

# 2008 N.C. Entrepreneurship Summit

Tuesday, February 26, 2008 • Greensboro Coliseum Complex



## DOORWAYS TO ENTREPRENEURIAL COMMUNITIES

### Agenda

- 7:30 AM **Registration / Light Breakfast**  
Mini-Expo (exhibit tables & entrepreneurial activity posters)
- 8:30 AM **Welcoming Remarks**  
Billy Ray Hall, President, NC Rural Center
- 8:45 AM **Summit Hosts – Agenda & Introductions**
- Allen Joines, Mayor, Winston-Salem
  - Victor Dau, Director, Randolph Community College Small Business Center
- 9:00 AM **Entrepreneur Keynote Address**  
Nido Qubein, President, HPU and serial entrepreneur
- 10:00 AM **Entrepreneurship Education Update**
- June St. Clair Atkinson, State Superintendent, NC Department of Public Instruction
  - Martin Lancaster, President, NC Community College System
  - Leslie Boney, Associate Vice President, The University of North Carolina
  - Hope Williams, President, NC Independent Colleges & Universities
- 10:30 AM **Business Capital Panel**  
Moderator: Larry Chavis, Lumbee Guaranty Bank
- Don Stewart, Rural Venture Fund
  - Tim Janke, Inception Micro Angel Funds (IMAF)
  - Rick Larson, Natural Capital Investment Fund (NCIF)
  - John Richert, NC Biotechnology Center (NCBC) Baton Program
- 11:00 AM **Regional Showcase**  
Hosts: Michael and Ramona Woods, Ashtae Products, Inc.
- 12:15 PM **Entrepreneurship Summit Luncheon**  
Invocation: Reverend Odell Cleveland
- Remarks on State Policy Support**
- Introduction by Jim Fain, Secretary, N.C. Department of Commerce
  - Honorable Margaret H. Dickson, N.C. House of Representatives, and Chair, House Standing Committee on Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- 1:30 PM **Creating Entrepreneurial Communities**  
Moderator: Erik Pages, EntreWorks Consulting
- Myrna Ballard, Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce, GA
  - Mark Burdette, Entrepreneurial League System, Charleston, WV
  - Della Clark, The Enterprise Center, Philadelphia, PA
  - Monica Doss, Council for Entrepreneurial Development (CED), NC
- 3:30 PM **Entrepreneurship Summit Recap / Announcements**
- 4:00 PM **“Unlock the Door” Awards Reception**
- Hop on the BUS! Awards
  - “Unlock the Door” prizes
  - Other recognitions
- 5:00 PM **Adjourn**