

8th Entrepreneur Summit to Feature Successful Business Owners and Experts

HOLLYWOOD, Fla., Sept. 5, 2019 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Returning for its eighth year, Hispanic Unity of Florida's 2019 Entrepreneur Summit (www.HUFESummit.org) is a day-long learning and networking event showcasing the diverse array of businesses that contribute to South Florida's economy.



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This year's event will be held on Friday, September 20 at Nova Southeastern University in the Carl DeSantis Building from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Breakfast starts at 7:30 a.m., followed by workshops throughout the day and an exhibitor area. The event features a much requested Master Class in the Art of Networking with Networking Guru, Heiko Dobrikow at 9:15 a.m.

The Keynote Address and American Dreamer Awards & Panel Discussion will be held at 10:45 a.m. with Keynote Speaker, Jim Ryan, Founder and CEO of OutPLEX (www.outplex.com) and Co-Founder, The Venture Mentoring Team.

Expected to draw between 300 and 400 attendees, the E-Summit provides emerging entrepreneurs and established business owners an opportunity to connect with other business owners and professionals interested in similar topics, learn from subject matter experts how to start and grow their

businesses, and receive insights and best strategies for success.

Attendees include a mix of entrepreneurs, Fortune 500 companies, economic development specialists, representatives from government agencies, small business experts, procurement officers, educational institutions, media and corporate partners, and others interested in entrepreneurship. The 8th Entrepreneur Summit is presented by Chase. Major sponsors include: JM Family Enterprises, Inc., Southeast Toyota Distributors, Nova Southeastern University, WSVN Channel 7 News, Memorial Healthcare System, and Wells Fargo. The event is produced by Hispanic Unity of Florida, Inc. (HUF) (<https://hispanicunity.org/>).

This year's keynote speaker, Jim Ryan, Founder and CEO of **OutPLEX** and Co-Founder of The Venture Mentoring Team will share his insights on being a serial entrepreneur and how to identify a great business mentor. The American Dreamer Awards & Panel Conversation, sponsored by JM Family Enterprises/Southeast Toyota Distributors, will be moderated by renowned journalist Tom Hudson of WRLN. This year's program includes **six workshops**, with two in Spanish.

The American Dreamer Award recipients are individuals recognized for their steadfast success, business acumen and community service.

The 2019 honorees include:

- Julia Harper, **TheraPeeds Family Center**
- Leni Ibarguengoytia, **ForSisters**
- Juliana Martinez & Efrain Martinez, **EM Professional Services**
- Gloria Martinez & Edmerson Vasquez, **Neo Broadband, Inc.**
- Maxeme "Max" Tuchman, **Caribu, Inc.**

Learn more about the speakers, moderator and honoree at <https://hufesummit.org/get-inspired-awardees>.

"Launching a new business or running a small business comes with many challenges," said Josie Bacallao, Hispanic Unity of Florida's President and CEO. "We are excited that we can bring together entrepreneurs and business professionals to collaborate, network, inspire and learn from each other. We have another exciting Summit this year, and a great lineup of speakers. The Entrepreneur Summit is the perfect opportunity to not only gain valuable information, but to make connections and develop your small business network with like-minded professionals."

Pricing: Complimentary sponsored admission (FREE).

Parking: Complimentary. Located in the garage directly across from NSU's Business School and the Carl DeSantis Building.

For general information: <http://www.hufesummit.org>

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About Hispanic Unity of Florida (HUF):

Hispanic Unity of Florida (HUF) is a non-profit founded 37 years ago by community leaders to ease the acculturation transition for newcomers from other nations. Today, HUF provides assistance through 12 programs and 30+ services in four languages to South Florida's diverse community. HUF, an UnidosUS Affiliate, is one of South Florida's largest agencies dedicated to the immigrant population, providing them with the tools they need to build a new life.

In 2018, the agency served more than 15,000 children and families. HUF offers assistance at four main office locations and provides extended services at 50+ outreach locations—including citizenship services at libraries, free tax preparation at mobile sites, and education services at public schools, among others.

Mission: Empowering immigrants and others to become self-sufficient, productive and civically engaged. For more information visit: <http://www.hispanicunity.org/> or call 954-964-8884, ext. 216.

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