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Bridging Allegany, Garrett, and Washington Counties



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The Technical Innovation Center at Hagerstown Community College is hosting a government services showcase for an overview of federal, state and local programs for businesses in Western Maryland.

Monday Oct. 6th
9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Merle S Elliot Conference Center Room 210
Hagerstown Community College
9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Learn how government programs can help your business.

Program highlights to include:

- Federal Programs Overview (PLA, CRADA, SBIR)
- Federal Lab Consortium (FLC) Overview
- FLC Available Technologies Search Tool Demo
- Technology Licensing Opportunities
- FLC Business Search Tool Demo
- Funding Opportunities
- TEDCO, DBED and MBIA Overview

Registration is \$20 and includes lunch.



Power of Possibilities Summit

Friday, October 24, 2014 Garrett College 687 Mosser Road, McHenry, MD 21545

This conference will provide networking and insights for your business to help entrepreneurs and regional emerging businesses.

It will be ideal for infrastructure and entrepreneurial support organizations and serious entrepreneurs looking to launch their new idea or to better understand the resources available to them as they continue to grow an existing business.

Included with General Admission registration, you will receive:

- Presentations from government and industry leaders
- Breakfast and a buffet lunch
- Printed copy of Gallup Inc's Entrepreneurial Strengths
 Finder and the E-Myth by Michael Gerber
- Access to the vendor show
- Access to the After-Conference Networking Event
- Hardcopy "toolkit" of regional resources and opportunities

This effort is an ongoing, all-encompassing regional initiative toward addressing gaps in education and training opportunities and will help provide a new avenue to enhance a valuable and skilled workforce. The outcome of this conference will help existing businesses and entrepreneurs to be sustainable as well as further develop the regional economy. The primary service area of this effort is Garrett, Allegany and Washington, County MD, Bedford and Somerset County, PA, and Hampshire and Mineral County, WV.

Register by clicking <u>here</u> or by calling Sarah Myers at 301-387-3771



Governor O'Malley and Lt. Governor Brown kick off 3rd annual InvestMaryland Challenge

Governor Martin O'Malley and Lt. Governor Anthony Brown officially launched the third <u>InvestMaryland Challenge</u>, Maryland's national

business competition. The Challenge is part of Maryland's comprehensive strategy to grow the State's thriving entrepreneurial community and create jobs -- it connects innovative startups with the resources they need to reach the next level. Winners in four categories will each receive \$100,000 grants. The Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) is awarding the prize money through the Maryland Venture Fund and BioMaryland Center. Prizes include cash grants, incubator space, marketing and legal services, and opportunities to pitch investors.



2015 InvestMaryland Challenge Promo

Applications are due Dec. 12.

For more information please click **here**.

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