

Championing Frederick as a Premier Entrepreneurial Community

Frederick Entrepreneur Support Network



THE FREDERICK ENTREPRENEUR SUPPORT NETWORK (ESN) is a collaboration among the agencies and non-profits that provide support to entrepreneurs and small business owners in Frederick County. The ESN is the front door to a wealth of support services and resources, including expert business counseling, advocacy, information, and exclusive funding programs. Provided here is a directory of the network's current members. The network continues to grow - an up-to-date version of this directory can always be found at the ESN website - www.FrederickESN.org.

Frederick ESN Membership Directory

AFCEA International

www.afceafrederick.org

Brings government, industry and, academia together with networking and event forums. The Frederick Chapter of AFCEA is the only biotechnology and biodefense focused chapter in the world, working to support the tenants and contractors at Ft. Detrick.

Brunswick Main Street, Inc.

13 West Potomac Street, Brunswick, MD 21716

301-834-5591 • www.brunswickmainstreet.org

Uses information, counseling, and advocacy to support the merchants, preserve the historic character, and enhance the image of downtown Brunswick.

Brunswick, Maryland Economic Development Commission

1 West Potomac Street, Brunswick, MD 21716

301-834-7500 (messages) • 240-626-3488 (chairperson)

Answers questions about business and business requirements and directs business owners to other helpful resources.

City of Frederick Department of Economic Development

101 North Court Street, Frederick, MD 21701

301-600-6360 • www.BusinessinFrederick.com

Serves as an advocate and ombudsman for the business community.

DED supports entrepreneurs and small businesses through pre-start assistance and business counseling, data and research services, educational seminars, as well as assistance in the site selection, development review and permitting processes.



Downtown Frederick Partnership

22 Sout Market Street, Suite 3, Frederick, MD 21701

301-698-8118 • mainstreet@downtownfrederick.org

Enhances, promotes, and preserves the vitality of Downtown Frederick with information, advocacy, and counseling.

Entrepreneur Council of Frederick County

www.EntrepreneurCouncil.com

Presents annual Entrepreneur of the Year Awards, organizes CEO roundtables, presents venture funding forums, and manages a scholarship fund for promising future entrepreneurs.

Ft. Detrick Business Development Office (FDBDO)

201 Thomas Johnson Drive, #208, Frederick, MD 21702

301-620-7071 • www.FDBDO.com

Provides opportunities, contacts, training, advice and counsel to those enterprises - small, large, diverse - seeking to do business with the US Army and its 40+ mission partners at Fort Detrick.

Frederick Community College

7932 Opposumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702

301-846-2682 • www.Frederick.edu

Offers a number of credit and non-credit courses for business owners and entrepreneurs starting new businesses.

Frederick County Chamber of Commerce

8420-B Gas House Pike, Frederick, MD 21701

301.662.4164 • www.frederickchamber.org

Provides members with advocacy, education, networking opportunities, and other special programs and resources.

Frederick County Office of Economic Development (OED)

5340A Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD 21703

301-600-1058 • www.DiscoverFrederickMD.com

Supports and fosters the growth of existing Frederick County businesses, and attracts new businesses that bring career opportunities to County residents, recognizing small businesses as the backbone of our economy.

Frederick County Public Libraries' Business Resource Ctr

110 East Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21701

301-600-1630 • www.fcpl.org/information/brc/

Provides businesspersons, small businesses, investors, job seekers, students, and others with the information, resources, and referrals to make informed decisions.

Frederick Innovative Technology Center, Inc. (FITCI)

4539 Metropolitan Court, Frederick, MD 21704

301-694-2999 • www.FITCI.org

Frederick County's technology business incubator provides its clients with offices, laboratories, business assistance programs and networking opportunities to accelerate their development.

Hood College

401 Rosemont Ave., Frederick, MD 21701

301-663-3131 • www.Hood.edu

Provides educational resources, information, research services, and other partnerships with local businesses and business people.

MD Department of Business & Economic Development

Frederick Office: 5340A Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD 21703

301-600-6361 • www.ChooseMaryland.com

Supports entrepreneurs with counseling, advocacy, information, funding, and many other services and resources.

Maryland Technology Development Corporation, Inc.

5565 Sterrett Place, Suite 214, Columbia MD 21044

1-800-305-5556 • MarylandTEDCO.org

Provides funding, information, training, networking, and guidance to new and growing technology companies.

Mt. Airy Main Street Association

P.O. Box 788, Mount Airy, MD 21771

www.mountairymainstreet.org

Establishes downtown Mt. Airy as a gathering place and center of community life, promoting commerce for locally owned and operated businesses, promoting cultural events for residents and visitors, and creating a small town atmosphere, with modern amenities, that is easily accessible to those traveling by car and on foot.

Mount St. Mary's University

16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

301-447-6122 • www.msmary.edu

Provides educational resources, information, research services, and other partnerships with local businesses and business people.

Nat'l Cancer Inst.-Frederick, Technology Transfer Center

Fairview Ctr., 1003 West 7th St., Suite 500, Frederick, MD 21701

301-846-5465 • <http://ttc.nci.nih.gov>

Helps industry and academia to interact and partner with National Institutes of Health laboratories and scientists.

SCORE

240-215-4757 • www.SCOREFrederick.org

Provides free confidential business counseling and low-cost seminars. Working and retired executives and business owners donate time and expertise as business counselors.

Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

5340A Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD 21703

301-600-1967 • www.DiscoverFrederickMD.com/SBDC

Provides educational seminars and workshops, free confidential business counseling, and maximizes the use of additional available business support resources.

USAMRMC Office of Research and Technology Applications

521 Fraim Street, Fort Detrick, MD 21702-5012

301-619-6664 • <https://technologytransfer.detrick.army.mil/>

Coordinates all intellectual property licensing on behalf of all United States Army Medical Research & Materiel Command's subordinate laboratories from the federal sector to nonfederal parties.

USAMRMC Office of Small Business Programs

301-619-2471 • <http://www.mrmc.smallbusopps.army.mil/>

Helps to ensure maximum participation in prime and subcontracting with United States Army Medical Research & Materiel Command by various small business concerns such as: Small Disadvantaged Business, SBA 8(a) certified Small Business, Women-Owned Small Business, HUB Zone Business, and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business.

Women's Business Network

50 Carroll Creek Way Suite 335, Frederick MD 21701

301-631-1207 • www.wbnfrederick.org

Uses networking activities and business education through interactive workshops to inform, encourage, and support women in their quest to grow their businesses.

Visit ESN on the Web

The Frederick Entrepreneur Support Network website at www.FrederickESN.org provides a listing of all ESN members, links to their websites, and a guide to the support services and resources they provide. You'll also find downloadable resources like business plan templates and resource guides for government contracting as well as web-based resources including a guide to hiring your first employee and links for registration, licensing, and taxes for new businesses.

