

# THE HUBSTER

NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE FOR HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES

September 2020 Edition



## Statewide MED Week 2020: October 30th

The HUB Office is excited to announce our 2020 Statewide Minority Enterprise Development Week (MED Week). Join us for our very first virtual MED Week! As our great state joins in this event, this year's theme is **"Pivoting – Diversifying in the Midst of a Pandemic."** Businesses will share general practices conducive to short-term survival along with long-term resilience and growth. Our event will be held on Friday, October 30th, 2020 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. The HUB networking reception will be from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. This will be a virtual reception. [Register Now!](#)



Governor Roy Cooper declared Sept 15—Oct 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month. The HUB Office joins in celebrating all of our Hispanic HUB vendors for your outstanding work all across the state! Read the Governor's [proclamation](#).

## RETOOL NC Grant Program



RETOOLNC will focus on aiding NC small historically underutilized businesses to enable them to make pivotal changes to meet industry needs during the pandemic. Funded at \$12 million, the HUB Small Business Impact Grant Program (RETOOLNC) will be administered by the Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB Office) in partnership with the Carolina Small Business Development Fund (CSBDF) and the North Carolina Institute for Minority Economic Development (the Institute).

[Read the announcement & FAQs and requirements.](#)

[Read the FAQs and requirements in Spanish.](#)

## HUB Office Welcomes New NC SBE Program & Team

Welcome to our new SBE Manager, Iris Ramírez Reese and our two new SBE specialists, Arthur Anderson and Jakala Wilson!



The new team brings a wealth of knowledge—Iris has been a small business owner for over 20 years and also serves on The Governor's HUB Advisory Council. Iris says, "I am excited to help small businesses have the same success I have had and I am looking forward to helping them navigate and benefit from the services offered by HUB."

Arthur joined us from a previous position with the NC Department of Military & Veterans Affairs. Arthur says he is ready and willing to "provide resources and relief for small businesses that have been adversely impacted by the residual effects of the pandemic."

Jakala, a former teacher for Wake County Public Schools, is looking forward to this new opportunity to continue building relationships and serving the people all across North Carolina in a new way. Her motto is reflected by Toni Morrison's quote: "make a difference about something other than yourselves."

Together, our new SBE team has hit the ground running and is already reviewing SBE affirmations and preparing to grow the program. Stay tuned for new information about the program soon!

If you are already HUB certified and want to become part of the SBE Program, please complete the [SBE Affirmation](#).

## [COVID-19 Resources](#)

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AAA Valuation, LLC  
AE Engineering, Inc.  
Aladdin's Lantern LLC  
Alston Yard Landscaping  
Amazon Enterprise, Inc.  
AMB Tech Solutions  
American Veteran Assembly, LLC  
Apex Business Group LLC  
Argentum Translations  
ARM USA, LLC  
Arrington Essential Transit, LLC  
Artis Farm & Produce  
B&N Grading, Inc.  
Behind The Scenes, Inc.  
Best Way Express, Inc.  
BG Digital Group, Inc.  
Binders of JHC, LLC  
BLACKCAT TRUCKING LLC  
Brandits, LLC  
Breathe Freely LLC  
Bright Light Technologies  
Bunn Hauling, Incorporated  
C & M Restorations  
C&M Defense Group  
Capital Consulting L.L.C. D/B/A Tharseo  
Carolina Acoustical Installers, Inc.  
Carolina Green Corp  
Carolina Janitorial Services, LLC  
City Floors & More, LLC  
Cleaning Done Right Ministries, LLC  
Commercial/Industrial Technology, LLC  
Concrete Pay Services, LLC  
Cooper Septic Tank Service, LLC  
County Tax Services, Inc.  
D J Metal and Glass, Inc.  
Divergent IT, LLC  
DJOI Incorporated  
Duke Tech Solutions  
Dynamic Images International, LLC  
Electrical Innovators  
Elle Waterworks Supply, LLC  
Employee Benefits Company, Inc.  
Eno Supply Company  
Extreme Clean of NC LLC  
Falcon Engineering  
Fierce Fellows LLC  
First Choice One Companies, LLC  
Forella Group, LLC  
Fusion Multicultural Marketing & Communications

Genius Talent  
Gibson Construction and Remodeling, LLC  
Grace Business Services, LLC  
Ground Thunder NC, Inc.  
Hands Law Office, PLLC  
Hard Road Fitness Company  
Hardin Construction & Investment Group, Inc.  
HIS Consultations  
Hoard Law, P.C.  
Illumined Leadership Solutions  
Infrastructure Professional Services and Equipment  
J & H Contracting  
J L Raper Corp  
Jack A. Farrior, Inc  
JCM & Associates, Inc./Blue Goose Uniform  
JDH Structural Engineers, PLLC  
Jecha Networks, Inc.  
Jerians Travel, Inc.  
JJ Construction Services, LLC  
Kiser Financial Solutions  
KMT Heating & Air Conditioning Corporation  
Krystal Smith Accounting, Inc.  
Laser Construction Sitework & Utility Co  
Lil Ricks Trucking  
Living Roofs, Inc  
Love Family First LLC  
LSNS Consulting LLC  
M. Davis and Associates LLC  
Marianne Kelsey Book and Paper Conservation, LLC  
Millennium Lighting Solutions, Inc.  
Monterey Consultants, Inc.  
Moss+Ross  
Moving In The Right Direction Trucking, LLC  
Mrs. Rogers Cleaning Service, LLC  
Municipal Tank Coating & Sandblasting, Inc.  
Mustard Seed Business Ventures, LLC  
Nall Construction Company, Inc.  
National Erectors Rebar  
NC Landscape Solutions, Inc.  
Netrocon Systems  
Next Phase Solutions  
O. R. Colan Associates, LLC  
OnPointe Partners, LLC  
Open Studio Design, Inc.  
Paul Barbour and Son, Inc.  
Perfect Industrial  
PMG Construction Cleaning & Landscaping  
Point AB Consulting LLC  
Precision Environmental, Inc.  
Pristine Cleaning, LLC  
Quality & Precision Fencing/Welding

RBC Utilities Incorporated  
Rhythms Welding  
Riverside Recreation LLC  
Rose Painting & Decorating, LLC  
Ruby Jones Consulting, Inc.  
Rymackees Café & Caterer, LLC  
SHELROC Enterprises LLC  
Shemekka Ebony, L.L.C.  
Shift Creative Agency  
Talsen Solutions, LLC  
Tamter Electrical & Communications Solu-  
The Johnson Group  
The Parham Group, LLC  
TK Home Repairs and Cleaning  
Tony's Lawn Service  
Tru Pearl Solution Services, PLLC  
United Providers of Health  
Vimar Construction, LLC  
Wealth Trucking & Co LLC  
Wilhelmena Consultant and Research  
Wilkinson Supply Company  
World Eide Technology, Inc.  
Ziegenfuss Drilling, Inc.

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