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Happy fall festive season  
from your friends at BBA



## Learn, Connect, and Be Inspired at our October 11 Entrepreneur Expo



Join us at Seattle Central Library on October 11 for a **discussion with small business champions from Seattle and Minneapolis** about building a more inclusive urban economy. Speakers from each city will share strategies on adapting to a changing marketplace and thriving in a digital world. Our two metro areas — with similar sizes, demographics, and economic conditions — have much to learn from each other as our small businesses navigate similar challenges. This event coincides with Minneapolis' annual "Entrepreneur Expo," providing an opportunity to level up your business and connect with other small business owners, lenders, advocates, and tech experts.

- 1:30pm-2pm: welcome & event opening
- 2pm - 4pm: panel discussions
- 4pm - 6pm: networking & resource fair

If you can't make it in-person, you can join the panel discussions via Zoom or **watch the livestream**. See you there!

Register for October 11 Event

## Beacon Hill Business Owners Share Challenges with Seattle OED Team



Thanks to Seattle Office of Economic Development Director Markham McIntyre and the OED team for joining us in Beacon Hill on a rainy September 25 to hear from the neighborhood's business owners. Beacon Hill entrepreneurs shared concerns related to safety & security for their patrons, workers, and family members; the high cost of doing business; understanding regulatory and permitting requirements; and getting timely answers and approvals while building out a commercial space. We're looking forward to working with OED to make progress on these issues for Beacon Hill businesses during the next year.

## Beacon Hill Bucks - Find Your New Favorite Spot, On Us!



If you live in an apartment building by the Beacon Hill light rail station, you've probably seen our "Beacon Hill Bucks" coupons. These Bucks can be redeemed for \$10 off your meal at one of sixteen amazing local restaurants. Hurry to redeem your Bucks, because they expire on November 30! If you haven't received yours yet, please **get in touch with us**.

## A Heartfelt Thank-You for 40 Years of MacPherson's Fruit & Produce



Like so many neighbors, we were heartbroken to learn of the closure of our beloved MacPherson's Fruit & Produce, which has served Beacon Hill with healthy, affordable, local food for 40 years. What an incredible run, so full of great memories! We especially loved the fresh local honey that we could find there while shopping for seasonal fruits and veggies. We wish Greg and the wonderful team of MacPherson's employees all the best in their next chapter. We will continue working to support local businesses that provide vital services to our community and livelihoods for local families.

## Expanded Eligibility for Storefront Repair Fund



If your business has experienced storefront damage since March 1, 2020 - including broken doors, locks, fences, gates, signs, and broken or etched windows - you may be eligible for \$2,000 from the Storefront Repair Fund. The City of Seattle recently expanded the eligibility for these grants. We encourage you to apply, and to reach out if you need help completing your application.

[Storefront Repair Fund Website](#)

## Get Expert Help Planning Your Next Moves on a Commercial Space

Did you know that eligible Seattle small businesses can receive up to 10 hours of free consultant support on issues related to your commercial space? The Seattle Office of Economic Development's Commercial Space program can help your business in advocacy with landlords and/or general contractors; development budget preparation; management of the buildout process; and space planning and design. Apply today and let us know if you have any questions.

[Apply for the Commercial Space program](#)

## Apply Today for a BBA Mini-Grant!



Are you a small business owner on Beacon Hill in need of some assistance to take your business to the next level? Are you a community member or group looking for support for a project / event that promotes local businesses and/or benefits the Beacon Hill commercial district?

You can apply today for up to \$1,000 in grant funding from BBA. Examples of funded applications include beautification projects, storefront repair, and events centered in our Beacon Hill business node.

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