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City of Charleston to Host Small Business Opportunity Expo at Gaillard Center

Charleston, S.C.—The city of Charleston's Business Services Division will host the 2022 Small Business Opportunity Expo on Thursday, March 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Gaillard Center, located at 2 George Street. The annual event provides an opportunity for local small business owners to meet with community organizations and municipal partners to discuss their services, contractual needs and available business opportunities.

This year's Expo will feature:

- 30+ exhibitors
- Presentations on procurement and contracting opportunities with the City of Charleston, the City of North Charleston and Charleston County
- Mayor's Small Business Roundtable with Mayor John J. Tecklenburg and local business owners
- Small Business Workshops, including: Meet the Lenders, Small Business Legal Basics & How to Write a Business Plan

Mayor Tecklenburg said, "Small businesses are the backbone of our economy. We look forward to welcoming this year's group of attendees and working with them to help their businesses prosper."

Ruth Jordan, the City's Minority & Women-Owned Business Enterprise Manager said, "This is a great opportunity for our local small business owners – particularly minority and women-owned – to get a sense of the business opportunities that exist within our community. This expo has been organized to offer support to our local businesses and help provide opportunities they may not have known about otherwise."

To register for this free event, please visit: <https://charleston-sc.gov/smallbizexpo>

For more information, please contact Ruth Jordan, Minority & Women-Owned Business Enterprise Manager, at jordanr@charleston-sc.gov or (843) 724-7434.

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