is a list of support resources and events available to our disability community and companies seeking to employ members of the disability community.

RESOURCE AND AGENCY DIRECTORIES

Directory of Resources for Missourians with Disabilities <http://transitioncoalition.org/transition/moca/2006resourcedirectory.pdf>

Published by the Governor's Council on Disability. The directory lists programs and services of state and local offices, private agencies and other organizations serving people with disabilities.

State of Missouri Disability Portal

<http://disability.mo.gov/>

This site contains a wealth of information and links to key agencies that can provide assistance and direction. Information on the Governor's Council can also be accessed from this website.

FUNDING SOURCES

Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation <http://dese.mo.gov/adult-learning-rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation>

Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (MDVR) operates under the Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE). The Division is made up of three core programs: Vocational Rehabilitation (VR), Disability Determination Services (DDS), and Independent Living (IL). If you want to work but have a disability that keeps you from finding or keeping a job, Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) may be able to help you. VR specializes in employment and training services that can assist you in becoming employed. A VR counselor will determine your eligibility for services. VR offers a wide range of services that are individualized for your needs. You and your counselor decide which services will help you become employed.

Department of Mental Health – Employment First

<http://dmh.mo.gov/dd/progs/employment.html>

The Division of Developmental Disabilities is committed to enhancing community employment options for persons with developmental disabilities. The guiding principle of Employment First is that all individuals who want to work can work and contribute to their community when given opportunity, training, and supports that build upon their unique talents, skills and abilities. Everyone of working age, and those supporting them, should consider employment as the first option prior to any other service options. As fully participating members of their community, individuals with developmental disabilities will be afforded the opportunity to earn a living wage and engage in work that makes sense to them. Career exploration and planning will be supported when assisting individuals in making informed choices in designing their unique pathway to increased independence, integration, inclusion, productivity, self-determination.

Rehabilitation Services for the Blind (RSB)

<http://dss.mo.gov/fsd/rsb/>

Rehabilitation Services for the Blind (RSB) provides services to people with varying degrees of visual impairment, ranging from those who cannot read regular print to those who are totally blind. Those services are designed to create opportunities for eligible blind and visually impaired persons so that they can attain training and resources to prepare for and successfully engage in employment.

Productive Living Board for St. Louis County Vocational Services

<http://www.plboard.com/>

The Productive Living Board for St. Louis County Citizens with Developmental Disabilities contracts with over 40 different agencies that will provide services to approximately 4,500 individuals with developmental disabilities in St. Louis County. Vocational services offered (a) focus on a person with a developmental disability obtaining and maintaining meaningful employment and (b) promote the acquisition of vocational skills, formation of relationships in the employment environment and the use of transportation systems, progressing towards independent living.

DIRECT EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (SERVICE PROVIDERS)

MERS/Goodwill Industries Mission in Action

<http://mersgoodwill.org/mission-in-action/programs-services/services-offered>

Provides vocational evaluation; skills training; community placement; work adjustment training; supported employment. The primary focus and success of MERS/Goodwill's employment and rehabilitation programs is in our ability to prepare people for the world of work. To be successful on a job involves having sufficient self-esteem and self-confidence, meeting the challenges of one's personal life and being able to deal with the complexities of interpersonal relationships with co-workers and supervisors, as well as being able to perform the actual work tasks. MERS/Goodwill provides the opportunity to work toward the goals needed to achieve the maximum level of productivity in one's personal life and employment.

BJC Behavioral Health

<http://www.bjcbehavioralhealth.org/>

BJC Behavioral Health provides and coordinates an array of mental health services for citizens residing in St. Louis City, St. Louis County, and other counties of Missouri. We serve as the point of entry for people eligible for services funded through the Missouri Department of Mental Health, and we also provide services under some health plans and grants. The mission of BJC Behavioral Health is to improve the mental health and well-being of the people and communities we serve who are impacted by mental illness. We deliver services that are primarily community-based and coordinate them with a variety of agencies and resources in the community.

Easter Seals Midwest Employment Services

<http://www.eastersealsmidwest.org/What-We-Do/Our-Programs/Employment-Services>

Easter Seals Midwest's Employment Services are designed to provide you or your loved one with the next steps after school, whether a teen is preparing for life after high school, a graduate is looking for work or an individual needs daily site-based skills instruction. Easter Seals Midwest has a variety of programs available and will help you find the one that is right for you and your family. Easter Seals Midwest matches qualified applicants with meaningful employment with the following types of employers: sports/entertainment venues, grocers, factories/labs, faith-based and other nonprofit organizations, government entities, restaurants and retail businesses. The anticipated outcomes for people in Employment Services are: to work at a job of their choice that matches their skills and interests, to develop working and social relationships with their coworkers, to develop natural supports at work, to make changes or upgrades to their employment when they desire to do so, and to enhance and educate the community through their positive contributions.

St. Patrick's Center – Worknet

www.worknetnow.com

Worknet is an employment network of the Social Security Administration. Worknet specializes in placing highly qualified workers in both contingent and direct hire opportunities in private industry. Worknet specialists in matching both professional the qualifications of the client and personality with the organization's culture to find the ideal fit. As an employment network, we assist those that receive SSI and/or SSDI with the supports and services needed to get and keep a job. Our goal is to help clients prepare for, choose, and keep the job they want.

Paraquad

<http://www.paraquad.org/>

Paraquad is a private 501(c)(3), not-for-profit with a mission to empower people with disabilities to increase their independence through choice and opportunity.

Boone Center (BCI) Community Employment Program

<http://boonecenter.com/employment/opportunities-for-adults-with-disabilities/community/>

The BCI Community Employment program is tailored specifically to the needs of each of our individual clients. The innovative and unique approach that BCI takes to supporting individuals through competitive employment encourages both success and an appropriate degree of independence. The participants in BCI's Community Employment Program are offered varying levels of support, forming a continuum of employment guidance for individuals with disabilities:

- Career Assessment
- Job Development
- OJT
- Follow Along Services

Center for Head Injury

<http://www.headinjuryctr-stl.org/employment.html>

The Center's Employment Services creates employment opportunities and supports after obtaining the job through a variety of tailor-made employment services. Programs and services provided include:

- Job Development
- Employment Support Services / Job Club
- Job Coaching / Job Site Support Specialist
- Followup / Retention

UCP (United Cerebral Palsy) Heartland Employment Resources

<http://www.ucpheartland.org/services/st-louis-adult-services/employment-resources>

The Employment Resources Department is designed to provide employment assistance (obtaining and maintaining competitive employment) within the community to individuals with severe physical and/or multiple disabilities or to those who have traditionally had difficulty in gaining or retaining employment due to other factors. Employment Services utilizes a variety of assessment, placement, and retention services.

St. Louis ARC Employment Services

https://www.slarc.org/site/446/employment_services.aspx

The St. Louis Arc is a non-profit, United Way agency that provides support and services to more than 3,500 adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families, throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area. The St. Louis Arc's Employment Services supports adults in seeking part- and full-time paid employment, provides initial and ongoing job coaching and retention services and works with employees and their supervisors to ensure successful job placements.

Next Step for Life Employment Services

<http://www.nextstepforlife.org/es.html>

Employment Services assists adults with disabilities in obtaining and maintaining meaningful employment. Individuals with developmental, as well as physical and other disabilities can be eligible for services. Eligibility and referrals are determined through the Missouri Division of Vocational Rehabilitation or Rehabilitation Services for the Blind. Programs offered by Employment Services provide work assessments, job skills training, job placement and job retention. Through these programs people are placed in competitive employment in the community, where work provides them with more than a paycheck. Responsibility, self-esteem, social skills and a feeling of giving back are just a few of the rewards. Employment Services also employs individuals and teaches valuable work skills through contracted work with partnering businesses in the community.

Preferred Family Healthcare (formerly known as Alternative Opportunities)

<http://aoinc.org/category/employment-services/>

Preferred provides employment assessment, employment placement assistance, employment skill training, job coaching; job counseling, job development, job information, job matching, job modifications, job placement, supported employment, and transition programs

Community Living Inc. (CLI) Employment Services

<http://www.cliservices.org/Services/EmploymentServices.aspx>

Community Living works to enrich the lives of people with disabilities so they can achieve their highest potential. We do this this by providing children and adults with services and programs that allow them to live, learn and work in our community. In turn, they make our community inclusive, diverse and a better place to live.

Places for People

<http://www.placesforpeople.org/who-we-serve/employment-support>

Places for People provides Individual Placement and Support (IPS) to help people with severe mental illness get and maintain competitive jobs. Research demonstrates that IPS, an evidence-based practice, is the most effective way to assist and support competitive employment in the community for people with severe mental illnesses.

Independence Center

<https://www.independencecenter.org/about/>

Independence Center is committed to providing a comprehensive system of high quality programs and services that assists adults in the St. Louis metropolitan area with serious and persistent mental illnesses to live and work in the community, independently and with dignity. To accomplish its mission, the Center promotes rehabilitation and employment, provides educational, social and housing opportunities and offers training in its approach to community based care.

SHELTERED WORKSHOPS

Project Inc.

www.projectinc.org

A sheltered workshop that provides job training and long-term dignified employment to help deserving individuals achieve a dignified, fulfilling, happy life.

Heartland Industries, Inc.

<http://www.heartlandindustries.org/>

The mission of Heartland Industries, Inc. is to provide quality business services ranging from shrink wrapping, packaging, printing, bindery services and bulk mailing to a variety of fulfillment services. We extend dignified employment opportunities to the intellectually challenged and to those with other disabilities.

Lafayette Industries

<http://www.lafayetteindustries.com/>

We are a contract packager offering shrink wrap, blister pack, display assemblies and more for our corporate clients. Our mission is to exceed our customer's expectations while employing hundreds of adults with disabilities within our packaging operation.

Valley Industries

<http://www.valleyind.net/>

Valley Industries is a sheltered workshop for outsource flexible contract packaging and assembly with a mission to provide dignified and meaningful employment for adults with developmental disabilities while providing outstanding quality and services for our valued customers.

Canterbury Enterprises Inc.

<http://www.canterburyinc.org/>

A sheltered workshop that provides meaningful work for people with disabilities in an accepting and nurturing atmosphere in which they are contributing members of society.

JSI (Jeffco)

www.jsi.org

A sheltered workshop for outsourced labor, packaging, and assembly projects. JSI brings each project high-quality workmanship, competitive prices and prompt fulfillment of contracts. We not only provide our handicap workers a safe place to work, we help to create a sense of pride in the workmanship so often missing from today's workforce.

Empac Group Inc.

<http://empacgroupinc.com/>

Empac Group provides meaningful employment to individuals impacted by disabilities in the area in Franklin and St. Louis Counties. Sheltered Workshop employment is available, in addition to placement in jobs within the community, such as with a fast food restaurant or grocer.

Lighthouse for the Blind

www.lhbindustries.com

Services: computer modifications; computer training; fund raising; job coaching; job counseling; job development; job placement; job skills training program; newsletter; sheltered employment; tuition assistance

BUSINESS TECHNICAL SUPPORT & ACCOMODATIONS

DOL Office of Disability Employment Policy and Technical Assistance Resources

<http://www.dol.gov/odep/resources/>

ODEP promotes the adoption and implementation of ODEP policy strategies and effective practices — meaning those that ODEP has developed and/or validated — that will impact the employment of people with disabilities. To develop and influence disability employment-related policies and practices, ODEP sponsors the following policy and technical assistance resources.

Partnership on Employment & Accessible Technology (PEAT) — Partnership which promotes the employment, retention, and career advancement of people with disabilities through the development, adoption, and promotion of accessible technology.

Job Accommodation Network (JAN) — Leading source of free, expert and confidential guidance on workplace accommodations and disability employment issues.

National Employer Technical Assistance Center — Collaborative that researches, influences and develops inclusive employer practices and policies and, through the Employer Assistance and Resource Network (EARN), helps employers hire and retain workers with disabilities.

National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth (NCWD/Youth) — Partnership to promote success for youth with disabilities entering the world of work.

Starkloff Disability Institute/The Next Big Step

<http://starkloff.org/s/the-next-big-step/>

The Starkloff Disability Institute offers speakers & other events to help promote employment for those with disabilities. They also host a workshop series for those with disabilities to help them in their quest for finding satisfying employment. The Next Big Step partners with "Role Model Companies" and "Partner Organizations" to help the Role Model Companies find disabled job candidates through Partner Organizations whom they can hire, retain, and promote.

RelayMissouri

<http://www.relaymissouri.com/>

Relay Missouri is a service that provides full telephone accessibility to people who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and speech disabled.

Deaf Way Interpreting Services

<http://deafway.net/>

Deaf Way Interpreting Services provides the St. Louis area with sign language interpreting needs.

The Employment Collaborative

<http://www.ucpheartland.org/services/st-louis-adult-services/employment-collaborative>

The Employment Collaborative works with local companies, school-based employers, and employment provider agencies to build relationships that lead to employment for people with developmental disabilities. We provide a wide variety of services for our employers and partner agencies including training, job creation and identification, candidate screening, and long term support to ensure employer satisfaction.

Job Accommodation Network

<http://askjan.org/>

Provides advice and ideas for making reasonable accommodations for employees or job applicants who are disabled.

EARN (Employer Assistance Resource Network)

<http://www.askearn.org/>

EARN is a resource for employers to encourage the hiring, retaining and advancing qualified individuals with disabilities which includes sharing of the "best" employer-focused disability practices and policies.

St. Louis Office for Developmental Disability Resources

<https://www.stlidd.org/>

Provides and coordinates services for St. Louis City residents who have developmental disabilities.

Employment Incentives

<http://www.employmentincentives.com/index.htm>

A website that promotes and shares information about the economic incentives available to businesses that hire and retain employees with disabilities. This site has information on Federal and state programs and initiatives designed to promote the hiring of qualified candidates with disabilities.

St. Louis Community College Access Office Disability Support Services

www.stlcc.edu/access

The Access office at each campus offers support services to students with disabilities and faculty and staff who work with these students. The mission of the Access office is to collaborate with faculty, staff, students and the community to encourage a college environment in which individuals are viewed on the basis of ability, not disability. This is done by:

- Certifying and coordinating appropriate accommodations to promote access for persons with disabilities.
- Providing students with disabilities advising and counseling services that consider disability-related issues.
- Minimizing physical and attitudinal barriers.
- Building relationships and resources within the college and its community.

Ultimately, we envision a college community which values the contributions of all members regardless of disability and provides the opportunity for them to realize their greatest potential.

Empower Missouri

<http://www.empowermotraining.org/>

Offers on-line training modules. This curriculum contains two modules. Each interactive module provides helpful information about employing people with disabilities.

1. Diversity in Employment & Disability Awareness
2. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) & Reasonable Accommodations

EMPLOYER-BASED TRAINING PROGRAMS

The following employer-based programs are available to assist individuals with disabilities receive job-related training

Project SEARCH St. Louis

<http://projectsearchstl.weebly.com/>

Project SEARCH is an internationally recognized school-to-work transition program for 18-20 year old young adults with developmental disabilities. The desired outcome for all students is full-time competitive employment. Offered through Easter Seals Midwest, individuals must go through their local school district to access this program (currently available in St. Charles through BJC – St. Peters and Embassy Suites and in St. Louis City through the VA Health Center). They learn job skills that are systematic, but routine, and are in their areas of interest. In addition to job training, all students receive job development services, job coaching, and follow-along and retention services when they become competitively employed.

Pathway to Employment

www.empacgroupinc.com

The program is a partnership between Mercy Hospital, Empac Group & Franklin Co. School Districts (in Franklin County), SSD & St. Louis ARC (in St. Louis County), Jefferson County School Districts & Next Step for Life), and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. The goal of Pathway to Employment is for each student intern to find a job after graduation. It could be the job he has been doing at Mercy, if there is an opening, or it could be a similar job at another company. Pathway to Employment is similar to a national program called Project SEARCH, a business-led, one year school-to-work program that takes place entirely at the workplace for youth with significant disabilities.

Businesses interested in learning more about being part of the program should contact Himmelberg at 314/703-4525 or

chimmelberg@empacgroupinc.com.

RITA (Regional Industry Training & Employment Academy)

www.ucphartland.org

The Regional Industry Training & Employment Academy (RITA) is a new project of UCP Heartland's Employment Resources department to provide job support to individuals with disabilities. The primary focus of the position is to support individuals engaged in a training program at local partner Hotel locations, in the Metropolitan St. Louis City and County area. For more information contact Joe Dennehy, Project Manager - Talent Connect at dennehyj@ucphartland.org

Talent Connect

www.talentconnectstl.org

Talent Connect is a new project of Center for Head Injury Services to provide job support to individuals with disabilities. The primary focus of the position is to support individuals engaged in a training program at local partner manufacturing (production & distribution) in the Metropolitan St. Louis City and County area.

PROFESSIONAL/INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS & ORGANIZATIONS

Eastern Missouri Chapter of Missouri Rehabilitation Association

<http://www.mo-rehab.org/emchapter.html>

The mission of the Missouri Rehabilitation Association shall be carried out by activities such as:

- Provide, through conference on a state level, a forum for the discussion of all the problems relating to total rehabilitation for persons with disabilities.
- Encourage an interdisciplinary approach to problems of rehabilitation through maximum use of knowledge and skills of all professions.
- Increase public understanding of the social and economic gain to individuals and to the State through providing opportunities for all persons with disabilities in Missouri to become self-sufficient, self-supporting and contributing members of society.

APSE-MO (Missouri Association of People Supporting Employment First)

<http://www.apsemo.org/>

APSE-MO is the Missouri State Chapter of APSE The Network on Employment, a national organization committed to improving and expanding integrated employment opportunities, services, and outcomes for people experiencing disabilities.

Down Syndrome Association

<http://dsagsl.org/>

Just recently started efforts on helping people with disabilities to become employed. They have held some workshops designed to help people with Down Syndrome to better prepare for job seeking. They have also held some workshops to help parents support their children in their job seeking efforts.

EMPLOYMENT FIRST INITIATIVES/DISABILITY DIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVES

Missouri Developmental Disabilities Council (MDDC)

<http://moddcouncil.org/>

The Missouri Developmental Disabilities Council is a federally-funded, 23-member, consumer-driven council appointed by the Governor. Its mandate is to assure that individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to needed community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration in all aspects of community life.

National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities (NASDDDS)

<http://www.nasddd.org/>

The National Association of States Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) represents the nation's agencies in 50 states and the District of Columbia providing services to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. NASDDDS promotes visionary leadership, systems innovation, and the development of national policies that support home and community-based services for individuals with disabilities and their families. The association's goal is to promote and assist state agencies in developing effective, efficient service delivery systems that furnish high-quality supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

State Employment Leadership Network (SELN)

<http://www.selnmembers.org/>

The State Employment Leadership Network (SELN) is a partnership of the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) and the Institute of Community Inclusion at the University of Massachusetts Boston (ICI). The SELN provides technical assistance and guidance to state I/DD agencies to develop more effective employment systems and partnerships. The network is a place where states can connect, collaborate, problem solve and share resources that address the pressing employment-related issues that states face.

Missouri Governor's Council on Disability

<http://disability.mo.gov/gcd/>

The Governor's Council on Disability (GCD) promotes full participation and inclusion of the nearly 1 million Missourians with disabilities in all aspects of community life by educating citizens, businesses, schools, universities and others of their rights and responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Conduct educational seminars and on-site training as well as publish a legislative newsletter, a resource directory and informational brochures on topics relating to people with disabilities. Provide information about compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and assistive technology to maximize the productivity of people with disabilities. The Council offers assistance to other state agencies for compliance with all laws regarding persons with disabilities. It maintains communication with disability advocates and service providers to disseminate information and receive feedback on problems affecting people with disabilities in order to recommend policy improvements. The Council aims to promote positive images and protect persons with disabilities through equal access to services and employment opportunities. The Council publishes the Directory of Resources for Missourians with Disabilities. The directory lists programs and services of state and local offices, private agencies and other organizations serving people with disabilities.

June 4, 2015

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Meeting

Center for Head Injury Services (11786 Westline Industrial Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146)

7:30am – 9am

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com

June 13, 2015

Pitch for Developmental Disabilities

This event will help to raise awareness for people with developmental disabilities. Presented by 15 partnering organization that serve people with developmental disabilities in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Busch Stadium (700 Clark Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63102)

3:10pm

Cost: \$30 per person (includes Cardinal game ticket, a voucher for a hot dog and soda and a Pitch for Developmental Disabilities t-shirt)

For more information go to www.cliservices.org

June 18, 2015

Feed Your CLI Knowledge Information Session

This information session will provide valuable information about Community Living and briefly touch on the six dynamic programs Community Living offers to individuals with disabilities.

Community Living Inc. Administrative Building (1040 St. Peters Howell Road, St. Peters, MO 63376)

6pm – 8pm

Cost: Free and includes dinner

For more information or to register go to www.cliservices.org

17th Annual Wing Ding and Fundraiser for BCI Event

This awesome fundraising event will help employ adults with disabilities through BCI

St. Charles Family Arena

5pm – 9pm

Cost: \$35 and \$50 per person (all you can eat and drink)

For more information go to www.boonecenter.com

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Meeting

Center for Head Injury Services (11786 Westline Industrial Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146)

7:30am – 9am

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NETWORKING EVENTS & SEMINARS

This is a list of informational and networking opportunities with some of the larger local cities and Chambers of Commerce in the St. Louis area. For a list of other Chambers in the St. Louis area go to www.mochamber.com

June 2 and 16, 2015

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Business Lunch Networking Group Meeting

Syberg's Restaurant (2430 Old Dorsett Rd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 12:30pm (1st and 3rd Tuesdays)

Cost: \$12

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

June 3, 2015

West County Chamber of Commerce Social Buzz Club Workshop

This is a Social Buzz Club Workshop designed for those folks participating in the Social Buzz Club, but needing some help to get up to speed on various social media platforms. For this workshop, we will be setting up Facebook business pages and/or confirming that your business page is set-up correctly and fully. In addition, we will be reviewing some Facebook features that are particularly helpful to businesses and answering any & all questions about how to navigate Facebook for business.

St. Louis Community College – Wildwood Campus (2645 Generations Drive, Wildwood, MO)

8am – 9am

BRING YOUR OWN LAPTOP OR TABLET AND REGISTER BY THE FRIDAY BEFORE IN ORDER TO BE ASSIGNED A WIFI ACCESS CODE! PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WORKSHOP IS IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR SOCIAL BUZZ CLUB MEETINGS.

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Young Professional Divisions Networking Group Meeting

Syberg's Restaurant (2430 Old Dorsett Rd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 1pm (1st Wednesday of each month)

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Membership Meeting

Fabick CAT (1 Fabick Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

11am – 1pm

Cost: members \$18, guests \$20

To RSVP or for more information go to www.fentonmochamber.com or call Jeannie Braun at 636-717-0200

June 4, 2015

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce First Thursday Networking Event

Gambrill Gardens (1 Strecker Road, Ellisville, MO 63011)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$15

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com

Belleville Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event

Grey Eagle Distributors (One Busch Boulevard, Belleville, IL 62223)

5pm – 7pm

Cost: Members \$5 per person; nonmembers \$10

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.org

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Meeting

Center for Head Injury Services (11786 Westline Industrial Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146)

7:30am – 9am

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com

June 4, 2015 (weekly)

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Networking Happy Hour

Lehmann's Landing (12314 Natural Bridge Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044)

4:30pm – 6:30pm (Thursdays)

No cost

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

June 5, 2015

Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce First Friday Coffee Networking Event

Loft 25 Hair Studio at Salon Lofts (13952 Manchester Rd., St. Louis, MO 63011)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com

West County Chamber of Commerce First Friday Networking Event

BMO-Harris Bank (3095 Clarkson Road, Chesterfield, MO)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com

June 5, 2015**Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce Business Seminar: The Art and Science of Cold-Calling**

Rockwood Bank – Fenton (1037 Majestic Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

1pm – 3pm

Cost: free

To RSVP or for more information go to www.fentonmochamber.com or call Jeannie Braun at 636-717-0200June 8 and 22, 2015**O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Elite Leads Group Networking Event**

Webster University in Winghaven (2299 Technology Dr., Ste. 300, O'Fallon, MO 63368)

Noon – 1:15pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.orgJune 9, 2015**O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event**

Rendezvous Cafe & Wine Bar (217 South Main St., O'Fallon, MO 63366)

4:30pm – 6:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org**West County Chamber of Commerce Social Buzz Club**

The Social Buzz Club will be designed to "spread the word" for Chamber businesses. Those that choose to dedicate their time to this endeavor will reap results that far outweigh their time investment. The key to success in The Social Buzz Club is to attend each gathering with the mindset that your sole purpose in participating is to promote the businesses of the other members, without a thought as to promoting your own business.

St. Louis Community College – Wildwood Campus (2645 Generations Drive, Wildwood, MO)

2pm – 3pm

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

Greenbriar Hills Country Club (Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1:15pm

Cost: \$20 for Chamber members; \$25 for non-members

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com**Belleville Chamber of Commerce Coffee Cup Connections Networking Event**

Commercial Energy Consultants (15 Cauty Lane, Fairview Heights, IL 62208)

8:15am – 9:15am

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.orgJune 9 and 23, 2015**Northwest Chamber of Commerce Tuesday Morning Coffee & Networking Group Meeting**

Holiday Inn St. Louis Airport Hotel (4505 Woodson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63134)

7:30am – 8:30am (usually meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays)To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.comJune 10, 2015**Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce (101 Chesterfield Business Parkway, Chesterfield, MO 63005)

11am – 1pm

Cost: members \$25, guests \$30

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com**Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

Graphic Banquet (105 Progress Parkway, Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 1pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.comJune 11, 2015**Northwest Chamber of Commerce Membership Meeting**

Hollywood Casino & Hotel St. Louis (777 Casino Center Dr., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$25, walkins \$30

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com**Affton Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

Andre's South Banquet Center (4254 Telegraph Road, St. Louis, MO 63129)

11:15am – 1pm

Cost: \$15 for members, \$20 for guests

For more information go to www.afftonchamber.com

June 12 and 26, 2015**O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Leads 2 Success Networking Event**

Webster University in Winghaven (2299 Technology Dr., Ste. 300, O'Fallon, MO 63368)

Noon – 1:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org

June 15, 2015**O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Networking at the Rail Event**

The Brass Rail (4601 Hwy. K, O'Fallon, MO)

4:30pm – 6:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org

June 16, 2015**Crestwood - Sunset Hills Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

St. Thomas/Holy Spirit Lutheran Church (3980 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63127)

11am – 1pm (3rd Tuesday of each month)

For more information or to register go to www.ourchamber.com

June 18, 2015**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce All Member Networking Breakfast**

Jason's Deli (1253 S. Kirkwood Rd., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com

West County Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Networking Event

Pasta House (15601 Manchester Road, Ellisville, MO)

11:30am – 1pm

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com

O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Morning Schmooze Networking Event

The Brass Rail (4601 Hwy. K, O'Fallon, MO 63368)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Meeting

LaQunita Inn & Suites (13615 Riverport Drive, Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free for members, \$5 for guests

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com

Webster Groves/Shrewsbury Area Chamber of Commerce Networking Luncheon

Westborough County Club (631 S. Berry Rd. , Webster Groves, MO 63119)

11:30am – 1:30pm

Cost: \$18 members, \$20 non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.webstershrewsburychamber.com

South County Chamber of Commerce Membership Luncheon

Royale Orleans

11:15am – 1pm

For more information or to register go to <http://soco.chamber.org/>

June 23, 2015**Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce General Business Over Breakfast Networking Event**

Location TBD

7:30am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$15

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com

O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Trigg Banquet Center (300 O'Fallon Plaza, O'Fallon, MO 63366)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$17 in advance, \$22 at the door

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org

June 25, 2015**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event**

Heise Advisory Group (12444 Powerscourt Dr, Suite 235, Kirkwood, MO 63131)

5pm – 7pm

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com**West County Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

Forest Hills Country Club (36 Forest Club Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63005)

10:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$25, non-members \$30 per person

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com**Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce General Business After Hours Networking Event**

St. Louis Premium Outlets (18521 Outlet Blvd., Chesterfield, MO 63005)

5pm – 7pm

Cost: members free, guests \$15

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.comJune 26, 2015**Northwest Chamber of Commerce Women in Networking (WIN) Meeting**

GC (Granite City Brewery) (11411 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, MO 63141)

11:30am – 1pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com**West County Chamber of Commerce Coffee Talk Networking Event**

Lucky's Market (15830 Fountain Plaza Drive, Ellisville, MO 63017)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.westcountychamber.com**Jefferson County Growth Association General Meeting (NEXT MEETING IN AUGUST)**

Jefferson College (Hillsboro, MO 63070)

7am – 9am

For more information or to register go to <http://jcgamo.org/events> or contact jcga@gmail.com or call 314/210-0211June 29, 2015**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce Marketing Monday Business Seminar**

Kirkwood Public Library (140 E. Jefferson Ave., Kirkwood, MO)

Noon - 1pm

Cost: FREE for members, \$30 for non-members

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com**BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING MEETINGS & EVENTS**June 1, 2015 (weekly)**Women's Power Networking: Coffee and Contacts Kirkwood Weekly Meeting**

Hacienda (9748 Manchester Rd, St. Louis, MO)

6pm – 8pm (meets weekly on Mondays)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/Coffee-and-Contacts-Kirkwood/>June 2, 2015**O'Fallon-Shiloh People in Business Networking Meeting**

Holiday Inn Express (Dierberg Plaza, Greenmount Rd., Shiloh, IL)

8:30am - 9:30am (meets 1st Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com**St. Louis Networking Geniuses Monthly Meeting**

Duffy's Bar & Restaurant (124 West Jefferson Ave., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1pm (1st Tuesday of each month)

No cost to attend

For more information go to <http://www.meetup.com/St-Louis-Networking-Geniuses/>**St. Louis Python Group Meeting**

This group is for people interested in Python. Whether you're a seasoned dev or just someone curious about the language.

T-REX 3rd Floor Conference Room (911 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63101)

7pm – 9pm

For more information contact Brian Hicks at brian@brianhicks.com

June 2, 2015**Tapestry Business Women's Monthly Networking Meeting**

Have you ever wanted to ask other business women how they handled a situation in their business? Do you work alone and need some friendly advice that works? This month's event is all about you and getting you the help you need. The entire event will be spent networking and masterminding so that you leave equipped to face the challenges you may be experiencing in your business. As Christian businesswomen, we need to work together and support one another in life and in business.

Sunset Hills Community Center (3915 S. Lindbergh Blvd., Sunset Hills, MO 63127)

6:30pm – 8:30pm (1st Tuesday)

Cost: \$25 for guests; \$35 for late registration

For more information or to register go to www.stlouistapestry.com

June 2, 2015 (weekly)**Women's Power Networking: Coffee and Contacts St. Charles Weekly Meeting**

Rib City (3891 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, Saint Peters, MO)

6pm – 7:30pm (meets weekly on Tuesdays)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/Womens-Power-Networking-Coffee-and-Contacts-St-Charles/>

BNI Chapter Meetings

BNI Business Network International has 30 area chapters meeting every Tuesday. Visitors are welcome, refer to www.bnistl.com, contact the listed chapter president to confirm your visit.

For additional information contact Teresa Morris-Simon at 314/822-1030 or Tmorrisim@bnistl.com

June 3, 2015**St. Louis Fed Lecture: Liftoff and Monetary Policy Normalization**

Register now to hear from noted economist and monetary policymaker, Athanasios Orphanides, who is former governor of the Central Bank of Cyprus and was a European insider during the financial crisis.

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, One Federal Reserve Bank Plaza (Broadway and Locust St., St. Louis MO 63102)

4pm - 6pm

For more information go to <http://www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/calendar/> or contact Laura Girresch at 314/444-6166 or laura.e.girresch@stls.frb.org

St. Louis Professional Women's Alliance: Women of Distinction Speaker Series

Frontenac Hilton (1335 South Lindbergh Boulevard, Frontenac, MO 63131)

11am – 1pm

Cost: members \$22, non-members \$40

To RSVP or for more information go to www.stlpwa.org

June 3, 2015 (weekly)**BNI Chapter Meetings**

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For additional information contact Teresa Morris-Simon at 314/822-1030 or Tmorrisim@bnistl.com

Business Frontline of St. Louis Business Networking Group

Chris' Pancake House (5980 Southwest Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63139)

8am – 9am (Meet weekly on Wednesday)

No cost to attend. For more information go to <http://www.bflstl.com/>

June 4, 2015**Women 2.0 City Monthly Meetup**

A networking event to promote new networks among the entire technology ecosystem in innovative cities around the world. This event is open to those who work, start, and fund tech companies. Both women and men are invited to attend.

TechArtista (4818 Washington Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108)

6:30pm – 8:30pm (1st Thursday of each month)

Cost: \$10 per person (\$15 at the door)

For more information or to register go to <http://women2.com/city-meetup/st-louis/>

Wildwood Business Association Meeting

Living Word Church (Wildwood, MO 63040)

7pm – 9pm

For more information go to <http://www.wildwoodba.org/>

Fifth Annual International Humanitarian of the Year Award Gala Honoring Emerson

Four Seasons Hotel St. Louis, Grand Ballroom (downtown St. Louis, MO)

6pm – 10pm

For more information or to register contact Bob Fischer at rfischer@wac-stl.org or call 314/727-9988

Untapped Business Networking Event

Budweiser Brewhouse, Ballpark Village, St. Louis, MO 63102

5pm – 8pm (2nd Thursday of each month)

For more information go to <http://www.stlballparkvillage.com/entertainment/event/3606>

June 4, 2015 (weekly)**BNI Chapter Meetings**

BNI Business Network International has 30 area chapters meeting every Thursday. Visitors are welcome, refer to www.bnistl.com, contact the listed chapter president to confirm your visit.

For additional information contact Teresa Morris-Simon at 314/822-1030 or Tmorrisim@bnistl.com

Christian Business Connectors Networking Meeting

Chameleon's Catering

11:30am – 1pm (meets every Thursday)

Cost: \$12 per person

To RSVP contact Dennis Wagner at 314/481-7337 x102

For more information or to register contact Richard at Richard@accoladekb.com or 314/458-3397

June 5, 2015 (weekly)**Women's Power Networking Meeting: Coffee and Contacts Fenton Weekly Meeting**

The Hive @ 44 (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

10:30am – Noon (meets every Friday)

For more information go to www.meetup.com/coffee-and-contacts-ballwin/

June 5 and 19, 2015**FORE Business Lunch and Learn Networking Event**

The Highlands Golf and Tennis Center at Forest Park (5163 Clayton Drive, St. Louis, MO 63110)

11:30am – 2pm (1st Friday)

3pm – 5pm (3rd Friday)

For more information go to www.forebiz.com

June 8, 2015**American Business Women's Association – Renaissance Chapter Monthly Meeting**

St. Louis County - Natural Bridge Library (7606 Natural Bridge Rd., St. Louis, MO)

6pm – 7:30pm (Meets 2nd Monday of each month)

To RSVP call 314/388-1457

June 9 - 10, 2015**AGC Class: Construction Quality Management for Contractors**

This course is presented to allow contractors to meet Corps' construction contract requirements for the training of contractor quality control personnel. Training will include Contractor's Review; Quality Management Planning; Preconstruction Conference and Coordination Meeting; Submittals; Quality Management during Construction; Making the System Work; Resident Management System and overview of Quality Control System (QCS) a contract administration computer program.

AGC Construction Training School(6301 Knox Industrial Dr., St. Louis, MO 63139)

8am – 4:30pm

For more information or to register go to www.agcmo.org

June 10, 2015**Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Workshop:**

Hispanic Working Women – Creating a Balance to Tip the Scales in Your Favor

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Technology Center (3611 S. Grand Blvd., Ste. 105, St. Louis, MO 63118)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to <http://www.hccstl.com/>

Highland People in Business Networking Meeting

Holiday Inn Express (20 Central Blvd, Highland, IL)

8:30am – 9:30am (meets 2nd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$8 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

Quarterly Financial Executives Networking Group (FENG) Forum

Topic: The Incredible Shrinking Alpha

The Lodge of Des Peres (1050 Des Peres Road, Des Peres, MO 63131)

7:30am – 9am

For more information go to <http://thefengstl.org/>

Incarnate Word Foundation Lunch Presentation

Topic: Entrepreneurs – Impacting Our Community

Entrepreneurs are changing the face of our City. What do entrepreneurs and social entrepreneurs need to be successful? How can they create a lasting impact in our communities? Why is innovation important and how can we help move these initiatives forward? Hear leaders in St. Louis answer these questions and more.

SLU Law, 12th Floor Pavilion, (100 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63101)

11:30am – 1:30pm

For more information or to RSVP contact Michelle Witthaus at Michelle.witthaus@iwfdn.org

June 11, 2015**TipClub St. Louis Business Networking Event**

West County EMS and Fire District (223 Henry Avenue, Manchester, MO 63011)

7:30am – 9am

No cost to attend

For more information go to <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-louis-business-networking-event-for-june-2015-registration-16501494414?aff=es2>

Art Institute of St. Louis Portfolio Show

It's your opportunity to meet our graduates from design, media arts, fashion, and culinary programs! Join us for a celebration of their best work and see what they have to offer. You could be looking at your next hire.

Grand Opera House – Banquet Center (311 North Main Street, St. Charles, MO 63301)

For more information contact Jamie Lembeck at jlembeck@aii.edu

FranNet Business Seminar: EntrepreneurRevolution: Now! – Exploring Business Ownership

Donald Danforth Plant Science Center (975 N. Warson, Rd., St. Louis, MO 63132)

6pm – 8pm

For more information or to register go to www.yourfanchisnow.com or contact Chris Coleman at ccoleman@franneet.com

St. Louis Agile LINC User Group Networking Event

Savvis Headquarters

6pm – 8pm (meet 2nd Thursday of each month)

For more information contact Jim at jim.haftarczyk@savvis.com

Belleville People in Business Networking Meeting

Pie Pantry (310 East Main St., Belleville, IL)

Noon – 1pm (meets 2nd Thursday of each month)

Cost: \$8 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

Business Seminar: Background Check(mate): Don't Be a Pawn for Class Action Plaintiffs

Armstrong Teasdale LLP (7700 Forsyth Blvd., Ste. 1800, Clayton, MO 63105)

7:45am – 9:45am

For more information go to <http://www.armstrongteasdale.com/pen/xpqPenListAT.aspx?xpST=EventResults>

June 11 and 25, 2015**The Chameleon Club Networking Event**

Barnett of Washington (3207 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103)

For more information or to register go to barnettonwashington@gmail.com

June 13, 2015**Monthly Financial Executives Networking Group (FENG) Chapter Meeting**

The Lodge of Des Peres (1050 Des Peres Road, Des Peres, MO 63131)

8am – 10am (2nd Saturday of each month)

For more information go to <http://thefengstl.org/>

June 16, 2015**Tapestry Business Women's Monthly Networking Meeting**

Have you ever wanted to ask other business women how they handled a situation in their business? Do you work alone and need some friendly advice that works? This month's event is all about you and getting you the help you need. The entire event will be spent networking and masterminding so that you leave equipped to face the challenges you may be experiencing in your business. As Christian businesswomen, we need to work together and support one another in life and in business.

Greenbriar Hills Country Club (12665 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9am - 11:30am (3rd Tuesday)

Cost: \$25 for guests; \$35 for late registration

For more information or to register go to www.stlouistapestry.com

Collinsville People in Business Networking Meeting

Oatman House (501 E. Main St., Collinsville, IL 62234)

8:30am – 9:30am (meets 3rd Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$7 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

Business Seminar: Managing the Cost of Commercial Litigation

Missouri Botanical Garden (4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63110)

7:30am – 9am

Admission is free

To RSVP contact stlevents@bizjournals.com or call 314/421-6200

June 17, 2015**National Association for Professional Women St. Louis Chapter Meeting**

Squires Restaurant in Lafayette Square (1415 South 18th St, St. Louis MO 63104)

6:30pm – 8pm

No charge to attend

For more information go to <http://www.napw.com/chapter/59/st-louis/>

June 18, 2015**Network After Work St. Louis at Skybox**

Skybox (601 Clark Ave., St Louis, MO 63102)

6pm – 9pm

Cost: \$15 per person

For more information or to register go to <http://networkafterwork.com>

Business Seminar: What Could Go Wrong When Your Employees Talk with Their Social Media Friends

Armstrong Teasdale LLP (7700 Forsyth Blvd., Ste. 1800, Clayton, MO 63105)

7:45am – 9:45am

For more information go to <http://www.armstrongteasdale.com/pen/xpqPenListAT.aspx?xpST=EventResults>

Granite City People in Business Networking Meeting

Six Mile Library (2001 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL)

8am – 9am (meets 3rd Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours

St. Mary's High School (4701 S Grand Blvd, St Louis, MO 63111)

6pm – 8pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.hccstl.com/> or 314/664-4432

June 23, 2015**A St. Louis Economic Briefing: Regional and National Outlook and the Local Entrepreneurial Sector**

The program will feature St. Louis Fed economists and guest speaker Yasuyuki Motoyama, director of research and policy at the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation.

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, One Federal Reserve Bank Plaza (Broadway and Locust St., St. Louis MO 63102)

7:30am – 9:30am

For more information go to <http://www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/calendar/> or contact Joshua Haines at

Joshua.Haines@stls.frb.org or 314/444-8802

June 24, 2015**Edwardsville People in Business Networking Meeting**

Edison's Entertainment Center (2477 South State Road 157, Edwardsville, IL)

11:45am – 1pm (meets 4th Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$10 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

June 25, 2015**St. Louis Business Journal Fastest Growing Companies Awards**

St. Louis U., Cook School of Business, Saint Louis University (3674 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information go to www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/ or contact Kelly Rowland at 314/421-8307 or stlevents@bizjournals.com

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONSJune 3, 2015**Lewis and Clark SHRM Chapter Membership Meeting**

Community Commons at Spencer Road Library (427 Spencer Road, St. Peters, MO 63376)

7:45am – 9:30am

Cost: Free to members, \$5 first time guests

To RSVP or for more information go to <http://lewisandclark.shrm.org/>

June 4, 2015**Inventors Association of St. Louis (IASL) Monthly General Meeting**

CIC@4240 (4240 Duncan, St. Louis, MO 63108)

5pm - 8pm (usually 1st Thursday of the month)

For more information go to www.inventorsconnection.org

June 9, 2015**Computer Consultants of St. Louis Monthly Meeting**

St. Louis Bread Company (6630 Delmar Blvd., University City, MO 63130)

5:30pm - 8pm (Meets 2nd Tues. of each month)

For more information call 314/995-4652 or go to www.ccsf.org

Community Service and Public Relations Council (CSPR) Monthly Meeting

Sheraton Clayton Plaza Hotel (7730 Bonhomme Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

11:30am – 1:15pm

Cost: Members \$30, Non-Members \$40

For more information or to register go to www.csprc.org

June 10, 2015**St. Louis Publishers Association Monthly Meeting**

Brentwood Community Center (2505 S. Brentwood Boulevard, Brentwood, MO 63144)

6:30pm - 9pm (2nd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: No cost for members, \$10 for nonmembers

For more information call 314/256-1800 or go to www.stlouispublishers.org

June 17, 2015**St. Louis PMI (Project Management Institute) Monthly Dinner Meeting**

Topic: CityArchRiver: Enhancing the Arch Experience for Everyone

Crowne Plaza Hotel – Clayton (7750 Carondelet Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

5:30pm – 8:30pm

Cost: members \$25 in advance/\$30 at the door; non-members, \$30 in advance/\$35 at the door

For more information or to register go to www.stlpmi.org

Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance St. Louis Chapter Monthly Meeting

Sheraton Clayton Plaza Hotel (7730 Bonhomme Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

5:30pm – 8:30pm (3rd Wednesday of each month Sept. – June)

Cost: members \$30, non-member \$35

For more information or to register go to <http://afwastlouis.org/>

Human Resources Management Association (HRMA) (NEXT MEETING IN SEPT.)**Committee Fair & Pre-Dinner Happy Hour, and Dinner Meeting**

Renaissance Hotel St. Louis Airport (9801 Natural Bridge Rd., St. Louis, MO 63134)

5:30pm – 8:30pm

Cost: members free; non-members \$60

To RSVP or for more information go www.hrmastl.org

June 23, 2015**St. Louis Coaches Monthly Meeting**

The Heights (8001 Dale Ave., Richmond Heights, MO 63117)

5:30pm – 7:30pm (usually the 4th Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 members, \$20 non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.stlcoaches.org

June 25, 2015**American Marketing Association Monthly Meeting (NO MEETING IN JUNE)**

Maggiano's Little Italy (2 The Blvd., Richmond Heights, MO 63117)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$35; Non-members \$45

For more information go to www.ama-stl.org

St. Louis Quality Assurance Association (STLQAA) Monthly Meeting (NEXT MEETING IN JULY)

635 Maryville Centre Drive (Apex), Town and Country, MO 63143

5pm – 8pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.stlouisqaa.org/>

National Human Resources Association Monthly Meeting (NEXT MEETING IN JULY)

Hilton St. Louis Frontenac (1335 S. Lindbergh Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63131)

8am - Noon

Cost: members free, non-members \$75

For more information or to register go www.humanresources.org

SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES AND EVENTS

Accelerate St. Louis Challenge (formerly St. Louis Startup Challenge) applications due now – July 28, 2015)

The Accelerate St. Louis Challenge is exactly what it sounds like – a challenge for the best local startups. The reward: no-strings-attached cash (a total of \$120,000 awarded), top-tier professional services, new office space, and an opportunity to compete in front of St. Louis' startup community. With some of the biggest sponsors and best prize packages, Accelerate St. Louis challenge highlights local entrepreneurs, helps them develop their venture and rewards the best-of-the-best in an all-out public celebration. Application tracks include: bioscience, education, financial technology, information technology, manufacturing and products/services.

For more information or to apply go to <http://stlsu2015.istart.org>

Capital Innovators Accelerator Program Applications are open for Fall 2015 class through 6/26/15

The Capital Innovators Accelerator Program, based in St. Louis MO, provides tech startups with \$50,000 in seed funding, project based mentorship from a seasoned pool of knowledgeable experts, stellar perks, networking and follow on funding opportunities over the course of 12 weeks.

For more information on how to enter the contest go to www.capitalinnovators.com

WellsFargo Works Project Contest Applications Due by 6/30/15

The Wells Fargo Works Project Contest ("Contest") is sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Sponsor" or "Wells Fargo") and is for small business owners and nonprofit members in the United States. The goal is to select five winners who would benefit from receiving mentorship and \$25,000 for their business. The five winners will be selected from a pool of 25 finalists who will each receive \$1,000.

For more information on how to enter the contest go to <https://wellsfargoworks.com/project>

Powerful Answers Award Applications Period through 6/18/15

The Powerful Answers Award is a multi-million dollar challenge from Verizon for entrepreneurs, companies and innovators worldwide to provide innovative solutions in the areas of Transportation, Emergency Response, and Internet of Things.

We are currently accepting submissions for the chance to win up to \$1 million in prizes.

For more information go to www.verizon.com/powerfulanswers/

June 2, 2015

Small Business Webinar: Building a Powerful Grants Strategy for 2015

This webinar will take participants through the process of establishing a grants calendar for the next 12 to 18 months. Fast-paced, and filled with action steps, this webinar is geared towards beginning and intermediate grant writers.

1pm – 2pm

Cost: \$89 per person

For more information or to register go to <https://www.grantstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx?id=393>

STL Python Meet Up Group Monthly Meeting

T-Rex Lammert Building (911 Washington Ave, St. Louis, MO 63101)

7pm – 9pm

For more information and to RSVP <http://www.meetup.com/STL-Python/events/219717304/>

June 2 - 24, 2015

Accessing Capital and Give Me 5 Business Webinar Series

6/2 Managing Cost Type Contracts

6/3 Special Unit – Construction: Defending Against Protests

6/10 Attracting and Retaining Clients

6/16 Time for Budgeting Indirect Rates

6/17 Transitioning out of 8a – The Essential Ingredient of All ... Relationships

6/24 Special Unit – Negotiation Tactics for Women

1pm – 2pm

Register for this webinar at <http://www.wipp.org/events/>

June 3, 2015

Business Webinar: New Enhancements to LinkedIn Recruiter

Interactive session on the latest enhancements to LinkedIn Recruiter. Areas to be covered include: the new InMail Compose experience, Search Insights, and LinkedIn Recruiter ATS Integration

1pm – 2pm

For more information or to register contact mcdg-nam-evt@linkedin.com

OPO Startup Wednesdays - Community

These monthly gatherings are for local entrepreneurs to meet one another in a collaborative environment over pizza and beer.

OPO Startups (119 S. Main St., St. Charles, MO 63301)

6:30pm – 9pm (1st Wednesday of each month)

Cost: free

For more information or to register go to www.opostartups.com

June 3, 2015 (weekly)**ITEN One Million Cups**

Every week, two entrepreneurs present their ventures and ask advice and assistance from the community. All are welcome to come see some of the newest ventures getting started around town, and join in the lively discussions and networking to follow.

KETC Nine Network (3655 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63108)

9am – 10am (every Wednesday morning)

No cost to attend

For more information go to <http://stlouis.sites.1millioncups.com/#ancSchedule>

June 4, 2015**Small Business Webinar: How to Be a Successful Fundraiser**

This webinar will cover three ingredients essential to being a successful fundraiser: attributes that reflect character and integrity, skills that contribute to fundraising competency, and techniques to successfully ask for money. The webinar concentrates on direct person-to-person fundraising, whether the other party is a major gift prospect or a corporate or foundation officer. Both those looking to accelerate their careers and those thinking about entering the fundraising field will benefit from this webinar.

1pm – 2pm

Cost: \$89 per person

For more information or to register go to <https://www.grantstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx?id=396>

Women 2.0 City Monthly Meetup

A networking event to promote new networks among the entire technology ecosystem in innovative cities around the world. This event is open to those who work, start, and fund tech companies. Both women and men are invited to attend.

TechArtista (4818 Washington Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108)

6:30pm – 8:30pm (1st Thursday of each month)

Cost: \$10 per person (\$15 at the door)

For more information or to register go to <http://women2.com/city-meetup/st-louis/>

St. Louis Product Management Group Monthly Meeting

Topic: Think and Talk Like a CEO to Win Funding for Your Product

The Venture Café at CIC (4240 Duncan Road, St. Louis, MO 63107)

7pm – 7:45pm

For more information go to <http://www.stlpm.org/>

Young Friends Happy Hour Networking Event

Please join us at The Young Friends Happy Hour on June 4, 2015 as we discuss how the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center and BRDG Park are helping to ensure local agtech startups have the resources to succeed.

Donald Danforth Plant Science Center (975 N. Warson Road, Creve Coeur, MO 63132)

5pm – 7pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.danforthcenter.org/events/>

June 4, 2015 (weekly)**Prosper Office Hours**

As Prosper Women Entrepreneurs continues to grow, we're hosting office hours for those who want to have a one-on-one conversation about their venture and learn more about Prosper programs.

Shaw's Coffee (5147 Shaw Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110)

10am – Noon

Cost: FREE

For more information or to register go to www.prosperstl.com

Venture Café Networking Events

Each Thursday at The Venture Cafe, we invite members of the community interested in innovation to join us for a few hours of connections and conversations.

CIC @4240 (4240 Duncan Avenue, #200, St. Louis, MO 63108)

3pm – 8pm (every Thursday evening)

For more information go to www.vencafstl.org

June 4 and 18, 2015**Missouri Networking Event**

Old Spaghetti Factory (Chesterfield, MO)

11:30am – 1:30pm (Meet 1st and 3rd Thursdays)

For more information contact Joel at joelkirk@gmail.com or Denise at 636.265.2440 or Denise@abouttheclimb.com

June 5, 2015**Accelerate St. Louis “Friday Meeting” at Ballpark Village**

Raising a Glass to St. Louis Entrepreneurs!

Budweiser Brew House (601 Clark Ave., St. Louis, MO 63102)

4pm – 6pm

For more information contact Tony at tony@ballparkvillage.com or 314/345-9481

June 5, 2015**Missouri Venture Forum Breakfast Meeting**

Moto Museum/Triumph Grill (3441 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

7:15am – 9am (typically meets 1st Friday of each month)

Cost: members free, guests \$49

For more information or to register go to www.missouriventureforum.org

Self-Employed St. Louis (SESTL) Monthly Meetup Network Event

Kirkwood Station Brewing Company (105 East Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$20 per person

For more information go to <http://www.meetup.com/Self-Employed-St-Louis/>

June 5 – 7, 2015**GlobalHack IV**

GlobalHack is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization fostering innovation and talent through hackathons. Each event brings together developers, designers, and entrepreneurs to solve real-world technology problems for real-world customers.

CIC@4240 (4240 Duncan Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110)

Cost: \$10 in advance, \$20 at the door

For more information or to register go to www.globalhack.org

June 5, 2015 -August 14, 2015 (weekly)**Small Business Workshop Series**

Join us for one, two, or all of these Small Business Workshop seminars that will be jam-packed with fantastic speakers on topics pertinent to YOUR business! Learn about funding, legality, marketing and so much more that will help you to take your business to the next level!

O'Fallon Chamber (2145 Bryan Valley Commercial Dr., O'Fallon, MO 63366)

6/5 Funding Your Business

6/12 Generating Leads and Referrals Effectively

6/19 DIY Marketing on a Budget

6/26 What's Your BS Factor?

8am – 9am

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.OFallonChamber.org

June 6, 2015**SCORE Business Workshop: How to Start and Manage Your Own Business**

St. Louis Community College – Meramec Campus, Social Science Bldg, Rm. 108 (11333 Big Bend Road Kirkwood, MO 63122)

8:15am – 3pm

Cost: \$60 per person; \$70 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

June 8, 2015**SCORE Business Workshop: Introduction to Business Finance**

e3 Wealth (10825 Watson Road, Suite 100, Sunset Hills, MO 63127)

5pm – 8pm

Cost: \$35 per person; \$45 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

June 8 – 9, 2015**ShowMeCon – St. Louis' Premier Hacking Conference**

Parameter Security and Hacker University bring a one-of-a-kind event that will show you the state of security from a unique perspective – the hacker's viewpoint.

Ameristar Casino & Resort (St. Charles, MO)

Cost: \$225 per person until 6/5/15 (includes pre-conference training 6/3 through 6/7/15)

For more information or to register go to www.showmecon.com

June 9, 2015**StartLouis Monthly Meetup Event**

This is a grassroots community of bootstrappers, solopreneurs, and startup enthusiasts in St. Louis, Missouri. Our mission is to bring St. Louis entrepreneurs together for learning and collaboration. Each monthly meetup event features a presentation and Q&A session with an accomplished St. Louis CEO.

T-Rex (911 Washington Ave. St. Louis, MO 63101)

6:30pm – 9pm (2nd Tuesday of the month)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/StartLouis/>

June 10, 2015**OPO Startup Wednesdays - Founders**

These monthly gatherings offer stories and conversation with accomplished founders from the St. Louis Region.

OPO Startups (119 S. Main St., St. Charles, MO 63301)

6:30pm – 9pm (2nd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: free

For more information or to register go to www.opostartups.com

M/W/DBE/ACDBE Workshop

The purpose of this workshop is to provide potential DBE/ACDBE firms with information pertaining to the various programs, including the DBE certification processes.

Harris Stowe State University, Telecommunity Room (Library) (3026 Laclede Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63103)

11 am – 1:30pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.mwdbbe.org/calendar/>

Illinois Innovators & Inventors Monthly Meeting

Madison Mutual Insurance Company (Mutual Ct., Edwardsville, IL)

7pm – 9pm (2nd Wednesday each month)

Cost: free

For more information go to <http://ilinventor.tripod.com>

Small Business Webinar: Hiring Powerful Leaders

This webinar will cover: Leadership: What it is, what is it good for, how it differs from management. Assessment: Is your organization ready for a leader? Hiring: How to advertise, attract, and interview a leader. The webinar is for board members and senior staff who hire executive and program directors, plan transition strategies, and want to keep their organizations vibrant, nimble, and creative.

1pm – 2pm

Cost: \$89 per person

For more information or to register go to <https://www.grantstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx?id=398>

June 11, 2015**Business Seminar: Selling to the Government: The First Steps**

St. Louis County Extension Office (10650 Gateway Blvd., Creve Coeur, MO)

9am - Noon

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information or to register go to www.Missouribusiness.net

Information Technology Entrepreneur Network (ITEN) 2nd Thursdays Monthly Networking Event

This monthly event connects entrepreneurs and emerging tech companies with veteran business leaders, investors and the public.

This month ITEN will unveil its annual St. Louis Tech Startup Report: 2014 Year in Review. Come hear about key trends that emerged in 2014, see key metrics on our St. Louis startups and find out what companies rose to the top this year!

Venture Cafe (CIC@4240 Duncan Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110)

ITEN Mentors available by appointment:

Michelle Murray 3pm – 4pm

Dan Klotzer 6pm – 7pm

3pm – 8pm (2nd Thursday of each month)

For more information go to www.itenstl.org

Donald Danforth Plant Science Center Conversations

Topic: Prairies, Conservation, and Energy

Danforth Plant Science Center (975 North Warson Road, St. Louis, MO 63132)

5:15pm – 7pm

For more information or to RSVP go to www.danforthcenter.org/events/

June 11 and 25, 2015**Small Business Workshop: Legal Clinic**

The St. Louis Small Business and Technology Development Center has partnered with Legal Resources of Eastern Missouri to offer a Legal Clinic that provides one-on-one 30 minute sessions with a business attorney at no cost.

SLATE Missouri Career Center, 3rd Floor (1520 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

1pm – 3pm

Cost: Free but an appointment is necessary

For more information or to schedule an appointment go to www.missouribusiness.net or call 314/657-3547

June 11 and 25, 2015**SBA Affordable Care Act Webinars for Small Businesses**

SBA, the Department of Health Human and Services, and Small Business Majority have teamed up for a free weekly webinar series where small employers can learn the basics of the Affordable Care Act and what it means for their organization and employees. Topics covered include cost containment, the Small Business Health Care Tax Credit, the new Health Insurance Marketplace, and Employer Shared Responsibility.

1pm – 2pm

Also, available en espanol on 6/16/15 at 3pm

For more information or to register go to <https://www.sba.gov/healthcare>

June 12, 2015**VISION 2015 Symposium**

BioSTL, ITEN and St. Louis Makes presents the first-ever regional symposium aimed at building a wholly-inclusive diverse innovation community and welcoming anyone seeking to learn more about opportunities in bioscience, IT and advanced manufacturing. The one-day event will feature professionals, entrepreneurs, entrepreneurial resource support organizations, startups, and corporations in a multi-track format, along with plenary and keynote speakers.

Harris-Stowe State University

8:30am – 6pm

Cost: \$25 per person

For more information or to register go to www.visionstlouis.com

Business Workshop: How to Connect with New Business via Phone

HIVE44 Executive Office, Meeting & Event Center - 1730 Fenpark Dr. Fenton, MO 63026

10am – 11am

For more information or to register go to <http://www.thehive44.com>

June 16, 2015**St. Louis Small Business Monthly Meetup Event**

Kirkwood Brewing Station (105 East Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO)

Noon – 1:30pm

For more information go to <http://www.meetup.com/SLSBMG/events/calendar/>

June 17, 2015**OPO Startup Wednesdays - Mentors**

Hear from leading executive coaches and management consultants, entrepreneurs, and transformative business advisors.

OPO Startups (119 S. Main St., St. Charles, MO 63301)

6:30pm – 9pm (3rd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: free

For more information or to register go to www.opostartups.com

June 18, 2015**StartUp Voodoo 2015**

Startup VooDoo brings together thought leaders, innovators, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists in the geographic center of it all – St. Louis – to uncover the voodoo behind innovation, successful startups, exchange best practices and ideas, as well as to create connections between the Midwest and coastal startup ecosystems.

Hotel Lumiere (downtown St. Louis)

10am – 6pm

Cost: \$69 per person

For more information or to register go to www.startupvoodoo.com

Arch Grants' 2015 Summer Welcome Reception

This event celebrates the first group of startups to receive an Arch Grant in 2015.

T-Rex (911 Washington Ave., 5th Floor, St. Louis, MO 63101)

5:30pm – 8pm

Cost: \$20 per person

For more information go to <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/arch-grants-2015-summer-cohort-welcome-reception-tickets-16757452993>

Gateway Business Networking (formerly St. Louis Business Networking) Breakfast

Missouri Athletic Club (405 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63102)

7am – 9am (Meets 3rd Thursday of each Month)

Cost: \$14 per person

For more information or to RSVP contact Andrea at andrea.johnson@techguardsecurity.com

Biotech Meetup Group

CIC@CET (4041 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110)

5:30pm – 6:30pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/saint-louis-biotechnology-meetup/>

June 19, 2015**First Helix Center Biotechnology Vendor Showcase**

Helix Center (1100 Corporate Square Drive, St. Louis, MO 63132)

10am - 1pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/helix-center-biotech-vendor-showcase-tickets-16851994770?aff=erelexpsim>

June 20 and 27, 2015**Small Business Workshop: Starting and Managing a Business (2 part series)**

This is a 3-hour workshop created for those considering going into business for themselves.

St. Louis Community College – Meramec Campus, Social Science Bldg, Rm. 108 (11333 Big Bend Road Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9am – Noon

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.missouribusiness.net or call 314/657-3547

June 22, 2015**SCORE Business Workshop: Quickbooks Basic Desktop**

e3 Wealth (10825 Watson Road, Suite 100, Sunset Hills, MO 63127)

5pm – 8pm

Cost: \$35 per person; \$45 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

June 24, 2015**SCORE Business Workshop: Buying or Franchising a Business**

e3 Wealth (10825 Watson Road, Suite 100, Sunset Hills, MO 63127)

5pm – 8pm

Cost: \$35 per person; \$45 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

Small Business Monthly 2015 Family Business Awards

Hilton Frontenac Hotel

7:30am – 9am

Cost: \$35 per person

For more information or to register go to <http://www.sbmon.com/>

June 25, 2015**St. Louis Entrepreneurs Monthly Meetup**

Ami's of Rock Hill Inc. (9824 Manchester Road, Webster Groves, MO 63119)

11:30am – 1pm

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/stlouis-entrepreneurs/>

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES AND TRAINING

MOSourceLink

MOSourceLink is a statewide referral network which links Missouri small business owners and entrepreneurs to local, regional, and state resources who provide services, programs, classes, and information to help business grow and prosper. MOSourceLink does not offer any business counseling or educational services directly to the entrepreneur. Our role is to facilitate referrals to resources, getting business owners to the right resource at the right time.

For more information go to www.mosourcelink.com

St. Louis SourceLink

St. Louis SourceLink connects a network of nonprofit resource organizations that provide services for small businesses. This organization facilitates the linking of these resource organizations to one another and to established, emerging and start up small businesses in the region. Areas of assistance include: marketing; financial planning; loans; technical; education; government contracts; sales; product development; and operations. SourceLink also provides users with access to the resource navigator – an online database of local resources to meet the needs of small businesses in the community. The Resource Navigator allows you to create a customized personal search for the resources you need from our network of nonprofit organizations statewide and is provided to patrons at no cost. For more information go to www.stlsourcelink.com

Arch Grants

Arch Grants seeks to create a more robust startup culture and infrastructure in St. Louis. To increase employment growth and establish St. Louis as a place where entrepreneurs want to start and grow their businesses, Arch Grants offers startups funding in the form of grants and supports the startups as they remain or transition to downtown St. Louis. The Arch Grants Business Plan Competition helps to shape the image of St. Louis among aspiring entrepreneurs and others looking to have a formative role in building a new entrepreneurial climate in St. Louis. For more information go to www.archgrants.org

Capital Innovators Accelerator Program

The Capital Innovators Accelerator Program, based in St. Louis, MO, provides \$50,000 in seed funding, project-based mentorship from a seasoned pool of knowledgeable experts, stellar perks, networking, and follow-on funding opportunities over the course of 12 weeks

For more information or to apply go to www.capitalinnovators.com

Cultivation Capital

Cultivation Capital is a venture capital firm managed by team of serial entrepreneurs. We know what it takes to start, cultivate and grow a successful company. We know the struggles, the challenges, the rewards and the successes. We are harnessing that knowledge to help develop and partner with the next generation of great entrepreneurs. Our funds are focused in the areas of technology and health and life sciences. For more information go to www.cultivationcapital.com

RiverVest Venture Partners

Established in 2000. RiverVest Venture Partners focuses exclusively on innovations in life sciences, a field in which our team has significant research, clinical, operational and investment expertise. The group identifies, funds and actively incubates promising life science companies, particularly in the medical device and biopharmaceutical industries. Provides practical advice and strategic leadership to help entrepreneurs drive early-stage companies forward. RiverVest also invests in select later-stage life science companies to diversify risk and maximize portfolio returns. In every case, takes a hands-on investment approach, preferring to be represented on the boards of our portfolio companies. RiverVest has funded 30 innovative life science companies and currently has assets under management of more than \$280 million. For more information go to <http://rivervest.com/>

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Bodley Group

Bodley Group invests in seed or growth opportunities with compelling teams and a clear potential for out-performance. We seek to invest in companies with new proprietary technology, concept durability, clearly defined customer acquisition strategies, network effects and the potential for rapid growth. Most importantly, we target inspirational founders who are convinced of their plan for a different future and possess the fortitude to make their vision a reality. For more information go to <http://www.bodleygroup.com/>

St. Louis Startup Challenge

The St. Louis Startup Challenge was created to promote entrepreneurship, innovation and venture development within the region by **highlighting** dynamic startup and early stage companies in the region; **strengthening** those companies through relevant analysis and support; and **rewarding** the best-of-the-best at the end of the Challenge. The Challenge encourages all startups and early stage companies to apply. For purposes of the Challenge, applicants may be pre-launch, operational or pre- or post-revenue. Cash awards are provided by Edward Jones through St. Louis Economic Development Partnership. For more information go to www.STLStartupChallenge.com

Yield Lab

The Yield Lab is focused on bridging the critical gap between innovation and fruition of new agricultural technology by supporting early stage companies. The Yield Lab provides new AgTech companies with \$100,000 in funding, mentors, and connections supported by an agriculturally solid framework of organizations and businesses from the St. Louis area. Backed by Cultivation Capital, The Yield Labs selects four to eight agriculturally based technology companies each year with a nine month cohort. Those companies selected to take part in the accelerator program will receive hands-on training, mentoring, and networking opportunities with the top agricultural research and development intuitions in the region. As one of the largest areas of business in the Midwest, agriculture is a leading industry with extensive influence within the region and beyond. The diversity with the central location, along solid business communities and support, makes St. Louis a leading space for AgTech expansion. For more information go to www.theyieldlab.com

Techli

Techli delivers innovation news and in-depth editorial on the technology, businesses and ideas that are changing the way we live, work, and play. We know cutting edge technologies and vanguard businesses are emerging around the world, not just in Silicon Valley. Techli covers technology and innovation news wherever it happens, whenever it happens. For more information go to www.techli.com

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR/STTR)

The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program is a highly competitive program that encourages domestic small businesses to engage in Federal Research/Research and Development (R/R&D) that has the potential for commercialization. Through a competitive awards-based program, SBIR enables small businesses to explore their technological potential and provides the incentive to profit from its commercialization. By including qualified small businesses in the nation's R&D arena, high-tech innovation is stimulated and the United States gains entrepreneurial spirit as it meets its specific research and development needs.

STTR is an important new small business program that expands funding opportunities in the federal innovation research and development arena. Central to the program is expansion of the public/private sector partnership to include the joint venture opportunities for small business and the nation's premier nonprofit research institutions. STTR's most important role is to foster the innovation necessary to meet the nation's scientific and technological challenges in the 21st century. For more information about the program go to <http://missouribusiness.net/technology/about-sbir-sttr/#sttr>

Billiken Angels Network Our goal as investors is to provide infusions of expertise and capital to firms that show promise to make a difference for our economy and our region. We are willing to look at firms in all industries and we look at firms at all stages, not just start-ups. Our goal as a network is to make a difference through education and advice to all the current and future businesses in the region. We draw on an unmatched set of resources including SLU's Entrepreneurship Center, the Habitat for Neighborhood Business, SLU's nationally ranked Entrepreneurship Program, the John Cook School of Business, and the other resources of Saint Louis University. If you have questions, please contact our director, Professor Jerome Katz, at 314-977-3864 or by email at katzja@slu.edu or go to www.billikenangels.com

St. Louis Arch Angels

The mission of the St. Louis Arch Angels is to provide opportunities for our members to obtain outstanding financial returns by investing in early-stage companies with high growth potential in the St. Louis Region and accelerating them to market leadership. The Arch Angels are a part of the region's seed to later stage equity capital continuum and are targeting an investment range that is generally underserved by institutional venture capital firms. The Arch Angel network is an important addition to the region's capacity to finance innovation emerging from our universities and research institutes, companies, and technology incubators. For more information go to www.stlouisarchangels.com

LINC (Leveraging Information and Networks to access Capital)

This is a new initiative by the SBA. It is an online business matchmaking service to help entrepreneurs get connected with lenders. Phase 1 was rolled out in February to assist with connecting small business owners with nonprofit lenders that offer free financial advice and specialize in microlending, smaller loans, and real estate financing. Phase 2 will add more traditional banks that offer an even wider array of financial products, in the longer term, LINC could be modified to facilitate government contracting by connecting eligible small businesses with procurement officers, prime contractors and federal buyers. For more information go to <https://www.sba.gov/tools/linc?herobox>

Missouri Technology Corp

The Missouri Technology Corporation is a public-private partnership created by the Missouri General Assembly to promote entrepreneurship and foster the growth of new and emerging high-tech companies. MTC focuses on 21st Century bioscience industries. Our vision is to transform Missouri through the power of entrepreneurship by serving as a catalyst for technology-based innovation to achieve sustainable economic growth. Our mission is to provide leadership and make strategic investments that help entrepreneurs create and grow technology-based Missouri businesses. MTC focuses on 21st Century bioscience industries that build on Missouri's rich history in agriculture. For more information go to www.missouritechnology.com

T-Rex

T-REX is a world class venue providing the startup entrepreneur with low cost & flexible enterprise space, while serving the region with quality programming and inspiring community. Two years after it's inception, T-REX occupies 5 floors of Lammert on Washington and growing. It is now home to 80+ startups, iTEN, Capital Innovators, Cultivation Capital, SixThirty, Arch Grants and home to many other entrepreneurial activity including Startup Weekend and StartLouis. For more information go to www.downtowntrex.com

BioGenerator

BioGenerator is a privately funded, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization created to facilitate the formation of successful, sustainable bioscience companies in the St. Louis region. BioGenerator is an affiliate of [BioSTL](http://BioSTL.com). BioGenerator's mission is to support economic development and job growth in the St. Louis region. To accomplish this, BioGenerator identifies promising technologies and services, and works with the researcher or entrepreneur to build a successful and sustainable company. BioGenerator provides assistance, possibly with pre-seed or seed funding and access to lab space with specialized equipment, at the early stages of new company formation, with continued support to milestones of follow-on funding or sustainable revenue. For more information go to www.biogenerator.org

Prosper Women Entrepreneurs

Prosper was created to address the entrepreneur gender gap in the St. Louis region. We are a group of business leaders, thinkers, doers, innovators and students who want to make sure that our community is well positioned in the new economy and, more specifically, that women entrepreneurs are a vital part of its future. Prosper Women Entrepreneurs is working with the Golden Seeds, the largest angel group in the US that focuses on women entrepreneurs, to establish an angel network in the St. Louis region dedicated to investing in women-owned and women-led businesses. The Prosper Angel Network will increase women entrepreneurs' access to growth capital and the number of women investing in early stage capital markets. Prosper Accelerator provides female-lead startups with \$50K in funding, mentors, and connections to the top business leaders in the country. Backed by venture capital firm Cultivation Capital, Prosper selects ten female-lead startup companies each year, five for the Fall class and four in the spring. These companies have access to our innovative curriculum, our incredible connections, and the resources they need to take their businesses to the next level.

For more information go to www.prosperstl.com

Square One Program (SQ1)

SQ1 is a hands-on training program designed to assist entrepreneur in the creation and development of their bioscience or advanced technology business in the Bio, IT or Product/Manufacturing industries. Content is delivered by Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) with the goal of helping entrepreneurs learn what is required to commercialize their product or service. SQ1 utilizes a three-pronged approach to instill confidence and skills entrepreneurs need to succeed:

1. Formal instruction
2. Hand-on learning
3. Networking & mentoring

The program consists of 10 weeks of classes, one night each week. There are bullpen or study group sessions that participants may also attend each week. The bullpen sessions allow the participants to interact and engage with industry experts and their classmates in order to complete assignments or explore topics in greater detail. Participants will also have access to co-working space. The program ends with a pitch deck competition in the 11th week where participants may receive cash awards.

Cortex (Center of Research and Technology Exchange) Innovation Community

Cortex is the Midwest's premiere innovation hub of bioscience and technology research, development and commercialization, serving as the anchor of St. Louis' growing ecosystem for innovative startup programs and established companies. Cortex provides state-of-the-art biomedical science and overall technology research facilities to hatch some of the nation's most promising technological advances. Cortex offers customizable lab and office space for rent, proximity to world-class research institutions, availability of a highly-trained workforce, and access to venture capital. For more information go to www.cortexstl.com

Cambridge Innovation Center at the Center for Emerging Technologies (CIC@CET) St. Louis

The CIC @CET occupies more than 30,000 square feet of space on the second floor of the @4240 building, located in the heart of the Cortex innovation district in Midtown. CIC is now managing operations at the CET, adding another 87,000 square feet to its St. Louis space, which will now total more than 110,000 square feet. It will use the added space to help accelerate startup companies. Entrepreneurs can lease space at the CIC for as few as 30 days, which gives startups the ability to scale up or down at a rapid pace. More co-working space, a revamped conference room and reception area are also planned for the CIC@CET. For more information go to <http://stl.cic.us/>

Cambridge Innovation Center at 4240 (CIC@4240) St. Louis

@4240 offers a unique environment for a range of companies including those involved in life sciences, research, technology, legal, innovation and entrepreneurship... conveniently located within the CORTEX district in St. Louis' popular Central West End. @4240 provides 183,000 square feet of office or lab space built out to tenant specifications. Flexible tenant solutions include customized labs for both large and small molecule research, dry labs for electronic, medical device or IT or software research, and modern office space. A Certified LEED Platinum building, @4240 is surrounded by what employees want most including walking distance to green spaces, cafes and living areas.

For more information go to <http://at4240.com/>

Innovative Technology Enterprises (ITE) at UMSL

ITE at UMSL is a university incubator for community as well as university technologies. With office and laboratory space, ITE offers the ideal environment for chemistry, life science, nanotechnology and IT companies. Amenities include access to university resources, use of professional common areas, shared office and laboratory equipment, and a great location with easy access to major highways. For more information go to <http://www.ite-stl.org/>

TechArtista Collaborative Working Center

The TechArtista Collaborative Working Environment is a professional workplace that combines private office suites, coworking space, conference rooms and a host of unique amenities. Located in the cosmopolitan Central West End, our members are creative and business professionals with growing enterprises. Our mission is to create a Collaborative Working Environment that fosters personal and business development. Through a model of facilitated cooperation – sharing networks, ideas, and resources – we aim to take the struggle out of startups. We believe that investing in the St. Louis community to create economic opportunity and promote retention can be both profitable and fun. For more information go to www.techartista.org

Lab 1500

Lab1500 is an entrepreneurial center founded on the principle that collaboration drives innovation. It's a cool, comfortable place where members can utilize co-working space; network with likeminded entrepreneurs; and attend classes, workshops and events. For more information go to www.lab1500.com

Nebula Coworking

Nebula Coworking, located in the heart of the Cherokee Business District provides space for creative professionals, small businesses, independent contractors, artists and non-profits looking for a place to build, create, develop, and collaborate. For more information go to <http://nebulastl.com>

OPO Co-Working Center

OP is a co-working center for digital Startups. Located in the newly renovated "Old Post Office" building in St. Charles, MO, the 10,000 square foot facility provides regional startups with affordable workspace and access to mentors, potential investor, programming, educational resources and a community of local entrepreneurs. For more information go to www.opostartups.com

AAIM Employers' Association provides cutting-edge resources which help its members manage their people and processes. AAIM partners with company leadership and management in human resources by providing topical research and information, technical guidance, training and HR consulting, pre-employment services, small business training courses, seminars, roundtable discussions, and webinars on a variety of topics including computer skills, negotiating skills, customer service, interpersonal communication, PowerPoint presentations, and more. For a complete schedule of upcoming programs or to register for any of the programs go to www.aamea.org or call 314/968-5360

St. Louis Small Business Development Center

The Missouri Small Business Development Center Program delivers up-to-date counseling, training and technical assistance in all aspects of small business management, assisting small businesses with financial, marketing, production, organization, engineering and technical problems and feasibility studies. Special SBDC programs including:

- International trade, technical, and procurement assistance
- Venture capital formation and rural development
- Assistance to small businesses applying for Small Business Innovation and Research (SBIR) grants from federal agencies

The SBDC also makes special efforts to reach members of socio-economically disadvantaged groups, e.g., veterans, women, and the disabled. Assistance is provided to both current or potential small business owners. For more information go to <https://stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/slde/economic-development/business-services/Missouri-Small-Business-Development-Center.cfm>

SixThirty Accelerator Program for Financial Technology Startups

SixThirty provides \$100K in seed investment and mentorship for fintech startups that are in the early stages of funding and development. Backed by the St. Louis Regional Chamber and venture capital firm Cultivation Capital. SixThirty selects eight financial-based technology startup companies each year, four for the Fall class and four in the spring. Those companies selected to take part in the accelerator program will receive hand-on training, mentoring, and networking opportunities with the top financial services companies in the region. For more information about the program or to apply go to www.sixthirty.co

IT Entrepreneur Network (ITEN)

The catalyst for Tech startups, ITEN provides a foundational system for entrepreneurs to work together towards building strong startups and a vibrant tech ecosystem. Access to investors, key service providers and qualified talent means lower barriers to rapid growth. Designed by entrepreneurs for entrepreneurs, requiring neither payment nor equity, ITEN is a unique community asset and a proven route to venture success.

For more information go to www.itenstl.org

Missouri Small Business & Technology Development Centers The Missouri Small Business & Technology Development Centers (MO SBTDC) help businesses in every stage. From concept to startup, growth to renewal, mature to succession. We are here to help you succeed at every point. MO SBTDC experts are located statewide providing help on a variety of business topics through:

- Professional business analysis
- Business consultation and access to technology resources
- Educational training seminars on a variety of business topics: financial analysis, strategic planning, technology commercialization, management, HR, social media, marketing, taxes, customer service, business plan, startup and more.

For more information about the programs and how to register for training seminars go to <http://www.missouribusiness.net/>

Hispanic Leadership Institute

The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of St. Louis Foundation has established the Hispanic Leadership Institute as a select program for 15-20 individuals consisting of nine, day-long seminars or experiences held monthly. Class IV commenced in October 2014 and graduates in June 2015. The HLI will train professionals on for-profit and non-profit leadership skills and network development. Program fee of \$1,000. For more information or to apply go to www.hccstl.com or contact Karlos Ramirez and kramirez@hccstl.com or 314/644-4432

St. Louis Minority Business Development Center

The MBDA Business Center located in St. Louis, MO is operated by the Chicago Minority Business Development Council, Incorporated. The center is part of a national network of funded centers located in major cities throughout the United States. The center works with minority business enterprises to generate increased financing and contract opportunities and to create and retain jobs. The mission of the center is to strengthen the US economy by helping ethnic minority businesses create or retain jobs, and build economically vibrant socially responsible entrepreneurs, businesses, and communities.

For more information go to <http://www.mbda.gov/businesscenters/stlouis>

St. Louis Small Business Administration offers FREE online courses and webinars for small businesses and entrepreneurs, including “Affordable Care Act 101 webinars, starting a small business, managing a small business, financing a business, and contracting. For more information about these online courses go to <http://www.sba.gov/content/st-louis-district-office>

St. Louis Minority Business Council (SLMBC) provides ongoing growth opportunities, financial support, and training and education for its corporate members and for Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs). For more information go to www.slmcb.org

The Young Entrepreneur Council

The **Young Entrepreneur Council (YEC)** is an invite-only organization comprised of the world’s most promising young entrepreneurs. In partnership with Citi, YEC recently launched **StartupCollective**, a free virtual mentorship program that helps millions of entrepreneurs start and grow businesses. For more information or to join go to <http://yec.co/>

St. Louis Economic Development Partnership

The St. Louis Economic Development Partnership (formerly St. Louis County Economic Council) marks a new era of collaboration within St. Louis by aligning regional efforts in business development, business finance, entrepreneurial support and international trade services. The mission of St. Louis Economic Development Partnership is to lead in the development and growth of long-term diversified business and employment opportunities by creating innovative solutions that generate increased wealth and enhanced quality of life for the citizens, businesses and institutions of the St. Louis region.

Business Development Division provides a broad range of incentives, resources and customized services to help you lay the foundation for your company’s move to or expansion in St. Louis. For more information go to <http://www.stpartnership.com/business-development-resources.html>

AccelerateSTL helps startups and investors connect with each other and find resources. For more information go to www.acceleratestlouis.org

STLVentureWorks is the place to be for new ideas and the next generation of successful, high-potential companies. The STLventureWorks team can put your business on the fast track with on-site support, fresh insights, networking and customized mentoring.

Our incubator network includes five locations:

- Grand Center (3830 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108)
- South County (315 Lemay Ferry Road, St. Louis MO 63125)
- Wellston (6439 Plymouth Ave., Wellston, MO 63133)
- West County (743 Spirit 40 Park Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63005)
- Helix Center Biotech Incubator (1100 Corporate Square, Creve Coeur, MO 63132)

For more information go to <http://www.stpartnership.com/stlventureworks.html>

The BALSA Foundation

The BALSAs Foundation was founded to support anyone wishing to pursue new business ideas but who may not have the background, resources, or funds needed to get started. Our mission is to make entrepreneurship accessible – and success attainable – to everyone. We aim to cultivate an inclusive entrepreneurial culture in St. Louis by preparing any inventor or creative thinker to enter the St. Louis entrepreneurial community. The BALSAs Foundation is the philanthropic arm of The BALSAs Group focused on helping individuals start businesses. We provide informational resources, peer-to-peer advising, and non-dilutive funding to people wanting to get their business dreams off the ground. We support individuals who may not have access to such expertise or financial capital and who are in the process of starting their first business. For more information go to www.thebalsafoundation.org

International Institute Business Development Corp.

The IISTL Economic Development Department provides workshops for entrepreneurs, for start-ups, businesses that need strengthening or that are looking to expand their goods and services. The focus is on helping businesses be successful. The workshops serve to strengthen our TA to immigrant entrepreneurs by formalizing some of the TA topics currently offered one-on-one into a structured workshop program. Language assistance is available as needed from the bilingual and multi-lingual staff in the Economic Development department. For more information go to <http://www.iistl.org/smallbizcenter.html>

St. Louis Community College Corporate College The Corporate College is the newest addition to St. Louis Community College's growing network of facilities and programs bringing demand-driven workforce training to the region. Renovated in 2011 to have nearly 30,000 square feet of new space to serve the needs of corporate St. Louis, it is the first facility solely dedicated to corporate education and professional development, unlike any other asset the college owns. The Corporate College also is home to the Workforce Solutions Group, the entrepreneurial workforce development division of the college that offers a robust menu of programs and solutions designed to advance people, businesses and communities.

For more information go to <http://www.stlcc.edu/corporatecollege/Index.html>

Missouri Venture Forum

Missouri Venture Forum is a non-profit organization formed in 1985 that serves as a catalyst bringing together the people genuinely interested in helping entrepreneurs. The mission of Missouri Venture Forum is to serve entrepreneurs – those leading the growth of earlier stage businesses – through peer networking, topical education and access to capital resources. Entrepreneurial activity and access to capital is facilitated through networking, education, and information exchange. For more information go to www.missouriventureforum.org

Innovate St. Louis

Innovate Saint Louis strives to educate innovators, entrepreneurs and the public about how great ideas become viable business endeavors and to better collaborate and help build the entrepreneurial eco system necessary to make the greater St. Louis region an international hub of innovation and entrepreneurship. As a 501(c)3 public charity, Innovate Saint Louis offers all services free of charge. Organizational programs match innovative new business ideas with volunteer mentors who can help these ideas grow into companies by coaching emerging entrepreneurs through the steps of starting, growing and maintaining a business. For more information go to www.innovatestl.org

Gateway Venture Mentoring Service (VMS)

Gateway Venture Mentoring Service is an entrepreneur support organization whose primary goal is to “facilitate a successful environment for entrepreneurship in the Greater St. Louis region.” We do this in one of two ways:

- Through networking and team based volunteer mentoring
- Through referrals to the most appropriate Entrepreneur Support Organization (ESO)

For more information go to www.gatewayvms.org

St. Louis SCORE offers free business counseling and resources, low-cost workshops, and free business scan services. If you're starting a business, preparing for a loan, or have existing business issues or opportunities, SCORE mentors can help. offers many small business seminars and webinars workshops. To learn more about the programs go to <http://stlouis.score.org/>

MOKAN Capacity Building 6-Week Institution: Skills Training for Minorities and Women Contractors

The St. Louis Business Institute in conjunction with the St. Louis Develop Corporation are excited to announce the new technical training course program that assist minority and women owned construction companies with capacity building through hands on technical assistance, skilled workshops and course trainings designed specifically to address business development needs. Minority and women owned contractors will be able to participate in a 6-week training program specifically designed to advance management and operational skills. Contractors will also have an option to participate in monthly technical assistance courses as well as individualized one-on-one business enhancement sessions with industry experts to address specific business development concerns.

For more information or to register go to <http://www.stlouisbusinessinstitute.com/capacity-building-course-schedules.html>

St. Louis Community Credit Union offers FREE small business training workshops through **CU Excel Center**. To get more information about the workshops or to register contact center@stlouiscommunity.com or go to www.cuexcelcenter.com

Enterprise Bank & Trust offers FREE small business training workshops through **Enterprise University**. To get more information about these workshop or to register online go to www.enterprisebank.com and click on the icon for Enterprise University. Or you can send an email to enterpriseuniversity@enterprisebank.com or call 314/512-7203

Electro Savings Credit Union “Ask the Experts” Business Seminar Series presented at no cost and held at Electro's Maryland Heights Community Room (1805 Craigshire Rd., Maryland Heights, MO). RSVP to Pat at ppetty@escu.org or 314/4343-6470 x1406

Worknet

Worknet has a unique community based program that works with employers who want access to a highly productive workforce that is prized for its reliability, diligence, and job skills.. We are looking to develop a mutually beneficial partnership with your business organization

For more information go to www.worknetnow.com

Justine Petersen

The nation's second-largest SBA microlender and one of its strongest advocates for first-time homebuyers. They have a dedicated loan pool for businesses located throughout the greater St. Louis region. Justine Petersen supports small businesses through funding and technical assistance. For more information go to www.justinpetersen.org

Kauffman Founders School

The Founders School is an online educational resource dedicated to entrepreneurship. Through lectures and a rich curriculum, we'll give you the skills and tools to build your idea into something big. For more information go to <http://www.entrepreneurship.org/Founders-School.aspx>