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What We're Working On

We're looking forward to our Fall events! It will be a busy time for UEDA in many ways. Join us as we increase our knowledge, celebrate anniversaries and accomplishments, and connect with our friends in the UEDA community!

- **Silver City International Festival on Saturday, September 9 from 12pm to 5pm.** VOLUNTEER with us and help share information and trusted resources on financial empowerment and homeownership. This [lively festival](#) celebrates our diverse communities. [Sign up here>>>](#)
- **Emerging Topics in Economic Development - Session 2:** Bridging the Racial Disparity in Wealth Creation in Milwaukee. On Tuesday, September 12 (8:30-10:30 AM) we'll learn about new research on household wealth and homeownership from UW-Milwaukee, supported by Mortgage Guaranty Insurance Corp (MGIC). Registration is limited, sign up [by September 5](#). [Details here>>>](#)
- **Bank On Greater Milwaukee 4th Anniversary event & Coalition meeting** will be held on Tuesday, September 19th from 11:00AM to 1:00PM. Held in partnership with the FDIC Milwaukee Alliance for Economic Inclusion (AEI), Bank On Greater Milwaukee (BOGM) will be celebrating 4 years of successful collaboration. We will learn more about the Bank On National Data Hub, showcase the accomplishments of our partners, and network over lunch. [Learn more and register here>>>](#)

And Save the Dates!

- Our **next Emerging Topics sessions will be held the week of October 9 and 16.** We will feature topics as part of WI Tech Month and SEWRPC's 2024 update to VISION 2050.
- The **UEDA Community Gathering and Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17 from 4:30-6:30PM.** This annual event is our opportunity to recognize volunteers & partners, report to the membership AND connect with others in the UEDA Community.

Welcome to our new Trinity Fellow!

Adam Bridges starts with UEDA next week as part of the Marquette University Trinity Fellows program, class of 2025. They will serve as our next Communications & Events Coordinator, assisting us with a variety of activities that support the UEDA network. Adam most recently worked with the AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), has a degree in Theatre & Film Studies + Anthropology, and is new to Milwaukee. So be sure to reach out & say hello!

Help UEDA find their new home!

And we've grown! And are growing out of our space. **UEDA is looking for a new office space.** We'd love to stay in our current neighborhood (Brewer's Hill/Bronzeville) as we've been here since 2005 (it's home!) If you have any suggestions or connections to be made please reach out.

UEDA Member Highlights

UEDA member Milwaukee Christian Center was highlighted by TMJ4 for their youth's work with an inspiring mural created through the **MCC Community Art Leaders Program!** [Read the story here>>>](#)

Bader Philanthropies recently announced they are working to create a **Leadership Institute** that will bring together existing leaders around a common framework. They are working with Groundwork Leadership Institute and hope to launch it in Summer 2024. [Read more here>>](#)

Congratulations to all the nominees and winners at this year's LISC MANDI Awards! Held on August 11, the awards recognized excellence in community development in seven categories. Special shout-out to UEDA Members, Partners and Friends **Acts Housing, Scale Up Milwaukee, Riverworks Development Corp, Coretta Herring, Marjorie Rucker** for being recognized. [Read the recap here](#) and check out the photo and video gallery at mandiawards.com.

Congratulations to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation and Community Development Alliance (CDA) for being recognized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for their work to advance collective work on housing issues in Milwaukee. [Read more at NNS here>>>](#)

The Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce recently announced that its President & CEO Saul Newton will step down after eight years of leading the organization and developing it into a national model. We salute you Saul for your commitment to supporting the veteran business community and have appreciated the partnership these past many years.

Associated Bank's renovation of the Associated Bank River Center in Downtown Milwaukee is complete! It includes the opening of a new riverfront cocktail lounge, Vault, and feature other quick-service establishments. [Learn more here>>](#)

The WWBIC South Central office will move to the new Black Business Hub in Madison in September as part of partnership that will deepen their support of small businesses. [Read the press release here>>>](#)

United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS) will be celebrating their 60th anniversary with an Open House. Join on September 21st from 5:30-7:30 PM for information on their impact, connection and more. [Register to join here>>>](#)

The Harbor District's SUMMER EN LA PLAZA series is underway! Upcoming events include Sana Sana Celebration on September 3rd. The District also sponsors kayak tours and fishing clinics and save the date for Harbor Fest on September 24! [View details for all events here>>>](#)

UMCS is also helping build homes in Washington Park! With support from the State Department of Workforce Development, the City of Milwaukee, LISC-Milwaukee, and the Community Development Alliance, UMCS is partnering with **VIA CDC** to construct nine new single-family homes on vacant lots in Washington Park. Learn more about the project in the [UMCS newsletter>>>](#)

The Milwaukee Public Library and Milwaukee Justice Center host a free monthly Mobile Legal Clinic. The clinic can help with legal advice for issues including landlord/tenant, eviction and eviction records, small claims, debt/collections, probate, guardianship, divorce, child custody/placement, child support, and pardons/expungement. [The next one is on September 8th>>>](#)

UMCS is looking for volunteers to cook on Wednesdays! The kitchen is available between 9:00am-10am in the Community Food Center. Please reach out to Sha'Ron for more information, sha'ron.maclin@umcs-wi.org.

The City of Milwaukee Department of City Development (DCD) Growing MKE outreach continues! This citywide planning effort will set a framework for housing growth and choice in Milwaukee, resulting in a proposed amendment to the Citywide Policy Plan and updates to the City's Zoning Code. Upcoming office hours include September 7th from 3-6 PM at the Bay View Public Library (2566 S Kinnickinnic Ave, Milwaukee) [Learn more about Growing MKE and sign up to receive updates>>>](#)

- [Growing MKE Events-English](#)
- [Growing MKE Events-Spanish](#)
- [Growing MKE Events-Hmong](#)

MEMBER & PARTNER JOB OPENINGS

Find a listing of current job openings [HERE](#). Contact kat@uedawi.org if you are a member and have an opening you would like added. And, be sure to check out the **Jobs That Help** [website](#) to find or list a nonprofit job opportunity in the state!

UEDA Community

Mayor Cavalier Johnson is hosting a City of Milwaukee 2024 Preliminary Budget Hearing on August 31st from 5:30 - 7:30 pm via Zoom. Together with Nik Kovac, Mayor Johnson will provide opportunity for community members to offer input and perspective on next year's fiscal plan for the City of Milwaukee. [Register to attend here>>>](#). The 2024 budget documents can be accessed [here>>>](#).

The Milwaukee County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) has launched the Complete Communities Transportation Planning Project. This is an effort to increase pedestrian and biker safety and address reckless driving. Milwaukee County is working with municipal leaders and residents to develop a comprehensive, data-driven, countywide plan. Learn about the project [here>>](#).

Extension Waukesha County will be hosting a Plan Commission workshop, **"Exploring Waukesha County's Housing Landscape Trends and Opportunities"** on **Tuesday, September 12 from 6-8pm** to discuss and inform community development strategies. [Learn more here>>](#)

The **City of Milwaukee and WisDOT** are working together **to redesign Sherman Boulevard** from W. North Avenue to W. Capitol Drive. They are seeking input from Milwaukeeans on the proposed project, planning work will be ongoing through 2025. Learn more, sign up for updates and more [here>>>](#)

County Executive David Crowley concluded his County 2024 Budget Town Hall Series last week. He gave public presentations at four locations throughout the community. The town halls also included a resource and job fair where residents connected with Milwaukee County departments to access available services and inquire about employment opportunities. [Watch the budget town hall here>>>](#)

The Milwaukee County Board approved a new 0.4% countywide sales in July. Read about the sales tax in this Urban Milwaukee [article>>>](#)

The Urban Institute has an Emergency Rental Assistance Priority Index. This tool is designed to help local decisionmakers identify neighborhoods with the greatest need for rental assistance and an equity lens when allocating these resources. [Search for your county and see the tool here>>>](#)

Community Advocates Public Policy Institute will provide Question, Persuade, Refer QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper workshops at your organization upon request. Each September, prevention advocates and stakeholders highlight the importance of learning how to identify and discuss potential warning signs of suicide. This 1.5-hour workshop normalizes conversations about suicide and teaches participants how to listen nonjudgmentally and encourage someone who may be thinking of suicide to get appropriate help. Interested in offering this session to your organization? Contact Rita Liesiefsky at rliesiefsky@communityadvocates.net.

Finalists for the 2023 Community and Economic Development Awards (CEDA) were announced today by the Wisconsin Economic Development Association (WEDA). The CEDA Awards were established by WEDA to recognize and celebrate businesses, projects, and organizations that are making significant contributions to Wisconsin's economy. Read the announcement [email here>>>](#)

The State of Wisconsin is surveying residents to understand who has access to internet and how affordable it is. This survey covers different areas and will affect how much federal funding the State of Wisconsin will get to expand broadband. [Please share and take the survey here>>>](#)

Changes are happening to the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). The form will be reduced to just 36 questions and it will be easier to import income data from tax records. The Department of Education is also changing its formulas to determine who will qualify for aid and how much they'll receive. The changes fulfill [legislation passed in 2020](#) aiming to make student aid easier to get. [Read more here>>>](#)

Small Business & Nonprofits

Nonprofit career and professional development opportunities can be found at the [Jobs That Help Events Calendar](#). We thank them for being a member & partner in this work!

The **Republican National Convention will take place in Milwaukee in the summer of 2024**, an opportunity to ensure that the people of the Greater Milwaukee area and Wisconsin as a whole share in the economic success of the convention. The

MKE 2024 Host Committee is looking for businesses interested in being vendors, who can sign up for updates on potential opportunities through the [MKE2024 Vendor Connection](#).

Project Pitch It! now accepting applications

This program, presented by the UW-Milwaukee Lubar Entrepreneurship Center and sponsored in the media by BizTimes Media and WISN12, **features entrepreneurs who present their game-changing innovations** and vie for prizes valued up to \$40,000 for their business.

If you are a Wisconsin resident and own a business with a product or service that helps and inspires people in Wisconsin, you're eligible to [submit a video pitch](#) by **September 29!** [Learn more here>>>](#)

The Young Nonprofit Professionals Network (YNPN) Milwaukee chapter invites the community to submit nominations for the Unsung Heroes Awards, which recognize deserving individuals who have demonstrated exemplary leadership, innovation, and commitment to their nonprofit organizations and the causes they serve. If you know someone who has made a significant impact on the community through their work in the nonprofit sector, now is the time to celebrate their efforts. [Learn more here>>>](#)

To nominate and recognize a nonprofit professional at this prestigious occasion, please complete the online award nominations by **October 1, 2023**:

- [Emerging Leader Award](#)
- [Distinguished Leader Award](#)
- [Ilona Nicole Award](#)

The Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce is celebrating 20 years! Join HWCC in celebrating 20 years of building businesses in Wisconsin by nominating a Wisconsin-based business or professional for their 2023 Annual Business Awards Celebration. The event will be held Friday, October 13 at the Potawatomi Event Center in Milwaukee. [Learn more and register here>>>](#).

WI LGBT Chamber of Commerce LGBTQ+ Entrepreneur Bootcamp

September 14 & 15 | Held in Downtown Milwaukee

Applications are open through September 1st for this two day intensive is aimed to help LGBTQ+ and allied individuals launch and accelerate their own businesses. [Learn more & apply here: https://wislgbtchamber.com/lgbtq-bootcamp/](https://wislgbtchamber.com/lgbtq-bootcamp/)

WWBIC 2023 Program/Training Catalogs are available in English & Spanish - please share with your networks!

Access all catalogs [for each region here>>](#)

Upcoming Events

Forever Affordable! Housing

Wednesday, September 6 | 9:00am-5:00pm

At Gather at the Deer District, Milwaukee

This event, hosted by the Community Development Alliance (CDA), will engage attendees in solutions-focused conversations around quality, affordable homes for Black and Latine Milwaukeeans. Parking & food are complimentary. [Register here](#) by **Friday, September 1st**.

Near West Side Week

September 10-16

Each day find events and promotions throughout this "Neighborhood of Neighborhoods". [Learn more here>>>](#)

Rev-Up MKE Live Pitch Competition

Wednesday, September 13 | 5:00-8:30pm

Hear from the finalists, cast your vote for the audience choice winner and enjoy a taste of the Near West Side by sampling food from neighborhood restaurants. [Learn more>>](#)

SDC Summit on Poverty

September 14 & 15 | Hyatt Regency Milwaukee

Hosted by the Social Development Commission, the 2023 Summit expands learning, engagement, and advocacy for community action agencies, human service, government, and education professionals. [Learn more and register here>>>](#)

Go Green for the Parks Celebration

Tuesday, September 19 | 5:00pm to 8:30pm

Held at South Shore Park, includes fun activities for all ages, drinks, appetizers and a paddle raise. Proceeds benefit Milwaukee County Parks.

Purchase tickets before 7/31 for early bird pricing. [Learn more>>](#)

Acts Housing Neighborhood Table**September 20, 2023 | Deer District**

Acts Housing's Neighborhood Table is an annual signature event to celebrate the impact of Acts Housing with Acts Families and our community of supporters. This family-friendly celebration is a night that will once again takeover The Deer District and leave guests with a renewed sense of pride in our community. Register to join [here>>>](#)

6th Latino Economic Unsummit: Prospering Together**Friday, September 22 | 8:00AM to 2:00PM | Crowne Plaza**

This annual event seeks to bring together small and emerging businesses to foster learning, networking, and the exchange of concerns among entrepreneurs, service providers, procurement officers, and government officials. Individual tickets are \$39.

[View agenda and registration information here>>>](#)

Menomonee Valley Week**September 23rd-30th**

This annual event, hosted by Menomonee Valley Partners, showcases unique and fun ways to experience nature, destinations, and history in the heart of Milwaukee! With the state's largest entertainment destinations, miles of trails, acres of green space, and the Menomonee River. Learn more and see the event schedule [here>>>](#)

Data Day**October 18th | Italian Community Center**

Hosted by Data You Can Use, this annual event shares the work of organizations and is an all-day community event for learning and connecting. It includes pitches from organizations to get support on their own data research project. [Learn more and register here>>>](#)

Member Spotlight



SBA Wisconsin helps small businesses grow and start. Their services include funding programs, counseling, federal contracting certifications, and disaster recovery. They also work to connect organizations and individuals to partner organizations, lenders, and other community groups that help small businesses succeed.

The Wisconsin District Office services the entire state of Wisconsin. They have offices in Milwaukee and Madison.

Learn more about them at www.sba.gov/district/wisconsin

Welcome to these New & Returning Members!

ArtWorks for Milwaukee
Barbara Markoff
Center for Public Skills Training
Harbor District
Jobs That Help
Kathryn Berger
Leo Ries
Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity
Sherman Park Community Association
WI Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP)

Current Members

****Check your email for renewal notices to remain current!***

Nonprofit & Governmental

AARP Wisconsin*
 Acts Housing*
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 City of Milwaukee DCD*
 Community First*
 Congress for the New Urbanism, WI*
 Consumer Credit Counseling Services (CCSS) of Greater Milwaukee
 Data You Can Use*
 Fondy Food Center
 Gateway to Milwaukee
 Greater Milwaukee Committee*
 Greater Milwaukee Association of Realtors*
 Groundwork Milwaukee*
 Guest House of Milwaukee
 Historic King Drive BID*
 Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce
 Independence First*
 Landmark Credit Union
 Latino Chamber of Commerce
 LISC Milwaukee*
 Menomonee Valley Partners
 Milwaukee Development Corp.
 Milwaukee Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)
 Metropolitan Milwaukee
 Fair Housing Council*
 Milwaukee Christian Center
 Milwaukee County Economic Development
 Milwaukee Preservation Alliance*
 Milwaukee Public Library*
 My Choice Wisconsin*
 PRISM Economic Development Corp.
 Riverworks Development Corp*
 SEWRPC
 The Business Council
 TMG Wisconsin
 United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS)*
 United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County
 U.S. Small Business Administration (Wisconsin)
 UW Credit Union
 VIA CDC*
 WHEDA*
 WI LGBT Chamber of Commerce
 WI Partnership for Housing Development*
 WI Veterans Chamber of Commerce
 WWBIC*
 YWCA Southeast Wisconsin*

Small Businesses

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 Center of Care LLC
 Columbia Savings & Loan Association
 Community Charge PGH
 Community Development Management Partnerships
 Community Insurance Information Center*
 Contexture*
 Diverse Dining
 GoodFlow Enterprises

Goyke & Associates
HomeWorks Bronzeville
Lloyd Consulting, Inc.
Midwest Executive Realty*
P3 Development Group

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AT&T Wisconsin*
BMO Harris Bank
CIBC Bank
First Federal Bank
Greater Milwaukee Association of REALTORS
iCare/Humana*
Johnson Financial Group
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Mueller Communications*
Old National Bank*
PNC Bank*
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This newsletter is sent to UEDA's network and features links to articles, upcoming events and activities of interest.

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