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Construction Season: Surviving the Mayhem



What is in place to help small businesses stay afloat during construction season when transportation/ infrastructure upgrades bring needed improvement to areas that have suffered from disinvestment? Join your colleagues to hear from Milwaukee Dept. of City Development, VIA CDC, and lending institutions in a conversation designed to develop a pilot program to provide operating grants to impacted

businesses. Refreshments and networking time included.

Questions, email debbie@uedawi.org

Thank you Associated Bank, We Energies, JPMorgan Chase, and US Bank for sponsoring our Emerging Topics Series!

Register

The 2024 Annual Reports for both Bank On Greater Milwaukee and Take Root Milwaukee are available! Check out some of their accomplishments:

- **Bank On Greater Milwaukee** distributed 7,000 Smart Money Guides, launched a new website, and coalition members volunteered over 670 hours to help increase banking access. [View the full report.](#)
- **Take Root Milwaukee** members helped to create 1000 new homeowners, get over 790 individuals post-purchase education, and disperse over \$5.5 million in home repair dollars. [View the full report.](#)

Save the Date! Our **Annual Community Gathering** will be Tuesday, **September 9** from 4:30- 6:30 PM at Dandy in Washington Heights. Hear about what we have accomplished over the last year, present our Outstanding Community Partner and Extraordinary Volunteer Awards, and say farewell to our outgoing board members. Hope to see you there! Click [here to register](#).

UEDA Member Highlights

Congratulations to the [Harambe Homeownership Initiative](#)! Led by **Community Development Alliance**, for their win as **Nonprofit Collaboration of the Year** in the [BizTimes Milwaukee Nonprofit Excellence Awards](#).

Congratulations to [Mueller Communications](#)! For their win as **In-Kind Supporter** in the [BizTimes Milwaukee Nonprofit Excellence Awards](#).

How to learn about your neighborhood with [Data You Can Use Website](#). If you want to learn about your neighborhood's poverty rates or household size, don't worry – you can find all that information and more on the Data You Can Use website. [Read about it here.](#)

LISC Milwaukee turns 30 as they prep for the 26th MANDI awards! Vote between August 3-14 for the Wells Fargo People's Choice award for 3 organizations to win \$1,000. [Read more here.](#)

UCC's Latino Geriatric Center Memory Clinic (Wisconsin's only bilingual memory clinic) is partnering with the University of Wisconsin's School of Medicine and Public Health for a new elective course aimed at boosting doctor training to help with dementia in Latino

Member Spotlight

July 2025



Rooted & Rising

is committed to listening to and elevating the voices of their neighbors, serving with humility and compassion, and working with partners to build a more stable, equitable and prosperous community for all Washington Park residents.

Recognized as a **finalist for Large Nonprofits Organization of the Year** in the [BizTimes Milwaukee Nonprofit Excellence Awards!](#)

Welcome to these New & Returning Members!

communities. [Read more here.](#)

Milwaukee Community Land Trust rehabilitates five affordable homes as part of city initiative. In partnership working to create affordable homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income families, gathered to celebrate the achievement on Monday morning. [Learn more here.](#)

Upcoming Tabling/Outreach Opportunities Southside Organizing Center (SOC) Safetyfest: Saturday, August 9 | 11am to 2pm. Neighbors are provided with information, resources, and activities to promote safety, including crime, fire, public health, and the environment. [Register for a booth here!](#)

VIA CDC Silver City Fest
Saturday, September 6 | Noon to 5pm. **Register to be a vendor** and share information, crafts, food, products and more at this annual neighborhood festival. [Learn more here.](#)

Menomonee Valley Partners
Valley Week showcases some ways to experience the nature, destinations, and The Valley's fascinating history right in the heart of Milwaukee. **Booths needed for businesses and organizations** on Thursday, Sept 25th 4-6PM for a Job Fair! [Check out the week-long activities](#)

Member & Partner Job Openings

Find a listing of current job openings [HERE](#).
There are many opportunities in community development and local government so be sure to take a look! Contact sehiry@uedawi.org if you are a member and have an opening to add.

And, be sure to check out the **Jobs That Help [website](#)** to find or list a nonprofit job opportunities!

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Act Now: Protect Supportive Housing in the FY26 Budget. CSH urges organizations to sign on to a national letter calling on Congress to **fully fund supportive housing in the FY26 federal budget.** Proposed cuts and restrictions across HUD, Treasury, DOJ, and HHS threaten the stability and health outcomes of vulnerable populations. [Tell Congress to Fund Supportive Housing in the FY26 Budget](#)

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Current Members

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

Nonprofit & Governmental

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City of Milwaukee DCD
Community Advocates
Community Development Alliance
Community First
Consumer Credit Counseling Services
Data You Can Use
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Landmark Credit Union
Latino Chamber of Commerce
LISC Milwaukee
Menomonee Valley Partners
Metropolitan Milw Fair Housing Council
Milwaukee Christian Center*
Milwaukee Community Land Trust
Milwaukee County Economic Development
Milwaukee County Transit System
Milwaukee Development Corp.
Milwaukee Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)
Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity
Milwaukee Public Library
My Choice Wisconsin
Near West Side Partners

Read Enterprise's full breakdown of the House bill and what's at stake for affordable housing:

The House Appropriations Committee's FY26 THUD bill includes harmful cuts and program eliminations, despite rejecting some of the more drastic changes proposed in the President's budget. [Read the full breakdown here.](#) The Senate Committee on Appropriations is working on their markup now. It's a good time to call your representatives and share your support for critical housing funding programs!

The City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works is developing its first **citywide Transportation and Mobility Plan**, a comprehensive approach to guide how we design, operate, maintain, and invest in our streets to benefit communities. Learn more and get updates on the project on [Engage Milwaukee](#). If you or your organization want to get involved, [fill out this survey](#) to share your interest.

Data Day 2025, Save the Date for October 15th! Data Day is an annual event, hosted by Data You Can Use. In 2025, Data Day: The Wealth of Data will explore how data can be harnessed to expose and understand persistent racial disparities in wealth and prosperity. [Learn more about Data Day 2025!](#)

Small Business & Nonprofits

A new **Federal Reserve** report highlights findings from a survey of 143 small business resource organizations, **revealing growing challenges for both small businesses and the groups that support them.** We encourage you to [read the full report](#) to better understand the shifting landscape.

AI Can't be ignored: Opportunities for Nonprofits - While a few nonprofits are engaging with AI, many remain stuck. Not from lack of interest, but because of chronic underinvestment in technology. [This article](#) explores why this is beneficial and offers an actionable path.

Public Service Loan Forgiveness

If you work for a nonprofit or government agency and have federal student loan debt, **you may qualify for loan forgiveness** under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) program. **Learn more about eligibility and recent proposed changes to the program** in [NCN's public comments to the Department of Education](#).

Northwest Side CDC
Prime Financial Credit Union
Revitalize Milwaukee
Riverworks Development Corp.
Rooted & Rising-Washington Park
Safe & Sound
SecureFutures
Self-Help Credit Union
Sherman Park Community Assoc.
Sojourner Family Peace Center
Southeastern Wisconsin Regional
Planning Commission
Southside Organizing Center
The Business Council (TBC)
The Difference Principle, Inc.
The Gateway to Milwaukee
TMG Wisconsin
United Community Center
United Way of Greater Milwaukee &
Waukesha County
UW Credit Union
VIA CDC
WI Economic Development Association
WI Economic Development Corp.
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WI Veterans Chamber of Commerce
Wisconsin Partnership for Housing
Development
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Small Businesses

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Homeworks Bronzeville LLC
Jobs That Help
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Mueller Communications
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Corporations & Funders

Associated Bank, NA
Bank Five Nine
BMO Bank
CIBC
Erie Insurance - WI
First Federal Bank
Johnson Financial Group
JPMorganChase
Mortgage Guaranty Ins. Corp.
Old National Bank
U.S. Bank
Zilber Family Foundation

Upcoming Events

Near West Side Financial Literacy Workshop

August 9 | 9-12 PM | 801 N 27th St

Using Credit Cards + Building Your Financial Future. Master credit card management and build long-term financial stability. [Register Here!](#)

Safety Fest: Southside Organizing Center

Saturday, August 9 | 11am to 2pm.

Neighbors are provided with information, resources, and activities to promote safety, including crime, fire, public health, and the environment. [Follow them on Facebook for more event information!](#)

TBC 27th Annual Strategic Partnership

Luncheon Thursday August 21 |

11:30am-1:30pm | Italian Community Center, Milwaukee

Join The Business Council and speaker Roland S. Martin, founder of Black Star Network for this year's theme "Navigating Supplier Diversity."

[Event & ticket information here](#)

Individual Members

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