# BUSINESS PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

Available in Scott County

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### **Programs and Resources**

### Programs

- First Stop Shop
- Economic Gardening
- Open to Business
- Business Accelerator
- FAST-TRACK Competition
- Resources/Training
  - Workforce Center (Shakopee)
  - DemographicsNOW: Business & People
  - South Metro SCORE
  - Training Sessions
  - Other Items of Interest

## PROGRAMS

## First Stop Shop (FSS)



- The FSS is a department within the Scott County Community Development Agency, created to assist the cities and townships of Scott County with economic development
- Services to entrepreneurs/business owners include:
  - Available Building and Site Information
  - Open to Business Program
  - Business Accelerator Program
  - FAST-TRACK Competition
  - Training Sessions
  - Resource Guidance



## **Economic Gardening Program**

- Second Stage Growth Businesses
  - For profit, privately held company
  - 10 99 full-time employees
  - \$1M \$50M annual revenue or working capital
  - Demonstrated growth during two of past 5 years
  - Provide products or services beyond the local area to regional, national, or global markets.
- 2017-2018 Program
  - October 2017 June 2018
  - CEO Roundtable discussion monthly
  - 50 hours from a dedicated research team
  - Optional monthly informational forums
  - FREE!! Program costs covered by Scott County



### **Open to Business Program**



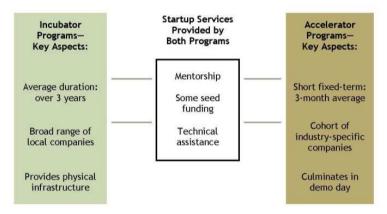
- Open to Business provides one-on-one business counseling and access to financing to Scott County residents and businesses.
- Assistance in the following areas:

<ul> <li>Financial management</li> <li>Bookkeeping set-up and training</li> <li>Loan packaging</li> <li>Business plan assistance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Marketing assistance</li> <li>Strategic planning</li> <li>Business regulations</li> <li>Professional referrals</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Real estate analysis</li> </ul>	

- John Endris is the Scott County Business Advisor
- Confidential and FREE!! Costs all covered by Scott County CDA

### **Business Incubator/Accelerator Program**

- Technology Village (TV) Virtual Program
  - \$50/month access to shared office space and TV Programs including Roundtables, Mentorship and Educational Programs
  - Currently three businesses
- County-wide expansion feasibility
  - Prior Lake currently 100% occupied
  - Savage
  - Shakopee
  - Others?
- Next step Business Plan for the County-wide program
  - Board make-up
  - Administration FSS/each community



### **FAST-TRACK Business Competition**

- Live event: Thursday, Oct. 26, 2017 at 6:00 PM in Savage
- 10 Applicants from five Scott County cities
- Professional Service Prize Package Valued at \$15,000





**Representative Bob Vogel** 

Mayor Kirt Briggs



**Charles Shannon** 

## **RESOURCES & TRAINING**

### Workforce Center

- Shakopee
  - MinnesotaWorks.net
    - 76 listings within 5 miles 55372 posted in the last 30 days
  - Weekly Scott County Hiring Events
    - Every Thursday 10 AM 2 PM
  - Advertise your job/career fair

### **HIRING EVENT**

#### Scott County Workforce Center

Thursday, September 21, 2017 10:00 - Noon Resource Room

#### Don't miss out on this opportunity to meet directly with employers!

Behavioral Staffing (Bloomington) - Full-time & Part-time Teacher Aides, Full-time Specialist Education Teacher, Donor Advocate, Caregiver 2nd Shift & Full-time Direct Support Staff.

Hy-Vee (Shakopee) - Full-time & Part-time positions available! Hiring for Full-time Frozen Manager, Cheese Specialist, liftchen Manager, Coffee Shop Manager, Fioral Designer, Assistant Manager & Part-time Dishwacher, Checker, Health Market Clerk, Wine & Spirits Clerk, Service Meas Clerk & Produce Clerk.

Jimmy John's (Shakopee) - Sandwich Delivery Drivers & Instore Crew Members.

Legendary Baking (Chaska) - 2nd Shift Piant Superintendent, Batching — Mining, Data Entry/Confirmation, Food Production Manager (2nd Shift), Forkift Operator 2nd Shift, Maintenance Manager, Maintenance Mechanic, Production/Packaging, Production/Packing Lead, Qualify Assurance Manager & Sanitation Technician L

My Brothers Keeper (Shakopee) - Direct Support Staffing (Community Residential Home Setting)

New Horizon Academy (Metro wide) - Teachers, Teachers Assistants & Teachers Aides.

Positive Connections (Chaska) - Part-time Bus Drivers at \$18.00 an hour.

Randstad, USA (Bloomington) - Material Handlers/Fork Lift Drivers at \$15.00 an hour (Eagan) & Assemblers at \$15.00 an hour (Eden Prairie).

Sam's Club (Shakopee) - Overnight Stock, Maintenance, Meat/Deli, Café & Gas Station.

The Davis Companies (Chanhassen) - Medical Assembler, IT Support Technician, Quality Inspector, Maintenance Mechanic & Security IT Project Engineer.

Waste Management (Burnsville) - CDL Drivers & Diesel Technicians.



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### DemographicsNOW: Business & People

- Detailed data on U.S. households, consumers and businesses that can help in job searching, starting a business, finding people, marketing and more.
  - Contact lists
  - Consumer expenditure data
  - Competitor Identification
  - ... and more!

DemographicsNow: Business & People



- Offered FREE through the Scott County Library System
  - Residents just use your Scott County library card for access
  - Scott County Businesses pick up a special business access card

http://www.scottlib.org/789/Business-Investing

### South Metro SCORE

- Provides business counseling and workshops to help entrepreneurs and small businesses evaluate and prepare plans, stabilize, grow, innovate, and succeed.
- Free and confidential small business counseling
- Workshops in local area libraries and other locations
  - Class 1: Startup Basics Nov. 8 from 6:30-8:30 in Prior Lake
  - Class 2: Business Concepts Nov. 15 from 6:30-8:30 in Prior Lake
  - Class 3: Marketing Plan Nov. 29 from 6:30-8:30 in Prior Lake
  - Class 4: Financial Projections and Funding Sources Dec. 6 from 6:30-8:30 in Prior Lake
    - \$30 each or all four for \$99



### South Metro

https://southmetro.score.org/

### **Past Training Sessions**

Small Business Taxes & Accounting: March, 2017



Business Finance: May, 2017





The Power of Smart Marketing: Sept. 19, 2017



### **Upcoming Training Sessions**

• Open to Business – Social Media Sessions



• Creating A Corporate Culture: February 20, 2018



John McHugh, Director of Corporate Communications Kwik Trip, Inc.

### Leadership Development and Training at Kwik Trip

Regardless of your role, what are people, customers and visitors looking for in you? What is the workplace culture you have created with your team that leads to success? Creating a mission driven culture with compassion and trust turns satisfied customers into loyal customers. Their loyalty means they will give you positive word-of-mouth advertising that can't be beat. In addition, if the work we do is tied into a purpose beyond profits our job satisfaction increases substantially.

Join John McHugh as he explores the role you play in your organization's success and how you can find the key people to help you achieve that greatness. His examples and stories are ones that you won't forget.

### Other Items of Interest

- Twin Cities Startup Week Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>
   <u>http://twincitiesstartupweek.com/</u>
- DEED Startup Open House Tuesday, Oct. 10 from 10 am – 2 pm @ First National Bank Building 332 Minnesota Street, St. Paul <u>https://twincitiesstartupweek2017.sched.com/event/C5Na</u>
- MN Manufacturer's Week



National Small Business Week





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