



Events Black Business Week 2022

August is National Black Business month. To lead into the nationally recognized month, the City of Minneapolis is amplifying, celebrating, strengthening, and supporting Black business development in Minneapolis with a broad range of events and activities.

For more information, please visit minneapolismn.gov/blackbusiness

Black Business Week Kickoff Summit

Monday, July 25th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM

Sabathani Community Center, 2nd Floor Gym and Banquet Center at 310 E 38th Street, Ward 8

Led by Council President Andrea Jenkins

- Policy roundtable focused on economic recovery and small business
- Opportunities to network and support a variety of Black businesses, organizations, and vendors
- Accessible resources for business owners and entrepreneurs

Business Support Funding for Creatives Grant Application Clinic

Tuesday, July 26th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM

Rare Productions at 3010 East Lake Street, Ward 2

Led by City of Minneapolis' Office of Arts, Culture, and The Creative Economy

- Funding opportunities and business support for small creative businesses
- Application clinic for those who need assistance or have questions pertaining the application

Black Business Week Roundtable Discussion

Tuesday, July 26th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

NEON at 1007 West Broadway Avenue North, Ward 5

Led by Council Member Ellison

- Connect with business owners who have successfully utilized the Commercial Property Development Fund
- Access advice and resources on how the City can help with businesses

Business Roundtable on Growing Immigrant Business

Wednesday, July 27th from 12:00 to 1:30 PM

Opportunity Center at 505 15th Avenue South, Ward 6

Led by Council Member Osman

Opportunity and Access – Doing Business with the City of Minneapolis

Wednesday, July 27th from 2:00 to 5:00 PM

Minneapolis Urban League at 2100 Plymouth Avenue North, Ward 5

Led by the City of Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights

- Explains the application process for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program
- Opportunities to learn about the Target Market program and the bidding process



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Black Business Networking Reception

Thursday, July 28th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Breakfast Bar at 319 N 1st Ave N, Ward 3

Led by Mayor Frey's Office

- A chance for Black businesses and entrepreneurs to connect and build business relationships in a social setting

The Business of Sports

Thursday, July 28th from 6:00 to 7:15 PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Led by City of Minneapolis' Department of Civil Rights Office

- Aimed towards young, black athletes who want to pursue a career in sports
- Educates attendees on the role of sports in the civil rights movements
- Information on the many different career opportunities available in the sports industry

Let's Get Informed: East African Community Resource Fair

Friday, July 29th from 5:00 to 8:00 PM

Brian Coyle Community Center at 420 S 15th Ave, Ward 6

Led by Council Member Osman

- Explore business resources available from a city, county, to state level for East African businesses

Dream Team Beauty Presents: A Lesson for Gen Z

Saturday, July 30th from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

2010 Fremont Avenue North, Ward 5

Led by Antonisha Woods, Dream Team Beauty

- Youth hair training event that teaches the technical skills of braiding and proper hair washing techniques for those pursuing a career in hair care
- Interview opportunity as well as practice

Fabulously Fit for Future Generations

Saturday, July 30th from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Les Jolies Petites School of Dance at 1106 West Broadway Avenue North, Ward 5

Led by Dr. Sharon Cook, Les Jolies Petites School of Dance

- Provides an outlet for individuals to maintain a healthy mindset after the events of COVID-19
- Provided training of tools to maintain a healthy mental state and wellbeing, such as; Centering Calming and Meditation, Cardio, Anatomy, Nutrition, Proper Stretching, and Pilates