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WELCOME

Hello Business owners! It's been a while since I sent anything out. I am trying out something new with this format. Please let me know how you feel about the layout and what improvements or additions you would like to see. As always, my focus has been on providing you with information, opportunities, and resources that will hopefully enhance your business and give your business opportunities to grow. Look at the remaining newsletter for some exciting information and opportunities.

GRANT INFO

DEADLINES BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2022

Please be advised that these are NOT grants being offered by the City of Bridgeport. If you need more detailed information about them, you are encouraged to contact the source directly. Googling any of the names will direct you to their websites.

[Evolve Small \(Lenovo\)](#) – 12/16/2022

[Stand With Studios](#) – 12/15/2022

[AT&T Dream in Black](#) – 12/31/2022

[First Strides Grant Program - Johnnie Walker/iFundWomen](#) – 12/31/2022

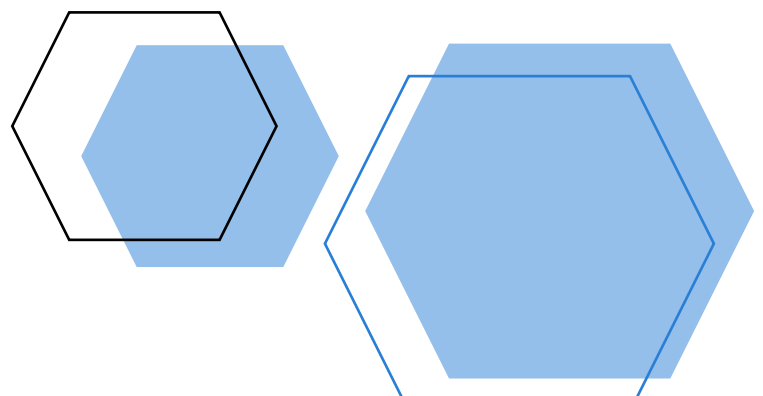
[Incfile Fresh Start Business Grant](#) – 12/31/2022

[Fearless Strivers](#) – 12-31-2022

[BIPOC Fitness Grant Program - Movement Foundation](#) – 12/31/2022

[HerRise Micro-Grant](#) – Ongoing

[Freed Fellowship](#) -Ongoing



GET OUT. GET ACTIVE.

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NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

In the past I've sent out information regarding events hosted by different Business Councils and groups for Bridgeport businesses. Look below at a few groups that you can be a part of.

WEST END ASSOCIATION ndacey@amodexusa.com

The Mission

- Provide a networking space for our businesses.
- Discuss local issues - particularly those of interest to our membership.
- Promote the West End as a thriving space for business.

Common Issues

1. Policing and Safety
2. Garbage and Cleanup
3. Zoning
4. City Regulations
5. Hiring Assistance
6. Public Funding that is Available
7. TAXES

BRIDGEPORT REGIONAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

www.brbc.org

THE BRBC VISION

The vision of the **Bridgeport Regional Business Council** in the years ahead is to be the region's premier business organization, one that will work with its membership to create an environment where:

- Small business is attracted and thrives
- Communities and organizations are collaborative
- Identified economic development projects that are part of an overall economic development vision are successful



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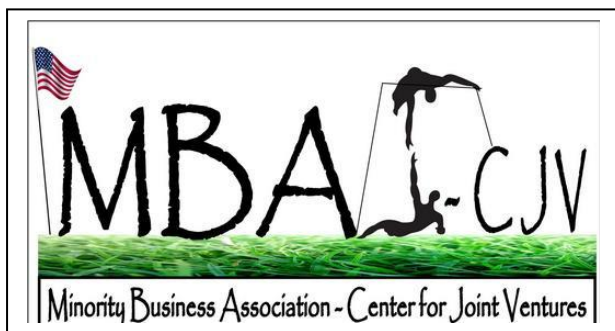
<https://www.mba-cjv.org/home-.html>

Our Mission Statement

Our organization is dedicated to assisting you in every aspect of development, growth, promotion, and support of your business. We invite all businesses and individuals to join us. We strengthen the capacity, capability, and business opportunities for our members through networking with each other and with the majority of businesses, municipalities, and individuals.

To share these Goals:

We meet the last Wednesday of each month at the Newfield Library on Central Ave in Bridgeport, CT.



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LOOKING BACK...

This year is just about over. 2022 has surely put us all to the test. Whether your business experienced loss or gains, the important thing is YOU ARE STILL HERE. I hope next year brings nothing but great opportunities for you all. In ending your year, don't forget to have all your business affairs for tax time. For all the new businesses that have registered this year, please reach out, or take a look at the city based-business list on our webpage www.bridgeportct.gov/smbe if you need to locate a tax professional. There are a few on the list. I plan on sending out another newsletter before the year end. So,

Talk to you soon,

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