



Yamhill County Economic Development Newsletter

August 18, 2025

Business Information:

- Launch Mid-Valley Summer Road Trip-Coffee Club continues with a visit to Bad Dog Bakery and Summon Coffee in McMinnville on Tuesday August 19, 9-10am.
- Launch Mid-Valley's September 16th meeting will be at Mac Market in McMinnville, 9am-10am. You can RSVP [here](#).
- OEN is hosting an Entrepreneur Mixer at Spirit Mountain Casino on August 28th, 5-6:30pm. Here is [a link](#) to more information.
- The SBDC is offering Power Lunch: Prompting AI Chatbots on August 20th, 11:30-1pm at their Salem location (626 High St, NE, Salem, Room 106). Learn more and register [here](#).
- Ready, Set, Start Your Business, an online class designed to help you start your business. Hosted by the Chemeketa SBDC and online (no need to leave the comfort of your office or home) on August 27th, 3-4:30pm. You can learn more and register [here](#).
- The FOMC's (Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve) next meeting is in mid-September and a rate decision will be coming on September 17.
- Chemeketa offers a Small Business Management course, the first Thursday of each month, September – May, 9am-12noon, 626 High Street NE, Salem. Cost is \$750. You can add a key person from your business for \$250. You can learn more and register [here](#).
- WVMC, the City of McMinnville and Chemeketa are hosting an Emergency Preparedness event on Thursday August 21st, 10am-1pm at the Yamhill Valley Campus (288 NE Norton Lane, McMinnville). Supplies, information, and strategies will be shared with the public. Consider attending if you are from the public, in healthcare, a local agency, skilled facility, transportation entity, community volunteer, etc. If you would like to reserve a table to showcase your emergency preparedness resources, contact Jordan Davis at Jordan.davis2@mywvmc.com.

- Join OEN as they start their Angel Oregon Fall Cohort. Angel Oregon is OEN's signature capital literacy and investment readiness program designed for early-stage founders. If you are in the food, tech or life-bio science industry, consider [learning more](#) about this program.

Funding for your Business

- Grant News offered this article – [5 Steps for Grant Money](#).
- [Breva](#) offers a quarterly grant to small businesses making a difference in an underrepresented community. The next grant cycle opens October 1 and closes October 31. You can learn more [here](#).
- Chase Innovator Awards for 2025 are open (closing August 27th) is intended for restaurants and bars with innovative practices in sustainability, the environment, workforce support, community collaboration and more. You can learn more [here](#) and apply [here](#). Must be in the US, have a valid TIN/EIN, have 20 locations or less and less than \$13M in 2024 revenue, be in business at least 2 years, be owned by a legal US resident who agree to a background check, be in good standing with all tax and government authorities. Deadline is August 27, 2025.
- The McFarlane Foundation conducts grantmaking through proposals invited by the Executive Director and Trustees. The Foundation makes grants in two categories – Category one grants range from \$10k to \$75k and Category Two range from \$200k to \$250k. Grants are for supporting organizations addressing a range of issues including: education, economic empowerment, climate change, health and human services and the well-being of women and girls. You can learn more [here](#).
- Sunstate (Equipment) Foundation offers grants to charitable organizations impacting communities focusing on: disadvantaged children and adults, medical aid and research, housing assistance, domestic violence awareness and protection, military and veterans' assistance, care of abused/neglected animals. You can learn more [here](#) and apply [here](#).
- The Dan Paul Foundation provides grants to 501(c)3 organizations for programs that directly serve the health, education, development, and welfare of the world's youth. Grants range up to \$15k. You can learn more [here](#).

- Revolution Dance offers grants of \$500 to \$5k to studio owners for things like dance scholarships, curriculum, facility improvements and teacher education. The next round of grants opens in fall 2025. You can learn more [here](#).
- Banfield Foundation grant programs support animal welfare organizations working to provide veterinary care, shelter, and disaster relief to pets in need. Applicants must be a not for profit and run programs that deliver assistance to pets and their owners living in the US. You can learn more [here](#).
- AI Futures Fund (Google Labs) works with startups building next-gen AI products with Gemini models. Benefits include early access to AI models, Google expertise, equity funding, cloud credits and support. You can learn more [here](#).
- IMPACT Funding Solutions grant (\$1k) is a quarterly opportunity to facilitate a business' ability to make a meaningful impact through fostering innovation, sustainability, and social responsibility. You can learn more and apply [here](#).
- Cyber Grants Alliance has grant programs for small business and organizations to enhance cybersecurity gaps. You can learn about it and apply [here](#).