

THE HIVE VB BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER

December 2025 Newsletter

The HIVE newsletter brings you the latest updates, resources and success stories from Virginia Beach's dynamic center for entrepreneurs and small business growth. For the latest, follow us on social media and at our [website](#).

SWaM Certification Business Partnership Networking Event

Join the Virginia APEX Accelerator and SodexoMagic on **December 11 at 1:00 P.M.** to learn about becoming a supplier for the State of Virginia and the available small business certifications for state/local government contracting opportunities. SWaM certification allows businesses an edge over the competition and allows for additional partnership opportunities with larger government contractors seeking subcontractors.

This event will conclude with a networking reception, including appetizers and beverages, providing participants with the opportunity to foster potential teaming and subcontracting relationships.

[Register Here](#)

Small Business Forum

Join the IRS on **December 16 at 10:00 A.M.** for a "Small Business Forum." This virtual session is designed to help small businesses and small business representatives navigate today's evolving tax and compliance landscape. This session will highlight the benefits of Business Tax Accounts and Individual Online Accounts. They'll also discuss small business-based Provisions of the One Big Beautiful Bill and an overview of the Executive Order of 14247 - Discontinuation of Checks.

[Register Here](#)

One-on-One Business Mentoring with SCORE at The HIVE

Need expert advice to grow your business? SCORE mentors are available at The HIVE every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Whether you're just starting out or looking to scale, SCORE's business mentors can help guide you through your next steps. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred to ensure you get the time and attention you need.

[Book a 1:1 Session](#)

FEATURED PARTNER



Old Dominion University Veterans Business Outreach Center (ODUVBOC)

The Old Dominion University Veterans Business Outreach Center (ODUVBOC) exists to provide entrepreneurial development services to eligible veterans who own or are considering starting a small business.

Supported in part by the US Small Business Administration (SBA), ODUVBOC has developed an extensive network of partners to assist with your business needs. As part of the Old Dominion University (ODU) Institute for Innovation & Entrepreneurship's (IIE), ODUVBOC's goal is to support the entrepreneurial efforts of veterans - promoting business innovation and strengthening the local economy.

[Learn More](#)

New Year, New Partnerships and Workshops at The HIVE!

As we close out 2025, we want to thank all of our incredible partners who've helped make this year impactful for The HIVE and the entrepreneurs we serve. Your expertise, time, and collaboration are what make this space thrive.

Looking ahead to 2026, we're excited to continue growing with you! If you're interested in hosting a workshop or exploring new ways to collaborate, please

complete our [HIVE Partner Request Form](#).

And don't forget to save the date for our Winter HIVE Partner Meet-Up on **January 29, 2026, from 5:30-7:30 P.M.** We'll share updates, preview upcoming initiatives, and connect on how we can elevate our collective impact in the new year.

[RSVP on Eventbrite](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS @ THE HIVE

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[Procurement Cafe: Doing Business with the City of Virginia Beach](#)

10 -11 AM

[Learn More](#)

DEC
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[SWaM Certification Business Partnership Networking Event](#)

1 - 3:30 PM

[Learn More](#)

DEC
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[Introduction to Federal Contracting and Inactive Proposal Lab - Building Smart Teams & Partnerships: Prime or Sub? Teaming Agreements, NDAs, and Strategic Partnerships](#)

9 - 11 AM

[Learn More](#)

DEC
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[Creative Capital: Innovative Funding Strategies for Modern Entrepreneurs](#)

11 AM - 12 PM

[Learn More](#)

DEC

[SWaM Certification Information Session](#)

10 AM - 12 PM

OTHER RESOURCES

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