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FOOD-BASED BUSINESS TRAINING

GROWING YOUR FOOD-BASED BUSINESS

This evening workshop is being presented by professional food brokers from the Walker Food Group. The presenters will explain the roles of food brokers and food distributors and food manufacturers, and discuss how to find new markets for your food products. This course is a must for anyone who is starting a new food manufacturing business, or someone looking to grow an existing food manufacturing business. The fee is \$25. To register, please email tlong@ecd.org or call 614.559.0115.

Date: 7/8
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Location: ECDI

MOBILE FOOD BUSINESSES

This workshop is presented by Jeff Morris from All A Cart Manufacturing, at their site. He will explain the mobile food business, and discuss mobile food entrepreneurship. A representative from the Columbus Public Health department will be available to discuss food safety, licensing and regulations. This course is a must for anyone who is starting a new mobile food business, or growing an existing one. There is no fee for this workshop. There will be food cooked at the workshop available for consumption and purchase. To register, please email tlong@ecd.org or call 614.559.0115.

Dates: 7/12
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Location: All A Cart Manufacturing
1450 Universal Rd.
Columbus, OH 43207

FARMERS' MARKETS & YOUR BUSINESS

This workshop is being presented by professional managers of local farmers' market who will explain the roles of farmers' markets in our community, and discuss how to participate successfully in these markets. This course is a must for anyone who is starting a new food business and looking to sell food products at a farmers market. The fee is \$25. To register, please email tlong@ecd.org or call 614.559.0115.

Date: 7/26
Time: 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Location: ECDI

FOOD-BASED MICROENTERPRISE

This course covers entrepreneurship, but is customized for the special business needs of food entrepreneurs, including information relevant to businesses with mobile food carts, caterers, food manufacturing, and restaurants. A wide variety of resources and networking information will be provided, and successful food entrepreneurs will be available to discuss their businesses and answer questions. Information will also be provided concerning food safety and local kitchen facilities. The class costs \$75 and space is limited. To register, email tlong@ecd.org or call 614.559.0115. Participants in this course may take the Farmers' Markets course for free.

Date: 7/19, 7/21, 7/22, 7/26, 7/27, 7/29
Time: 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Location: ECDI

ENTREPRENEUR OPEN HOUSE

This monthly open house enables new and experienced food entrepreneurs to meet, share ideas and contacts, and hear updates about ECDI's Growing Entrepreneurs Initiative and services to support local food entrepreneurs. Participants are encouraged to bring along food samples to share. Speakers in the food industry often attend and share information about their experiences. Open house is free, just bring along your food, business cards and a desire to meet other food entrepreneurs and learn more about the Central Ohio local food movement. Open house takes place in the community room at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank, located in Grove City, just off of I-71. To register, please email tlong@ecd.org or call 614.559.0115.

Date: 7/27
Time: 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Location: Mid-Ohio Food Bank
3960 Brookham Drive
Grove City, OH 43123