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THE LEAGUE

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DEDICATED TO TODD C. GAINES, SR.



On 22 April 2008, the CSRA Business League, Inc. lost its longtime advocate for small business development, Mr. Todd C. Gaines, Sr., who served as the President/CEO of the League since assuming the role on 1 August 2001.

For seven years, "Todd" as he was known by many, was passionate about small business development. He worked endlessly and tirelessly to turn the dreams of others into reality.

As the League moves forward, we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge the life and legacy of one of Augusta's major advocates for community development, someone who gave his all and whose life was a testimony on service and a blessing to all who he met.

The League proudly dedicates the first issue of our newsletter since Todd's untimely passing to his life, legacy, passion and inspiration. We will always remember him as a drum major for minority business development in the CSRA.

We Want you to Join the League!

The CSRA Business League is looking for new members and inviting former members to come back home.

If you reside in Richmond, Burke, Columbia, McDuffie and Jefferson Counties in

Georgia or Aiken or Edgefield counties in South Carolina, we want you to join the CSRA Business League, Inc.

The Business League is here to assist you in releasing your entrepreneurial spirit and

turning your vision and dreams into reality.

Complete your application and become a member of the CSRA Business League, Inc. today.

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The CSRA Business League, Inc. has been “Serving our Community with Pride” since its founding in 1970. Our mission is to support and assist small, minority and disadvantaged businesses in their efforts to become successful and prosperous.

As a 501© 3 not for profit organization, we are dedicated to providing those we serve with modern strategies and services that gives the business owner the tools to maintain a thriving and successful small business.

Our goal is to serve as an information clearinghouse and referral source, in addition to providing networking opportunities and technology training for small, disadvantaged and minority owned businesses.



Since 1970 the
Business League
has served as a
Bridge to Small
Business
Success in the
CSRA

MEMBERSHIP FEES

STUDENT
\$25.00
NON-PROFIT
\$50.00
INDIVIDUAL/LLC
\$100.00
SMALL BUSINESS
\$150.00
MID-SIZE BUSINESS
\$300.00
LARGE BUSINESS
\$500.00

SERVICES

Application Assistance
Business Plan Development Assistance
Business Incorporation
Business Networking Meetings and Seminars
Computer Lab
Computer Training for Business Owners
Copying, Fax and Mail Services
Partnership Facilitation
Educational Business Seminars
Grant Research and Recommendations
Marketing & Advertising Assistance
Small Business Incubator Office Space
Technology Assistance and Resources

UPCOMING EVENTS

9 August 2008, 10:00 AM
Using Technology to be
Successful in the 21st Century
Mrs. Lisa Coleman, Presenter
E-Strong Solutions
Ma Fannies Restaurant

September 2008
Doing Business with the
Augusta Regional Airport
Mrs. Brenda Brown
DBE Coordinator