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We've reached the end of 2024! Thank you for joining us, partners new and old, for such an exciting year. **Take a look at our [Year In Review](#)**, which shares key outcomes in our Bank On,

Take Root and UEDA membership activities. We did so much in partnership with others!

Our offices are closed December 23-January 1. Happy New Year, and we'll see you in 2025!

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.

Visit carnivalmilwaukee.com. To learn about **sponsorship opportunities**, email Debbie Knepeke at debbie@uedawi.org.

UEDA Member Highlights

International Day of People with Disabilities was this month. **Independence First** staff were featured by TMJ4. [Read about it here.](#)

WI DATCP has some advice for **avoiding scams this holiday season.** [Prepaid gift cards](#) and [charitable donations](#) are both top-of-mind in December, so make sure to partake in both safely.

WWBIC launched a rebrand! The new logo and organizational language will better reflect the ways that WWBIC has grown in the last 25 years. And congratulations on another successful annual luncheon event, which was held earlier this month and drew 1,000 attendees. [Read about it here.](#)

United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County exceeded their **fundraising goal.** Their \$59.7 million earnings are \$2.2 million past their goal. [Learn more here.](#)

SEWRPC is amending the **Natural Areas Plan.** The draft of the amendment is available for public comment **until Jan 10.** [Read the draft and leave a comment here.](#)

SecureFutures is [seeking volunteers for their MoneyCoach program](#) - an incredible opportunity to impact the lives of teens! There are two roles - Group Coaches & One-on-One Coaches. Professional experience in the finance sector is not required, you will be provided with training, materials & support. **The program starts Jan 13** - [view site dates & sign up here.](#)

Member & Partner Job

Member Spotlight



COMMUNITY ADVOCATES
Where Meeting Basic Needs Inspires Hope

Community Advocates' mission is to provide individuals and families with advocacy and services to meet their basic needs so they may live in dignity.

They are this year's recipient of the Milwaukee Rep A *Christmas Carol* Families Program! [Read about it here.](#)

Welcome to these New & Returning Members!

Burleigh Street CDC
CIBC
Dan Adams
George Calaway
First Federal Bank
Carol Maria
Contexture
Revitalize Milwaukee
Southside Organizing Center
VIA CDC

Current Members

*Check your email for renewal notices to remain current!

Nonprofit & Governmental

Acts Housing
ArtWorks for Milwaukee*
Cinnaire
City of Milwaukee CDC

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 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!

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SDC is now open for business. While committed to providing services, they continue to have [technical issues](#), many previous employees [still have not been paid](#).

Willie Hines, Jr., head of HACM, is retiring. After receiving [significant critical feedback from the federal government](#) and residents alike, community members and the mayor are grappling with his legacy. [Read more here.](#)

Berrada has settled in lawsuit from Wisconsin DOJ. After being alleged of several violations including illegal evictions, the owner of over 9,000 rental units will be paying out \$1.7 million. [Learn about it here.](#)

Milwaukee County is making changes in the transitional housing landscape. The are launching a program that will provide more [emergency and transitional housing for those aged 60 and over](#), as well as making strides to [improve the pathway from group homes to independent living](#) for those with mental illness.

Small Business & Nonprofits

UW-Madison Division of Extension making a difference with their Encouraging Financial Conversations course. This course provides those in the helping professions with resources to coach their clients. [Read about it here.](#)

CLIMB USA
Community Advocates
Community Development Alliance
Community First
Consumer Credit Counseling Services
Data You Can Use
Ezekiel Community Dev. Corp.
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Independence First
Lad Lake
Landmark Credit Union*
Latino Chamber of Commerce
LISC Milwaukee
Menomonee Valley Partners
Metropolitan Milwaukee
Fair Housing Council
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Milwaukee Development Corp.
Milwaukee Economic Development Corp.
Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity
My Choice Wisconsin
Near West Side Partners
Northwest Side CDC
Prime Financial Credit Union
Riverworks Development Corp.
Rooted & Rising-Washington Park
Safe & Sound*
SecureFutures
SEWRPC
Sherman Park Community Assoc.
Sojourner Family Peace Center
The Business Council (TBC)
The Difference Principle, Inc.
The Gateway to Milwaukee
TMG Wisconsin
United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County
UW Credit Union
WHEDA
WI Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection
WI Economic Development Association
WI Economic Development Corp.
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
Dolomite Marketing
GoodFlow Enterprises
HomeWorks Bronzeville LLC
Jobs That Help
Lloyd Consulting, Inc.
Mueller Communications

Are you a member of the Nonprofit Learning Lab? They are offering virtual courses in January covering trauma-informed facilitation, the first 90 days of a nonprofit, and more. [Check out the trainings](#) or [become a member](#).

Upcoming Events

Governors Conference on Economic Development

Feb 5-7 | Hyatt Regency, Milwaukee

Kick off WEDA's 50th anniversary celebration! Sessions will feature industry thought leaders and practitioners in strengthening communities and economic development. Early bird registration closes on January 6, after that rates go up by \$50. [Register here.](#)

Early Bird Registration for the 2025

Just Economy Conference is almost over! This is the leading national conference for economic and social justice, hosted in Washington, D.C. March 25-27. Early Bird pricing ends Dec 31st. [Learn more here.](#)

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