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OED advances the business prosperity of Ozaukee County collaborating with community, regional and business partners ensuring a growing and diversified economy.

2021 OED Outreach Event

Wednesday, May 12, 4:30-7:30 pm

As Spring comes bouncing in – hopefully more like a lamb than a lion – and the vaccine becomes more and more available, many of us are looking for ways to give a jumpstart to our business and reconnect with colleagues we have only been seeing virtually. OED is excited to offer a great opportunity through its Annual 2021 Outreach Event. The event will be held on Wednesday, May 12th from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at the Watermark at Shully's located at 146 Green Bay Road in Thiensville.

The event begins with an hour of networking and which is then followed by our program headlined by our featured speaker Missy Hughes. Ms. Hughes is the Secretary and CEO of WEDC, Wisconsin's lead economic development organization. WEDC works with businesses to help them expand and grow in Wisconsin and is the main conduit to state funding programs. Ms. Hughes will speak about how the State of Wisconsin is helping its businesses survive and thrive during these challenging times.

The Outreach Event provides an excellent opportunity for business executives throughout Ozaukee County to connect with local and state government in an informal setting. The event will have complimentary hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and a great networking opportunity.

There is no fee to attend but registration is required. Please email kschilling@co.ozaukee.wi.us on or before May 7th to register.

To ensure the event is safe and healthy, OED will be maintaining COVID guidelines. Weather permitting, we will have the event outdoors. If the weather does not allow, we will be indoors, but will have the space set up to ensure social distancing. Masks will be recommended.

Valet parking will be available. We look forward to seeing you on May 12th.

WisDOT I-43 Construction Virtual Presentation

Freeway modernization project overview

Ozaukee Economic Development and Ozaukee County area Chambers of Commerce are partnering with WisDOT to offer a virtual presentation on the upcoming I-43 construction project on Thursday, June 3rd from 8:30 – 9:15 am, via Zoom. Steve Hoff, P.E., WisDOT DOT Project Manager will discuss the reconstruction and modernization of I-43 from Bender Road in Milwaukee County to WIS 60 in Ozaukee County, which will start late summer/early fall of this year and last into 2025.

WisDOT will provide an update on the project's scope, construction schedule, and impacts to travelers. The presentation will also focus on measures WisDOT will be taking to maximize public awareness, driver safety and mobility during the reconstruction project.

To register, email oed@co.ozaukee.wi.us by Wednesday, June 2nd.



OED 2020 Business of the Year Awards & Economic Forecast Breakfast

Nominations are open from April 26 - May 26, 2021

Ozaukee Economic Development is accepting nominations for the 2021 County Business/Businesses of the Year. This program looks to highlight growing area businesses. The award focuses on four areas: job growth, revenue/sales growth, building or site expansion and community involvement. This year's awards will also focus on how businesses responded to COVID-19 in 2020.

Businesses can self-nominate or may be nominated by an outside party. The awards will be presented at the OED Business of the Year & Economic Forecast Breakfast on Tuesday, October 19th.

Applications are available on April 26th, and are due on or before May 26th, 2021, and will be reviewed by OED's business recognition committee.

For more information or to get an application, contact Kathleen Cady Schilling at kschilling@co.ozaukee.wi.us or 262-238-7730. The application is available on the following page.



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OZAUKEE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 2020 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

(Information will be kept confidential)

NOMINATION FORM - DEADLINE MAY 26, 2021

BUSINESS NAME:

BUSINESS ADDRESS:

CONTACT PERSON:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

BUSINESS SECTOR:

YEARS IN BUSINESS:

Please use additional sheets to provide a snapshot of the last five years (including your current efforts) and include information on the following:

Business Improvement

- Employment Growth or Retention Efforts:
- Expansion of your Business - including new product lines or locations:
- Profit Growth:

Community Support

- Participation in Community Events:
- Support of Local Civic Organizations:
- Support of Charitable Non-Profit Organizations:

COVID Bonus Section

- How did your company deal with the COVID crisis in 2020, including maintaining staff, changing product lines or altering your business model?

Additional supporting information is welcome.

Submitted by:

Email:

**Please return to Ozaukee Economic Development, PO Box 994, Port Washington, WI 53074
Or e-mail kschilling@co.ozaukee.wi.us on or before May 26, 2021.**