## **Bringing Bucks to Your Business**

A small business workshop designed to help small business owners identify and obtain funding for their small businesses

## Wednesday, October 17, 2018 5:30-8pm

Rockland City Hall, Council Chambers 270 Pleasant Street, Rockland

Hosted by: Rockland Main Street Inc., Penobscot Bay Regional Chamber of Commerce & the City of Rockland

Presented by: Midcoast Economic Development District & U.S. Small Business Administration in conjunction with Maine Technology Institute, MaineStream Finance, Maine DECD and Maine DOL

Growing your business, funding a startup or new product development can be a challenge. This workshop will include ways for small businesses to identify and obtain funding for their new or growing business. The workshop will include brief presentations, followed by a question and answer period for small business owners to get individual/private assistance from the following providers:

Amy Bassett-District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration. Amy will be speaking about SBA programs, including sources of capital and technical assistance to start or grow your business.

Brian Whitney-President, The Maine Technology Institute. Brian will be speaking about MTI's funding opportunities for innovative business.

Brian Mulligan-Governor's Account Executive, Maine Department of Economic and Community Development. Brian will be speaking about working with State Agencies and how to navigate the permitting and licensing process for small business.

David Grima-Maine Department of Labor. David will be speaking about Maine DOL's sources of funding to train workers, and other Maine DOL programs to help small businesses.

Brian Dancause-Midcoast Economic Development District. Brian will be speaking about how MCEDD's funding programs can help local businesses grow.

Ken Greenleaf-MaineStream Finance. Ken will be speaking about Microloans (up to \$50,000) and free technical assistance provided by MaineStream Finance.

Julie Hashem-Director of Development, City of Rockland. Julie will be speaking about the City's Brownfields program and assistance her office can provide with municipal requirements.

There is no charge to attend this event, though registration is requested. For more information or to register, please contact Niki Janczura at <a href="mailto:necole.janczura@thefirst.com">necole.janczura@thefirst.com</a> or by calling Niki at 207.593.1010 ext. 2811. Light refreshments will be provided.





