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Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor  
Miami-Dade County

Office of Small Business Development

*Celebrating*

**SMALL BUSINESS WEEK 2024**

**ACHIEVING BUSINESS GROWTH**



**PROGRAM**





DANIELLA LEVINE CAVA  
MAYOR  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

April 29, 2024

Greetings!

As Mayor of Miami-Dade County and on behalf of our nearly 3 million residents, it is my pleasure to celebrate National Small Business Week from April 28 to May 4, 2024.

This week, we celebrate the entrepreneurial spirit of our county and the important role of small businesses in driving our economy forward. Miami-Dade truly represents this year's theme of "Achieving Business Growth."

Our economy is driven by small businesses and our community's entrepreneurial spirit. By providing our small businesses with resources, tools, contract opportunities, and trainings through initiatives like our Miami-Dade Small Business Enterprise (SBE) program and Strive305, we are creating a more equitable playing field for all.

We also recognize the importance of innovation and capacity building for our small business community. By fostering a culture of innovation and creativity, we can help small businesses stay ahead of the curve and adapt to changing market trends.

Finally, we are committed to protecting our environment for future generations. It's true that businesses can thrive while also being environmentally responsible, and we encourage our small business owners to adopt sustainable practices whenever possible.

I'm proud to join the Miami-Dade County's Office of Small Business Development and our amazing small business owners in celebrating Small Business Week. Together, we can continue to build a future ready economy that works for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniella Levine Cava".

Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor, Miami-Dade County



OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
DISTRICT 1



THE HONORABLE  
*Oliver Gilbert*

April 29, 2024

Greetings!

As Chairman of the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners, I am pleased to welcome you to Small Business Week 2024. As small business owners, you play a key role in Miami-Dade's success as a world-class community by providing the entrepreneurship that is so vital to helping our economy prosper and create jobs.

My office is committed to ensuring the continued success of small businesses by creating a healthier and more sustainable community. I believe in the power of community collaboration and engagement. Fostering strong partnerships with our local small businesses and organizations is pivotal to the purpose of the Office of Small Business Development and their programs. The theme for Small Business Week 2024 speaks to the core of what this week is about: Achieving Business Growth.

On behalf of the Residents of Miami-Dade County and District 1, I thank you for your hard work and enterprising spirit and extend my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in orange ink, appearing to read "Oliver Gilbert, III".

Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III  
Board of County Commissioners  
Miami-Dade County, District 1



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April 29, 2024

Greetings,

As Chief Administrative Officer for Miami-Dade County, it is my pleasure to join in the celebration of Small Business Week 2024.

The Annual Small Business week activities have been designed to invite the business community to engage with private and public organizations that will enable business growth and development; to access to information that enables them to apply for contracts and other awards; and to learn what resources are available in our community. This week will foster partnership, equity and opportunity amongst your business peers.

During Small Business Week 2024, Miami-Dade County's Office of Small Business Development (SBD) will provide industry-specific workshops that are tailored to the needs of certified firms and local businesses, specifically focused on driving collaboration and fostering success. SBD is charged with supporting our local and small businesses' participation in economic opportunities made available by and within Miami-Dade County. I am proud to say that under Mayor Daniella Levine Cava's leadership, this group has done a fantastic job of creating economic opportunity for our certified firms.

Our economy is stronger because of the efforts of business leaders, such as yourself and those you will meet during this week of incredible opportunity. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to the financial viability of our community.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "C. Edwards", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Carladenise Armbrister Edwards, Ph.D., MS.Ed.  
Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the Mayor

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April 29, 2024

Greetings,

As Director for the Office of Small Business Development (SBD), I want to welcome you to Small Business Week 2024. SBD is dedicated to creating business opportunities, providing technical assistance, and advocating for the inclusion of all businesses to help with the stimulating growth in our economy for all certified firms in our Small Business Enterprise (SBE) programs and other firms located here in Miami-Dade County. This week we come together to honor our small business owners, and their commitment to improve our economy, to help build equity, to further their engagement, while enhancing our community's environmental sustainability.

Miami-Dade County boasts an economic landscape that is as diverse as the public it serves. Through the County's race and gender neutral SBE programs, SBD ensures participation of small business on various County contracts through shelter market, trade set asides and small business utilization goals. Our small business program reinforces the economic pillars of the County where we are engaging and inclusive of our local businesses. Our theme for this year's Small Business Week is "Achieving Business Growth"

On behalf of the Office of Small Business Development, I thank our small business owners and community for their time, effort, and continued pursuit of success. Your commitment is an inspiration to all of us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Hartfield".

Gary T. Hartfield  
Director, Office of Small Business Development



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**EVENT WEEK**

**APRIL 29<sup>th</sup> – MAY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

DoubleTree - Miami Airport Convention Center  
711 NW 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Miami, FL 33126  
Daily Event Start Time: 10 a.m.

**Day 1 / April 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Small Business Week Kick Off Event**

**Day 2 / April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Goods & Services Industry Day**

**Day 3 / May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Architecture & Engineering Industry Day**

**Day 4 / May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Construction Industry Day**

**Day 5 / May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Small Business Awards & Recognition Ceremony**

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**Day 1 / APRIL 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

**KICK OFF EVENT**

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**Director Welcome & Updates**  
**Understanding Artificial Intelligence**  
**Networking**

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**Day 2 / APRIL 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

**GOODS & SERVICES  
INDUSTRY DAY**

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**Expert Panel Discussion**

Miami-Dade Strategic Procurement Department-Pre-Qualification Pools  
Miami-Dade Aviation Department  
Miami-Dade County Public Schools Procurement

**SBE Testimonials Best Practices and Pitfalls**

**Networking**



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**Day 3 / MAY 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am**

**ARCHITECTURE & ENGINEERING  
INDUSTRY DAY**

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**Key Department Panel Discussion**

Miami-Dade Aviation Department, Strategic Procurement Department,  
and Transportation and Public Works Department

**SBE Testimonials Best Practices and Pitfalls**

**Networking**

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**Day 4 / MAY 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10am**

**CONSTRUCTION  
INDUSTRY DAY**

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**Key Capital Department Panel Discussion**

Miami-Dade County PortMiami, Miami-Dade Aviation Department  
and City of Miami

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**Day 5 / MAY 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am**

**SBE AWARDS & RECOGNITION  
CEREMONY**

DoubleTree - Miami Airport Convention Center  
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**Office of Small Business Development  
Welcome & Greetings**

**Presentation of SBE Firm of the Year Award**

Construction / Goods / Services / Architecture & Engineering

**Marsha Jackman Firm of the Year**

**Reception to Follow**

Office of Small Business Development

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

Small Business Enterprise - Goods Firm of the Year

**Azippa Global, LLC.**

Small Business Enterprise - Services Firm of the Year

**Southern Triple O Corp.**

Small Business Enterprise - Architectural & Engineering Firm of the Year

**SDM Consulting Engineers, Inc.**

Small Business Enterprise - Construction Firm of the Year

**RF Environmental Services, Inc.**

Graduated Certified Firm of the Year

**4 Best Business Corp.**

Small Business Enterprise - Newcomer Firm of the Year

**Coco Tree Service Corp.**

The Marsha Jackman Small Business Award

**Azippa Global, LLC.**

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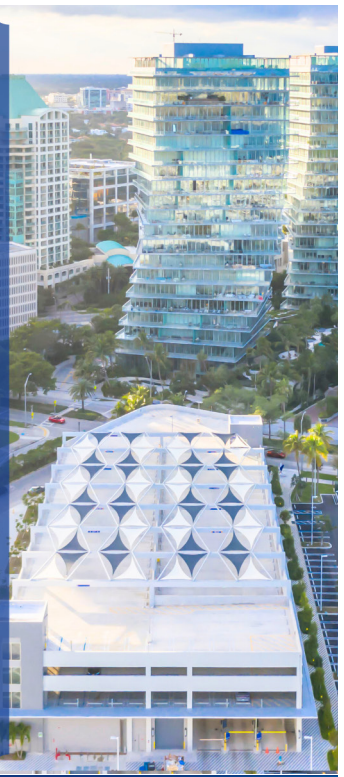
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and champions the efforts to  
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*Mayor*

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