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## UEDA Community News

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Join us for our last **Emerging Topics in Economic Development series** event of 2024. Along with partners **Washington Park Media Center**, **Create Wisconsin**, **Rural Urban FLOW**, and **Wisconsin Economic Development Corp.**, we will showcase efforts to create a roadmap that supports Wisconsin's Creative Industries. Through four conversation sets, you will learn from a diverse group of people about the current landscape, rural-urban connections, and how to support and grow creative businesses into 2025 and beyond.

**Rural Urban FLOW:  
Growing Creative  
Industries in Wisconsin**  
December 3 | 4:30 PM | Virtual

**Register**

Our **City of Milwaukee 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan** work is entering the next phase. We completed our survey and focus groups by talking with City NSP organizers who have helped us tremendously with survey collection and community outreach. We went over the preliminary survey results and collected feedback on the process and what they learned from talking with residents. **Thank you all for work!**

We also learned about **Vision Zero** and Milwaukee's goal to end traffic fatalities by 2037. Both [the County](#) and [the City](#) have committed to this vision, which focuses on making infrastructure changes and doing education campaigns to reduce reckless driving and speeding. Check out the City of Milwaukee's interactive maps for [road projects](#) as well as [traffic violence](#).

As we approach 2024's close, we know that you are likely looking at your **end-of-year giving**, for your families and for your organizations. Whether you have joined the push for Giving First, celebrate Giving Tuesday, or get in the spirit of giving in December, **we hope you consider becoming new member of UEDA or renewing your membership**. Many of our nonprofit members are also in their final fundraising cycle for 2024 and would appreciate your consideration. [Learn more about UEDA membership and see our list of members on our website.](#)

## UEDA Member Highlights

**Rooted & Rising** was featured by TMJ4. They brought the community together to **build a strategic plan** for the Washington Park neighborhood. [Learn more here.](#)

Holidays are a time ripe with scammers. **WI DATCP** reminds us what scams to watch out for this next month. [Read their tips here.](#)

Remember to shop small this holiday season! **WEDC** and **Governor Evers** are celebrating "**Shop Small Season**" November 30 through December 31. [Read about it here.](#)

**Six SecureFutures Money Coach** alumni share their experiences. Money Coach empowers teens through mentorship to build strong money management habits. [Read their takeaways here.](#)

**The Zilber Family Foundation** announces that **The Bridge Project** is opening applications for **22 new mothers**. After city funds guaranteed a third year of payouts for current beneficiaries, an anonymous donor is providing \$450,000 in additional funding. [Learn more here.](#)

## 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 [adam@uedawi.org](mailto:adam@uedawi.org) if you are a member and have an opening you would like added.

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

## UEDA Community

Celebrate **Small Business Saturday** at the **Milwaukee Winter Farmers Market**. Their season is just getting underway, so don't miss the chance to check out all vendors this Thanksgiving weekend. [Read more here.](#)

**Both Milwaukee County and the City of Milwaukee** have **passed their 2025 budgets**. [The County passed with no vetoes](#), while the [Common Council overrode](#)

## Member Spotlight



The mission of the **City of Milwaukee Department of City Development (DCD)** is to improve the quality of life in Milwaukee by guiding and promoting development that creates jobs, builds wealth and strengthens the urban environment, and respects equity, economy and ecology.

Spearheading the continued work on **Growing MKE**, they have two more Public Meetings in December! [Learn more about Growing MKE here.](#)

## Welcome to these New & Returning Members!

Acts Housing  
Cinnaire  
City of Milwaukee DCD  
Community First  
Dan Brophy  
Data You Can Use  
Derrick Johnson  
The Difference Principle, Inc.  
Dolomite Marketing  
Ezekiel Community Dev Corp.  
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Independence First  
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Mark Dabney  
Menomonee Valley Partners  
Milwaukee Community Land Trust  
Milwaukee Development Corp.  
Mueller Communications  
Narvarte Development  
Northwest Side CDC  
Old National Bank  
Prime Financial Credit Union  
Riverworks Development Corp.  
Rooted & Rising-Washington Park  
SecureFutures

[Mayor Johnson's vetoes.](#)

**The Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee has finalized the hiring of private party to manage Section 8.** The Florida-based company manages similar programs all over the country.

[Learn more here.](#)

**The Homes MKE program is working to increase homeownership, close the racial homeownership gap, and reinvigorate neighborhoods.** WPR is taking a look at the impact the federally-funded program is having in Milwaukee.

[Read about it here.](#)

**The Social Development Commission is reopening.** After appointing a new board chair and interim CEO, SDC is planning to reboot some key programs.

[Learn more here.](#)

**NCRC released a new report on the racial wealth gap from 1992 to 2022.** The racial wealth gap between median Black and White households has hardly changed in this time.

[Read the report here.](#)

## Small Business & Nonprofits

**Proposals are currently open for Milwaukee Public Library's Entrepreneur-in-Residence.** This six-to-eight month residency will involve leading workshops and weekly office hours. Proposals are due by **December 1st.**

[Learn more here.](#)

**WWBIC Annual Celebration & Small Business Market** will be held **Tuesday, December 3rd** at the Brookfield Conference Center. "Generations of Quality" will feature Marc and Elana Schulman of Eli's Cheesecake. The market opens at 10:30am, with the luncheon at noon.

[Event information & tickets here.](#)

**WEDC will host MARKETPLACE Wisconsin**, the Governor's Conference on Diverse Business Development December 10-12 at the Baird Center in Milwaukee. This annual event provides education & network opportunities with government and private sector buyers.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

The **Milwaukee Public Library** hosts monthly virtual sessions on how to **start or scale up a small business.** The next one will be on **December 12th at 4:30pm.**

[Learn more and register here.](#)

Sherman Park Community Assoc.  
United Way of Greater Milwaukee  
& Waukesha County  
WI Economic Development Corp.  
WI Economic Development  
Association (WEDA)

## Current Members

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

### **Nonprofit & Governmental**

ArtWorks for Milwaukee\*  
Burleigh Street CDC\*  
CLIMB USA  
Community Advocates  
Community Development Alliance  
Consumer Credit Counseling  
Services of Greater Milwaukee  
Gateway to Milwaukee  
Granville BID  
Greater Milw. Assoc. of Realtors\*  
Helen Bader Institute for Nonprofit  
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Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of  
Commerce  
Landmark Credit Union\*  
Latino Chamber of Commerce  
LISC Milwaukee  
Metropolitan Milwaukee  
Fair Housing Council  
Milwaukee Christian Center  
Milwaukee Economic  
Development Corp (MEDC)  
Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity  
My Choice Wisconsin  
Near West Side Partners  
Revitalize Milwaukee\*  
Safe & Sound\*  
SEWRPC  
Sojourner Family Peace Center  
Southside Organizing Center\*  
TMG Wisconsin  
UW Credit Union  
VIA CDC  
WHEDA  
WI Department of Agriculture,  
Trade & Consumer Protection  
WI LGBT Chamber of Commerce  
WI Partnership for Housing Dev.  
WI Veterans Chamber of  
Commerce  
WWBIC

### **Small Businesses**

Community Charge LLC  
Community Insurance Info Center  
Contexture\*  
GoodFlow Enterprises

## Upcoming Events

### YPEN Holiday Meetup

Dec 12 | 4 - 5:30 PM | Virtual

Join the Young Professionals in Economic Development for an afternoon of fun and networking with the next generation of economic developers.

[Register here.](#)

### Save the Date! WEDA 2025 Governor's Conference on Economic Development

is opening registration soon! Running **February 5-7** in Milwaukee, this 50th Anniversary celebration for WEDA is sure to be an exciting one!

[Learn more here.](#)

### Registration for the 2025 Just Economy

**Conference is now open!** This is the leading national conference for economic and social justice, hosted in Washington, D.C. March 25-27.

[Learn more here.](#)

### Save the Date! The 17th Annual UEDA Carnival Milwaukee will be held Friday, March 7th from

**5:30-8:30 PM.** Join us at The Factory in the Harbor District for this party with a purpose that will bring together 275+ people and feature 24+ locally owned and operated restaurants, caterers, retailers, and performers all demonstrating Milwaukee's economic vitality. Learn more about it at [carnivalmilwaukee.com](http://carnivalmilwaukee.com). To learn about **sponsorship opportunities**, email Debbie Knepke at [debbie@eudawi.org](mailto:debbie@eudawi.org).

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Zilber Family Foundation

### Individual Members

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