



Activities and Projects Updates Summary

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Please provide a bulleted synopsis of major activities and projects in which you or your organization are engaged that you would like to share with the group.

Grow Your Own: Entrepreneurship-Based Economic Development for Local Communities ebook

This ebook provides *grow your own* strategies and principles that local leadership can use as a guide for their community. The first section presents a case for entrepreneurship and small business and economic drivers in community. The second section examines the elements of *grow your own* models and what communities will need to implement these models as an economic development strategy. Email Dell Gines at dell.gines@kc.frb.org to receive an electronic copy. Additional *Grow Your Own* resources are available at www.kansascityfed.org/community/smallbusiness.

An Introduction to Crowdfunding

Archived webinar covering the history of crowdfunding, the current state of the industry, and the future of equity-based crowdfunding. Also available at www.kansascityfed.org/community/smallbusiness.

Entrepreneurship in the Classroom

Resources to help educators include entrepreneurship in their curriculum, including entrepreneurship in action videos where students can hear from entrepreneurs about why they chose their current path, the obstacles they faced, and what they've learned, as well as "The Case for Youth Entrepreneurship" infographic. www.kansascityfed.org/education/entrepreneurship

Calendar of Events Dates (workshops, conferences and events you are hosting/sponsoring)

Please provide date, event title and web links to information:

Growing Entrepreneurial Communities Summit

Kansas City, May 4-5, \$100 registration (\$150 after March 1)

Hosted in collaboration with U.S. Sourcelink, Network Kansas, the Kauffman Foundation, the Lowe Foundation and the Center for Rural Entrepreneurship.

www.kansascityfed.org/events/2016/growing-entrepreneurial-communities-05-2016