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Member Spotlight: Main Street Skowhegan

Are you looking for a fun, informative net-working event? Look no further!

The Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce hosts a monthly business breakfast series on the second Thursday of most months from 7:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at the Best Western Plus in Waterville. Breakfasts are not held during the summer months of June – August. The registration fee is \$23.00 for members and \$29.00 for non-members.

When you attend a business breakfast you can expect to gain valuable knowledge on relevant business topics that you can bring back to your own company. The Chamber secures prominent, talented business professionals that present on their areas of expertise. We are excited for the 2024 lineup, some of which include:

Nancy Smith, chief executive officer, of GrowSmart Maine will be presenting on the ongoing struggles with housing in Maine.

DEI Panel Part 2 – presented by Dr. Richard Biffle-Thomas College professor, Ella Bowman – Winslow town manager, and Karen Morin-career success navigator at Maine Department of Education.

Dr. Amanda Stent from Colby College will share the benefits and disadvantages of using Artificial Intelligence (AI) in businesses.

Employment Attorney Peter Lowe and David Ciullo, CEO of Career Management Associates (CMA) will be back by popular demand to educate us on the new paid Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) law that will go into effect in 2025.

In addition to these informative topics, we will also be offering presentations around the child care shortage, rising fuel costs, small business marketing and employee mental health and stress management.

Don't miss the opportunity to learn from these professionals, make meaningful business connections, enjoy some wonderful food and be entered to win one of many great door prizes!

The Chamber is always looking for sponsors and quarterly entrepreneurial Spotlighters for the breakfasts'. If you are interested in being a sponsor or Spotlighter, please contact Cindy Stevens at cindy@midmainechamber.com or call (207) 873-3315. I look forward to seeing you in 2024 and wish you a healthy and prosperous New Year!

Michelle Joler-Labbe

Thomas College and Chamber Board Chair
Chair of the Business Breakfast Committee

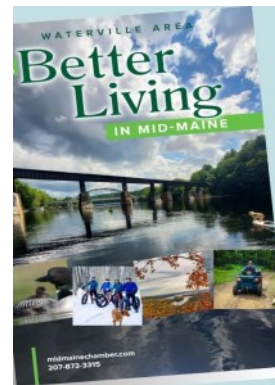


A new free monthly webinar series analyzing ME workforce strategies launched with a conversation about managing remote workers.

The series, called **Business Blueprint: Workforce Strategies in Maine's Evolving Economy**, features guests with lived experience and subject matter expertise, sharing best practices, opportunities, and resources to benefit ME businesses and workers.

The series is produced and presented by The Harold Alfond Center for the Advancement of Maine's Workforce, the short-term workforce training center for the ME Community College System (MCSS), according to a news release from the center. Guests Bruce Walker from L.L. Bean and Julia Trujillo Luengo with the state's Department of Economic and Community Dev. talked with host Joshua Howe, MCCS deputy executive director of workforce training and remote work.

Luengo updated viewers on the implementation of the state's 10-yr economic plan and the initial findings of a recent employer survey, and Walker shared how L.L. Bean has expanded remote work in recent years, how remote work has impacted company culture, and the lessons learned since COVID. **FMI:** www.mccs.me.edu



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DECEMBER MID-MAINE CHAMBER CALENDAR

Fri. Dec. 1 8:00 a.m. | Public Policy Committee
 Mon. Dec. 4 8:30 a.m. | KV Connect Steering Committee
 Thurs. Dec. 7 5:30 p.m. | Meet the Reps, Hampton Inn
 Weds. Dec. 13 12:30 p.m. | Executive Board Meeting
 Weds. Dec. 13 5:30 p.m. | BAH-O'Donnell Lee, P.A.

Thurs. Dec. 14 7:15 a.m. | Business Breakfast Series
 Fri. Dec. 15 7:30 a.m. | Marketing & Membership Meeting
 Fri. Dec. 15 11:30 a.m. | Board of Directors' Luncheon
 Tues. Dec. 19 8:30 a.m. | Workforce Practitioners' Meeting

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Presented by CMGC Staff &
TRC Companies.



Central Maine Growth Council's Local Programs and Resources

Featuring: *City of Waterville Brownfields and
ERIH Grant Programs.*



Gabe Gauvin
CMGC

Date: **Thursday, December 14**
Time: **7:15-9 a.m.**
Location: **Best Western Plus, 375 Main St., Waterville**
Registration: **\$23 for members; \$29 non-members**
Or Email: cindy@midmainechamber.com

Join us for an engaging business breakfast presentation with Gabe Gauvin from the Central Maine Growth Council and a speaker from TRC Companies. This presentation will detail public support programs for local businesses, developers and early-stage entrepreneurs, and will feature highlights of the City of Waterville's Brownfields grant program and CMGC's Economic



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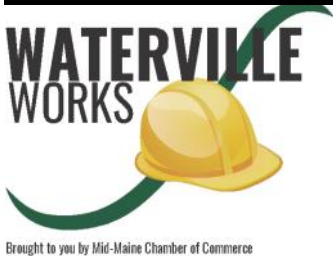
Join us for our next Business After Hours:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 5:30 -7 p.m.

Hosted by **O'Donnell Lee, P.A.**

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www.maine.gov/mdot/projects/waterville/ticonicbridge

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Calendar of Events

Thursdays, 7 - 7:30 p.m. Book Bites! (Facebook Read-A-Loud) Waterville Public Library

Each week Mrs. Liz will read an excerpt from one book off of the New Chapter Books shelves. **FMI:** 207-872-5433, librarians@watervillelibrary.org, watervillelibrary.org, facebook.com/Waterville library

Friday, Dec. 1-Celebrate First Friday in downtown Waterville

First Fridays celebrate the vibrant creativity in Waterville through a wide array of arts experiences. On the first Friday of every month, visit Main Street in downtown Waterville to meet artists, see performances, listen to live music, eat delicious food, shop at local businesses, enjoy the arts, and come together as a community.
FMI: watervillecreates.org

Friday, Dec. 1-10:30-11 a.m. Rhymetime for babies, toddlers and their grownups
Waterville Public Library | 73 Elm Street
FMI: watervillecreates.org

Saturday, Dec. 2-11 a.m. Button Making @ Waterville Public Library

Saturday, Dec. 2 | 1-2 p.m. | Earth Jams! Concert w/Matt Loosigan
FMI: watervillecreates.org

EVERY Thursday, Dec. 7 to April 2024, 2-5 p.m., Waterville Indoor Farmers' Market
Chace Forum, 150 Main Street
FMI: WatervilleFarmersMarket.org

Saturday-Monday, Dec. 9, 10 & 11—2 p.m. The Nutcracker @ Waterville Opera House
FMI: watervillecreates.org

Santa is planning to land in Kringleville on the eve of Saturday, Nov.25.
FMI: <https://kringleville.org>

Rotary Club of Waterville to launch charity auction Nov. 25.

Proceeds will benefit youth in central Maine. The 60th annual Waterville Rotary Auction with hundreds of gifts, services and unique items will be held online at biddingowl.com

FMI: <https://www.centralmaine.com/2023/11/18/rotary-club-of-waterville-to-launch-charity-auction-nov-25/>

Call: 207-649-2745

Chamber Chatter



If you are a Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce member and interested in participating, please contact: Jennifer@midmainechamber.com today to have your business featured in an upcoming Chatter.

It is free to Chamber members. Limit one per year.

This month's highlights include:

- Zach Brann
Main Street Provisions

- Dr. Anna Staehli Wiser
Discover Osteopractic Therapy
- Rachel Kilbrite
St Bridget Center
- Cara Maloney
Best Buddies International

Visit YouTube to view past video chats.

FMI: https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Mid-Maine+Chamber+Chatter

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Member News

Northern Light Inland Hospital is kicking off its 2023 Lights of Life program, an opportunity for the community to honor and remember friends, family members, and caregivers by purchasing a light for the hospital's holiday tree. FMI: northernlighthealth.org/InlandLights

Loyal Biscuit is pleased to announce that its 501c3 Fenway Fund, created in 2019, recently selected its 7th round of applicants to receive grant funding for projects that best met the criteria of the fund, for a total donation of \$5.5k. Of those awarded, our own Humane Society Waterville Area will receive a grant of \$700 to help with its Silver Street Colony Control Project. These funds will be used to help defray much of the costs associated with spaying and neutering the cats on Silver Street.

Applications will reopen in March '24 for any ME animal related nonprofit org. FMI: bark@loyalbiscuit.com

Maine's Children's Home is in urgent need of:

- Winter boots (toddler through adult sizes)
- Winter coats (toddler through adult sizes)
- Underwear (boys and girls, toddler through adult sizes)

FMI: giving@mainechildrenshome.org OR (207) 873-4253, ext. 200

Allen Insurance and Financial discusses employer sponsored retirement plans.

FMI: allenif.com/employer-sponsored-retirement-plans/

Festival Of Trees 2023

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL FESTIVAL OF TREES

Thank you to everyone that has sponsored, participated, supported, donated and volunteered for this year's Waterville Festival of Trees. This magical event was a huge success!



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People News

RFGH Providers Recognized for Teaching Excellence:

- Pameela Bislam, MD (Redington OB/GYN),
- Gina Gomez, MD (RFGH Hospitalist), and
- Michael Lambke, MD (Skowhegan Family Medicine)

RFGH Welcomes New Providers!

- Paraschos Archontakis Barakakis, MD (RFGH Hospitalist),
- Yrene Holmes, DO (RFGH Emergency Department),
- Jessica R. Perez, MD (RFGH Emergency Department),
- Michael Wack, MD (Redington Orthopedic Surgery)

Northern Light Inland Hospital is celebrating 80 years of caring for the community (opened on September 6, 1943)!

Inland is pleased to welcome new providers:

- Sheena Henry, MD, rheumatologist, to Northern Light Rheumatology,
- Gavin Hannon, DO, primary care provider to Northern Light Primary Care in Oakland; and
- Danielle Pelletier, CNM, certified nurse midwife to Northern Light Women’s Health

FMI: northernlight.org/inland

KVCAP extends a warm and heartfelt welcome to its newest employees: Rebecca Adams, Andrea Curtis, William Hill, Mike Nash, Mike Plossay, Lindsey Prescott, Maria Amalia Perez del Pulgar, Sol Turner, and Alexis Yahnel.

LATEST RIBBON CUTTINGS



Congratulations LAKESIDE STORAGE

Ribbon Cutting was held on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. at 38 Summer Street in Oakland.



Congratulations to METAMORPH JEWELRY STUDIO

Ribbon Cutting was held on Tuesday, November 14 at 2:30 p.m. at 40 Main Street in Waterville.

STAY TUNED for the next InTouch Newsletter featuring a Ribbon Cutting for:

DR. GILLIS MEDICAL WEIGHT LOSS MANAGEMENT

Wed., Nov. 29 at 3 p.m.—8 Water Street, Oakland

DECEMBER RIBBON CUTTINGS

Wednesday, December 6 at 3 p.m.

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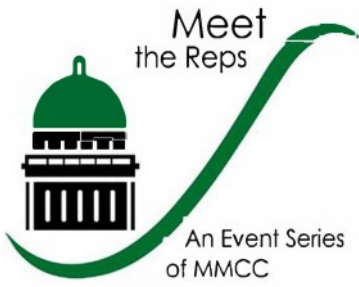
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Thursday, December 7, 2023 | 5:30-7:00 p.m.

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This event is proudly sponsored by:



**November '23 Speaker Series:
Maine Paid Family and Medical Leave Program**

Thursday, December 14 | 5:30 – 6:30 pm | Bricks Coworking and Innovation Space | 10 Water Street, Suite 110, Waterville

Beginning in 2026, eligible workers in the private and public sector will have 12 weeks of paid time off available to them for family or medical reasons including illness, to care for a relative, or for the birth of a child. Join Reggie Parson, deputy director of the Paid Family and Medical Leave Program, as he discusses an overview of the application process for the new paid family and medical leave program.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: MAIN STREET SKOWHEGAN



The Revitalization of Skowhegan. Leadership. Strategy. Momentum.

If you haven't been to Skowhegan lately, we encourage you to make the trip. With the injection of more than \$650 million into the community, including a \$20 million historic downtown mill redevelopment that will include a taproom, boutique hotel rooms, and housing—all with a river view; a new coffee shop, artist studio, candy store, and makers market adding to the vibrancy of the commercial district; and several other exciting initiatives that will bolster the outdoor recreation and local food economy, the momentum in Skowhegan is palpable.

Main Street Skowhegan is boldly leading the way, with the implementation of key economic, community, and workforce development programs and projects:

Skowhegan Outdoors AmeriCorps Program: Providing free outdoor recreation activities & gear for community members at 65 Water St.; workforce development & training for AmeriCorps facilitators.

Skowhegan River Park: Project management and fundraising (more than \$7 million raised!) for redeveloping Skowhegan's industrial river corridor into a whitewater kayak and river surf park with enhanced river access and a natural channel for tubing and fish passage.

Riverfront Development: Project management and fundraising (\$2 million raised!) for revitalizing the riverfront from the Old Mill Pub to the municipal building.

Trail Master Plan for Skowhegan: Planning for more than 50 miles of interconnected trails accessible via downtown for walking, biking, xc skiing, snowshoeing, and more.

Skowhegan Center for Entrepreneurship: Coworking & meeting space, entrepreneurial trainings, and workforce programming at 181 Water St.

The Kitchen at 185: Future shared commercial kitchen incubator at 185 Water St. that will reduce barriers to entry for food entrepreneurs, bolster production of value-added agricultural products, and offer culinary workforce training.

Main Street Skowhegan, 65 Water St, Unit 1, Skowhegan, ME 04976 | 207-612-2571 | info@mainstreetskowhegan.org

Learn more and support its work at MainStreetSkowhegan.org/donate



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2024



Business After Hours: A great place to network and market your business. After Hours is hosted, or co-hosted, by chamber members in our region and is one of many benefits we offer our chamber members. Hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and other beverages are available, or you could win the 50/50 raffle and fabulous door prizes donated by area businesses. Make sure to bring your business cards!

Please join us from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

January 17:	Alfond Youth & Community Center 126 North Street, Waterville
February 28:	TD Bank 182 Main Street, Waterville
March 20:	Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter & Services 19 Colby Street, Waterville
April 10:	Humane Society—Waterville Area 100 Webb Road, Waterville
May 15:	Mbingo Mountain Coffee 7 Silvermount Street, Waterville
June 19:	Friends of Quarry Road 300 Quarry Road, Waterville
July 17:	Silverton BBQ Bar 51 Webb Road, Canaan
September 19:	Northern Light Inland Hospital and Purdue Global 222 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville (Simulation Ctr.)
October 17:	Coldwell Banker Plourde Real Estate 143 Silver Street, Waterville
November:	No Event
December 18:	SKILLS, Inc. / Ervin Community Supports 15 Wandrup Road, Hinckley



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375 Main St., Waterville

7:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

- January 11:** **GrowSmart Maine. Housing Policy and Practices: Here's What You Can Do Now.** CEO of GrowSmart Maine, Nancy Smith, will present on creation of more housing choices, and policy options keeping municipal budgets stable, protecting productive farmland and open space and fostering economic and community development. Hear about statewide policy and community technical assistance where you live and work.
- February 8:** **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Panel Part 2: What Can Be Done in Our Communities and In Our Workplaces to Embrace DEI?** Panelists will include: Winslow Town Manager, Ella Bowman; Career Success Navigator, Maine Department of Education, Karen Morin, and Thomas College Professor of Education Dr. Richard Biffle.
- March 14:** **The AI Phenomenon—Its Advantages and Cautions:** Director of the Davis Institute for Artificial Intelligence, Dr. Amanda Stent will speak on the courses offered in this present day development. She will share the benefits of using Artificial Intelligence (AI) in businesses, given the growing AI proliferation.
- April 11:** **Quality Child Care: A Vital Component of a Community's Economic Structure.** A panel of Early Childhood leaders, including Chief Operating Officer KVCAP/Educare Central Maine, Tracye Fortin; Educare School Director Rhonda Kaiser, and a Parent Ambassador to be determined, will share data and strategies to increase quality early childhood programming across Maine.
- May 9:** **What Happened? How Did Electricity Get So Expensive?** Public Advocate William Harwood will address the underlying reasons why electricity prices are unusually high and what can be done to lower them. Specifically, he will focus on the unpredictability of Standard Offer prices, the option of selecting a Competitive Electricity Provider, the benefits provided to renewable energy developers, the rising cost of restoration of service after major storms and, finally, the need to provide financial assistance to low income ratepayers.
- Sept. 12:** **Walking the Tightrope: Finding the balance of Personal Happiness and Passion for Your Job.** Join Community Health and Counseling Service Regional Manager, Leslie Lennig, for this informative discussion focused on the continued acclimation to a post-pandemic world, where many find it more difficult to find true work-life balance and address chronic stress. Learn how to find that balance that helps you remain passionate about your work.
- Oct. 3:** **Legislative Topic: TBD.**
- Nov. 14:** **Paid Family Medical Leave Act Updates and HR Laws.** Back by popular demand, CEO/Owner of Career Management Associates, David Ciullo, and Employment Attorney Peter Lowe, partner at Brann & Isaacson, will educate on the new paid FMLA law that will go into effect in 2025, and additional HR law topics.
- Dec. 12:** **Choosing the Right Marketing Platforms to Attract Customers and Reduce Ad Spend.** Marketing & Program Mgr. Dan Reed, of SCORE Maine will explore how to know your audience, given that knowledge is power, helping you choose the correct platforms where your clients make buying decisions.

Cost per person: \$23 members; \$29 at the door and non-members.

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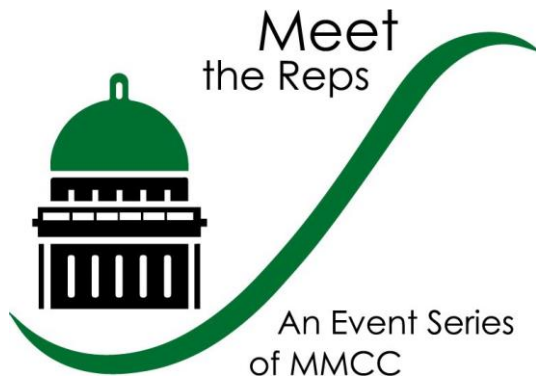
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Annual Awards Ceremony



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Do you know someone who serves the area unselfishly? Do you wish they could receive appropriate recognition? Here is your opportunity!

For 61 years, the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce has given prestigious awards to deserving and distinguished area businesses and professionals.

Please take the time to review the selection criteria below.

***All nominees must be Chamber members in good standing except for the Distinguished Community Service award. ***

DISTINGUISHED COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The nominee must have:

- ◆ Been involved with the betterment of the community for at least ten years.
- ◆ Demonstrated community leadership.
- ◆ Initiated creativity with no fewer than three (3) different areas of community service.
- ◆ Demonstrated unselfishness towards the economic betterment of the mid-Maine area.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR – Two Awards: Small and Large Business

Small Business of the Year: Less than 50 employees

Large Business of the Year: Over 50 employees

Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award is given to an area business that:

- ◆ Exemplifies commitment to growth within the community through an expansion of workforce, major renovations and/or foresight.
- ◆ Contributed to the overall well-being of the community.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL

To nominate a person for the outstanding professional award, the nominee must:

- ◆ Demonstrate leadership and excellence in their profession.
- ◆ Give back in support to the community.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce Municipal Employee of the Year Award is given to an employee of a Chamber-area municipality who:

- ◆ Displays leadership in supporting the positive direction of his/her/its municipality.
- ◆ Goes above and beyond in his/her assignment or in project fulfillment, making a difference in the community.
- ◆ Demonstrates positive support of business initiatives.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

EXCEPTIONAL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Nominees in this category must:

- ◆ Be a volunteer with at least one Chamber member organization.
- ◆ Exemplify service above self through in support of the organization's mission and the community.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

RISING STAR AWARD

The Rising Star recipient must:

- ◆ Be under the age of 40.
- ◆ Be in management or other leadership capacity within the business organization.
- ◆ Illustrate a combination of business success and community involvement.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

CUSTOMER SERVICE STARDOM AWARD

Nominees in this category must:

- ◆ Illustrate pride in his/her job.
- ◆ Demonstrate examples of exceptional customer service.
- ◆ Not be a business owner or a member of top management.

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

ELIAS A. JOSEPH AWARD

“In honor of Elias A. Joseph, for dedication of over 28 years of volunteer and loyal service to the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce and for professional achievement and unselfish devotion to his community, effectively developing, coordinating and supervising programs and projects that greatly enhanced all the people of mid-Maine for over a quarter of a century, and acknowledging his exceptional initiative, that includes over 10,000 hours of volunteer service to this Chamber of Commerce, we of the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors hereby proclaim and declare that henceforth the *Elias A. Joseph Award* shall be awarded to those most worthy to bear the name and having displayed similar service to the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce.”

Attach additional pages to explain why this person is deserving of this award.

**To submit a nomination, please respond by mail, fax or email to the Mid-Maine Chamber office
by December 1, 2023 to:**

Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce
Annual Awards Nomination
50 Elm Street, Waterville, ME 04901

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Remember to review the criteria for each category, and provide your nominee's name and reason for nomination for the category. We look forward to receiving your response by December 1, 2023.

Please join us for our Annual Awards Ceremony in April 2024.

Business Breakfast



Gabe Gauvin – Central Maine Growth Council

TOPIC:

Central Maine Growth Council's Local Programs and Resources and the City of Waterville Brownfields Grant Program

When: Thursday, December 14, 7:15 - 9:00 a.m.

Where: Best Western Plus, 375 Main St., Waterville

Join us for an engaging business breakfast presentation with Gabe Gauvin of the Central Maine Growth Council and a presenter from TRC Companies. This presentation will detail several public support programs for local businesses, developers, and early-stage entrepreneurs, with a featured highlight of the City of Waterville's Brownfields grant program and CMGC's Economic Recovery Implementation Hub (ERIH) funded through a program of Maine's Department of Economic and Community Development.

This session will specifically educate on how to leverage these local programs and funding opportunities to deploy direct grant dollars to your business or project, reduce needed investment in redevelopment projects, and explore how CMGC provides resources, funding, and mentorship to entrepreneurs.

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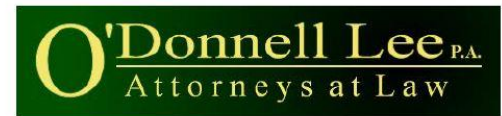
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