



Memorandum of Understanding
with the
Alliance of Entrepreneur Resource Organizations - Broward County
and
Broward County, Florida

1) PURPOSE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to describe the mutual understandings and enhance the working relationship between the Alliance of Entrepreneur Resource Organizations - Broward County (AERO Broward) and Broward County, Florida (County).

AERO Broward members are joined by a common mission: to collaborate as a coalition of public agencies, educational institutions, and community non-profit associations united to provide and inform entrepreneurs of resources to assist them with their business. AERO Broward members are listed in Attachment 1.

Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development (OESBD) is a public agency responsible for enhancing Broward County's economy by recruiting new and supporting existing industries and creating new employment opportunities for residents. As part of County's participation and membership in AERO Broward, OESBD will work collaboratively with AERO Broward's key partners and other members to enhance OESBD's mission to promote job growth, diversify the County's industrial mix, and expand the local tax base.

The Broward County Libraries Division offers the Creation Station Business co-working space at the Main Library in support of local entrepreneurs and businesses, with numerous available resources including meeting rooms, collaborative workspaces, videoconferencing equipment, smartboard, seminars & classes, and U.S. Patent & Trademark Office assistance. Through County's involvement with AERO Broward, local businesses can take better advantage of the Libraries Division's free work and meeting spaces, high-tech equipment, business resources, and assistance for creating and growing their business at the library.

AERO Broward members, through their programs and services to the public, support the mission of AERO Broward to provide current and new businesses with resources to aid in their success. Each AERO Broward member has unique services and resources which, when delivered in coordination with other AERO Broward members, will strengthen, expand, and provide maximum benefits to the entrepreneurial and start-up community in Broward County.

2) SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

AERO Broward members are encouraged to promote each other's programs, refer employment candidates to each other's programs and to support the members' events based on resource availability.

This MOU shall not be construed as endorsing, supporting, or approving of any grant applied for by any individual AERO Broward member.



3) USE OF AERO BROWARD AND MEMBER'S NAME AND LOGO

County may use the AERO Broward logo to promote AERO Broward and/or an AERO Broward member's programs, activities, and services. AERO Broward's logo cannot be used in a way to suggest that AERO Broward is endorsing any individual, organization, product, or service of a non-AERO Broward member. AERO Broward's logo also must not be used in any manner that will bring AERO Broward into a negative light, such as in connection with any products or services related to the alcohol, gambling or adult entertainment industries, political lobbying efforts, and/or any partisan political or other campaign-related activities.

The use of an AERO Broward member logo by AERO Broward or another AERO Broward member must be approved by that AERO Broward member to which the logo belongs, which approval is in the sole discretion of that AERO Broward member.

4) AERO BROWARD/MOU ADMINISTRATION

AERO Broward members are encouraged to volunteer minor administrative services to the organization from time to time. These may include taking monthly meeting notes, assisting with the AERO Resource Expo or other simple tasks. No obligation exists to volunteer. AERO Broward members can volunteer at any time and can end their volunteering commitment at any time. The AERO Broward members who volunteer shall not have any privileges or authorities beyond that of any other AERO Broward member.

5) NEW MEMBERS

To be considered for membership of AERO Broward, an organization must be a public agency, educational institution, or a community non-profit association. An existing AERO Broward member may nominate a prospective new organization to AERO Broward. Or a prospective member may request to join AERO Broward. A nomination or request shall include a description of the prospective organization and the types of programs and/or activities they provide that would make them a compatible addition to AERO Broward.

The description of the nominated prospective organization shall be distributed to each existing AERO Broward member at least one (1) week in advance of seeking a vote by AERO Broward members. A polled vote of all existing AERO Broward members may be taken in person or via telephone. A simple majority of the AERO Broward members shall be sufficient to approve the perspective member.

6) MOU TERM

Cooperation under this collaboration will commence upon execution of the MOU by all AERO Broward members listed in Attachment 1 and will continue from the date of the last signature until the MOU is terminated by a simple majority of AERO Broward members.

An AERO Broward member may terminate its participation under this MOU at any time, with or without cause, upon notifying all other AERO Broward members. AERO Broward may terminate the participation of a MOU signatory by a simple majority of the AERO Broward members.



7) AMENDMENT

The AERO Broward members agree to consult each other on any amendment, modification, or clarification to the provisions of this MOU. This MOU may only be amended or modified in writing.

8) RELATIONSHIP

This MOU does not authorize the expenditure of any funds. This MOU shall not be interpreted as creating any binding legal obligations between the AERO Broward members nor shall it limit any AERO Broward member from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relation of principal or agent or employer and employee with respect to any AERO Broward member and/or AERO Broward.

9) POINTS OF CONTACT

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10) SIGNATURES

The signatories below represent that they have the authority to make such commitments on behalf of their respective organizations. This MOU may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

- BROWARD COUNTY, Florida
 - BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARIES DIVISION
 - BROWARD COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT



BROWARD COUNTY

WITNESSES:

Ariel Walker
Signature

Ariel Walker
Print Name of Witness

Tamara Brannon
Signature

TAMARA BRANNON
Print Name of Witness

BROWARD COUNTY, through its
County Administrator

By: Bertha Henry
Bertha Henry, County Administrator
14th day of December, 2021

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency by:

Digitally signed by Sandy Steed
Sandy Steed
Date: 2021.12.14 11:10:33 -05'00'

Sandy Steed Date
Assistant County Attorney

ALLIANCE OF ENTREPRENEUR RESOURCE ORGANIZATIONS – BROWARD COUNTY (AERO)

WITNESSES:

Jennifer Korach
Signature

Jennifer Korach
Print Name of Witness

Daryl Rosenbaum
Signature

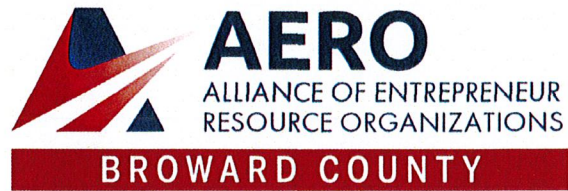
Daryl Rosenbaum
Print Name of Witness

Charee Sheridan

By: Jennifer Korach
Authorized Signor

Jennifer Korach, FSU, JMI
Print Name and Title
(AERO Chair) Director

16 day of December, 2021



ATTACHMENT 1

AERO Broward Members as of October 1, 2020

- ALAN B. LEVAN, NSU BROWARD CENTER OF INNOVATION
- BROWARD COLLEGE ENTREPRENEURSHIP EXPERIENCE
- BROWARD COUNTY
 - BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARIES DIVISION
 - BROWARD COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
- BROWARD SCORE
- CAREERSOURCE BROWARD/START-UP NOW
- CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
- CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- DANIA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
- FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, JIM MORAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- GREATER FORT LAUDERDALE ALLIANCE
- HISPANIC UNITY OF FLORIDA
- NDC – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
- NFTE, NETWORK FOR TEACHING ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER, SBDC FORT LAUDERDALE
- URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY, CENTRAL COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP. ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTER
- SOUTH FLORIDA WOMEN’S BUSINESS COUNCIL