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**Monday
November 19, 2018
5:00 pm
Washington County
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Business Meeting**

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SBA Baltimore District Office Seeks Nominees for 2019 Maryland Small Business Week Awards Program

Small Business Person of the Year nominees are judged on a variety of criteria, including staying power, growth in employment and sales, innovation of products or services and evidence of contributions to the community. Nominees are also sought for **Small Business Exporter of the Year** and a variety of **Local Award categories**.

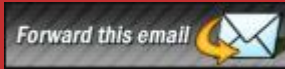
Local award categories include: Financial Services Champion, Home-Based Small Business, Minority-Owned Small Business, Veteran-Owned Small Business, Woman-Owned Small Business, Family-Owned Small Business, Entrepreneurial Success, Small Business Exporter, Young Entrepreneur, Rising Star Student Entrepreneur and three industry awards, the Accountant Champion, Insurance Advocate and Attorney Advocate.

The submission deadline is Wednesday, January 9, 2019. Winners will be announced in late March 2019 and will be honored at the 35th Annual MD Small Business Week Awards Luncheon in Woodlawn, Maryland on Thursday, June 6, 2019.

To obtain nomination criteria and submission guidelines, follow [this link](#), visit SBA on the web at www.sba.gov/md, or contact Rachel Howard at (410) 244-3337 or by email at rachel.howard@sba.gov.



U.S. Small Business
Administration



Notice of Funding Availability

Youth Build Program

U.S. Department of Labor announces the availability of grant funds authorized by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Under this announcement, DOL will award grants through a competitive process to organizations providing pre-apprenticeship services that support education, occupational skills training, and employment services to at-risk youth, ages 16 to 24, while performing meaningful work and service to their communities. In addition to construction skills training, YouthBuild applicants may include occupational skills training in other in-demand industries. This expansion into additional in-demand industries is the Construction Plus component, a priority in this grant competition.

Application Deadline is September 18, 2018.

SAVE THE DATE

2018 MEDA Fall Conference

Monday, October 22, 2018

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Rocky Gap Casino Resort

16701 Lakeview Road

Flintstone, Maryland 21530

MEDA 2018 Fall Conference

*Understanding the
Site Selection Process*

For complete conference information, schedule, registration, and more, visit <https://www.medamd.com/>

The conference will be the kickoff for 2018 Economic Development Week!



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