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## **Board Announces Business Workshop on August 9th**

(Pontiac, Michigan)--- On **Wednesday, August 9, 2017**, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, in partnership with the Oakland County Department of Economic Development & Community Affairs and Purchasing, will present a business workshop for local business owners and entrepreneurs. The event is free and will begin at 2:00pm in the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center at 2100 Pontiac Lake Road (Building 41W) in Waterford, Michigan.

The program is designed to provide business owners, entrepreneurs, vendors, suppliers and contractors with information about the many free business services and resources the County offers. Attendees can learn how to become a registered vendor with Oakland County, access the One Stop Shop Business Center's many resources, explore business financing options and connect with Oakland County Michigan Works! offices. Oakland County Commissioners Janet Jackson, Michael Spisz and Gary R. McGillivray will host the event, which will also feature a Q&A session and tabletop exhibits.

"Oakland County offers many opportunities for business owners to improve their companies, open a new business or expand their reach into a larger market," said Commissioner Michael Spisz, Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. "I hope to see a lot of local businesses participate and take advantage of this event."

"Small business entrepreneurship is the life blood in communities," stated Commissioner Janet Jackson. "It is essential, as the Board of Commissioners, to provide information and forums that help educate and foster fledgling businesses. These activities can level the playing field and spur economic development for all of our residents."

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners created this executive summary event in response to many questions from the local business community, and it is a great opportunity to explore the many services Oakland County offers to help local businesses grow and thrive.

“This will be a great opportunity to learn how your company can bid on projects Oakland County has available,” added Commissioner Gary R. McGillivray. “You will also learn about Oakland County services that will benefit your business free of charge!”

**To register, go to [www.oakgov.com/boc](http://www.oakgov.com/boc) and click on the “Register Today!” link under the “Oakland is Open for Business!” section on the home page.** For more information, please contact Connie Srogi at 248-858-4078 or [srogic@oakgov.com](mailto:srogic@oakgov.com).

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