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JAXUSA PARTNERSHIP LUNCHEON



On Friday, June 5th at 11:30 am the JSEB Program sent eight (8) of our small business owners to the JAXUSA Luncheon with guest speaker, Governor Rick Scott. Gov. Scott spoke about how to increase the job growth in our city and across the State of Florida. This was a wonderful opportunity that was afforded to our small businesses on behalf of the JSEB program, in partnership with the Jax Chamber of Commerce, in order to assist in networking & growth opportunities for ALL Jacksonville's Small Businesses!

OSHA FORKLIFT SAFETY

On the evening of Tuesday, June 16th OSHA representative Eddie Kyles taught a course on Forklift Safety to our group of JSEBs. With a forklift accident occurring the following day we were all reminded of how important this information is. We look forward to seeing you all at the next OSHA event!



OSHA FL DRIVER SAFETY

Our second OSHA workshop of the month was held on Tuesday, June 23rd on the topic of Florida driver's safety. Mr. Kyles taught us everything from having proper treads on your tires to how to detect & fix minor issues on your personal & work vehicles in order to keep yourself & other drivers safe. Wonderful information!

DOING BUSINESS WITH THE US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS WORKSHOP

Ms. Beth Myers, Deputy of the Small Business Program of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was generous enough to come and speak with a large group of JSEBs on the morning of June 23rd at the Beaver Street Enterprise Center. She spoke about how to begin working with the Army Corps, what kinds of businesses and work the Corps typically contracts out and the processes that a business would go through once obtaining a contract with the Army Corps of Engineers. This workshop saw a total of 17 businesses in attendance! Thank you Ms. Myers!!





SBA'S PROGRAM & SERVICES WORKSHOP

On the evening of June 9th, Thaddeus Hammond of the SBA spoke to another group of interested JSEBs about the programs and services that the SBA has to offer. He answered questions on a variety of topics within the SBA's scope of services. Thaddeus will be hosting two more workshops next month on Access to Capital & Federal Business Opportunities.



JSEB OF THE MONTH:

Congratulations to **Acuity Design Group, LLC**. On being this month's JSEB of the Month!! **Ms. Cantrece Jones**, owner of ADG, has grown her company in leaps and bounds! ADG provides design, marketing communication & public involvement services for the architecture, engineering, planning & transportation sectors. The ADG team is committed to developing solutions that help promote their client's products and/or services. With over **16** years of experience in her field, Cantrece Jones & the ADG team, are who you need to call for all of your professional service & solution needs! <http://www.adgmark.com/index.html>

BONDING ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP

Ms. Pat Wallace & her associates gave a workshop on Bonding Assistance on Thursday, June 18th at the Beaver Street Enterprise Center. She will continue hosting these workshops for any JSEB interested in obtaining or discussing bonding assistance.

PREPARING FOR YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE WORKSHOP

On the afternoon of Friday, June 5th representatives from Principal Financial Group taught a small group of JSEBs about how to prepare yourself, your loved ones & your business for when you retire. From getting your finances in line, to setting up a succession plan for your company, the Principal representatives covered every aspect of what will happen if you, as a business owner, can no longer work for your business. The information provided as these workshops are absolutely **ESSENTIAL** for your business and personal life. We are working to continue providing these workshops for you in the future.

OSHA HAZCOM IN THE WORKPLACE

The last OSHA workshop during the month of June was our OSHA Hazcom workshop. This workshop focused on communicating to your team the safety procedures when dealing with hazardous chemicals in the workplace. Eddie went over the proper procedures for handling & storing hazardous chemicals as well as what to do if any of the chemicals are spilled or if an employee comes into contact with them.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * **July 3rd - OFFICE CLOSED**
- * **July 14th - OSHA Rights Workshop**
- * **July 16th - Access to Capital & Federal Biz Opportunities: SBA Workshop**
- * **July 21st - Obtaining & Building Business Credit: BB&T Workshop**
- * **July 23rd - Mid-Year Financial Check-Up Workshop**
- * **July 28th - OSHA Respiratory Protection Workshop**
- * **July 28th - Understanding Taxes & IRS Compliance: FCHCC Workshop**
- * **July 30th - Access to Capital & Federal Biz Opportunities: SBA Workshop**

MONTHLY REPORT

\$ Amount Awarded to JSEBs in June:

\$1,462,205

of Projects Awarded in

June:

Participation: 1

Set-Aside: 4

Encouragement: 4

Total Amount Awarded to JSEBs Since 10/01/14:

\$16,476,136

of New Section 3 Certified Vendors:

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