



Council Connections

Bridging Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties
April 16, 2026

AI Implementation Boot Camp

From AI Buzzwords to Business Strategy

April 30, 2026
Full Day VIRTUAL Boot Camp
9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

This fast-paced virtual boot camp, delivered by **Global Knowledge**, helps participants understand AI technologies, explore real-world use cases, and develop practical strategies for integrating machine learning into business operations.

Participants will leave with the ability to:

- Identify realistic AI opportunities
- Understand machine learning tools and architectures
- Communicate effectively with technical teams
- Develop a practical AI adoption strategy

Who Should Attend

- Business owners and organizational leaders
- IT managers and technology professionals
- Manufacturing and operations leaders
- Healthcare and public sector professionals
- Project managers and workforce development leaders

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Amazon Web Services AI Pitch Competition

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Thursday, May 14, 2026, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Western Maryland Works,
37 Lane Ave., LaVale, Maryland 21505.

Hosted by Maryland SBDC and Frostburg State University

Serving Garrett, Allegany and Washington Counties in Maryland

This isn't your typical pitch competition. The AI Showcase is a curated experience designed to spotlight visionary organizations doing extraordinary things. Handpicked for their innovation and potential, each participating team will present a challenge or concept - ranging from fully formed AI initiatives to early-stage ideas in need of technical support.

In front of a panel of AWS industry experts, showcase participants receive real-time feedback, guidance, and up to \$50,000 in AWS and PREDICTif services to help bring their vision to life. Up to 10 finalists will compete for up to \$50K in AWS & PREDICTif services. Join top AI innovators as they present their groundbreaking solutions to a panel of expert judges. Experience the future of AI in Maryland. Free to attend: Registration is required and limited to 110 attendees.

Register to attend: <https://mdsbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events/18502>

Applications are open from April 1 to April 30, 2026.

Entry deadline is April 30th at 11:59 p.m. (EST).

Email full application materials to jdbroadwater@frostburg.edu



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How to Fund Your Business Startup

April 20, 2026

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM

Cost: Free

For more details and to Register, follow [this link](#).

Cybersecurity Threat & Strategy Update 2026

April 22, 2026

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Cost: Free

For more details and to Register, follow [this link](#).

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