

Event Title: National WBC of Excellence Graduation and Closing Ceremony

Date: Friday, December 5, 2024

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. PT / 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. ET

Zoom Registration Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvf-ytrTsvHNO8EclECennx6zkPSZU-6d0>

Purpose: The Association of Women's Business Centers (AWBC) designates an organization as a "National Women's Business Center of Excellence" upon completion of a peer review and evaluation of excellence in service and outcomes for their clients, primarily women who seek to start or grow their businesses. AWBC is proud to celebrate the recognition of 34 Women's Business Centers that have completed the program. A closing/graduation ceremony will be held on December 5, 2024. Participants are able to invite a funder, advisory board member and/or a member of the leadership team to witness what benefit pursuing the WBC of Excellence designation has brought and will bring to your organization. There will also be opportunity to share something you have seen positive in your peer(s) and an opportunity for funders/advisory board and leadership team to share comments.

Run of Show:

Opening speaking points

- AWBC CEO, Corinne Goble
- Tentative SBA Leadership (TBA)

Program

- Each graduate attendee has the opportunity to summarize their promise/proclamation for 30-45 seconds.
 - WBCs will be introduced alphabetically by center name.
- Opportunity to share what you learned from your peer interaction and the series of modules and assignments.

Closing remarks

- Request for testimonials before wrapping up
 - What was your favorite part of participating in the program?

List of WBCs Graduating with inaugural WBC of Excellence designation:

1. ACE Women's Business Center - Savannah Region
2. Alaska Women's Business Center
3. Appalachian Highlands Women's Business Center
4. Central Valley Women's Entrepreneur Center
5. CFRA Women's Business Center(REAP WBC)
6. CWE New Hampshire Women's Business Center
7. Greater Wealth Works (EDGE) WBC
8. Greenwood Women's Business Center
9. Maryland Women's Business Center
10. MCSC Women's Business Center (San Luis Obispo, Monterey Counties)
11. Metro Women's Business Center

12. Missouri Women's Business Center at CMCA
13. New Growth Women's Business Center
14. NEW Women's Business Center
15. North Dakota Women's Business Center - East
16. Old Dominion University Women's Business Center
17. Rocky Mountain Women's Business Center
18. San Diego & Imperial Women's Business Center
19. The Patsy T. Mink Center for Business and Leadership WBC
20. The Urban League of Louisiana – Women's Business Resource Center
21. WBC at Cornerstone Alliance
22. WBC at True Access Capital - Wilmington
23. WBEA Women's Business Center
24. WESST Albuquerque WBC
25. WESST Las Cruces WBC
26. WESST Santa Fe WBC
27. West Virginia Women's Business Center - Charleston
28. Western Dairyland Women's Business Center
29. Women's Business Center at JEDI
30. Women's Business Center of Greater Cincinnati
31. Women's Business Center of Northern Ohio
32. Women's Business Center of the Triad
33. WomenVenture WBC
34. Wyoming Women's Business Center