

Chatham Business
Association

CHATHAM BUSINESS ASSOCIATION SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, INC.

“Sustaining Communities By Building One Business At A Time”

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The Chatham Business Association is a small business resource center that offers an array of customized services and programs designed to assist businesses with expansion and growth through economic development, strategic planning, technical training, business trend workshops, access to capital assistance, effective collaborative marketing programs and government certification.

Chatham Business Association is *“Sustaining Our Community By
Building One Business At A Time”*

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Chatham Business Association is to provide a viable and effective business association to enhance social, political, and economic growth within our community. Create opportunities, inroads and programs to benefit and ensure the prosperity, economic strength and excellence of service in Chatham and its surrounding communities.

The logo for the Chatham Business Association is a circular emblem. It features the text "Chatham Business Association" in a serif font, arched across the top. In the center, there is a stylized illustration of two hands shaking, symbolizing partnership or agreement. The entire logo is rendered in a light blue, semi-transparent watermark style.

HISTORY

Inspired by Growth, Pride and Support, prevalent in Chatham, several local businessmen formed the Chatham Business Association in 1972 in order to satisfy the Community's desire to invest in, nurture and protect the Chatham Community. The stated purpose was to *"band together to foster, create and explore those plans and programs that will ensure stability and growth of our business communities."*

CBA maintains a small business Development Center and Local Development Corporation, certified by the Small Business Administration, to assist area businesses in securing funds for acquisitions, expansion and renovation of business properties.

The Chatham Business Association proudly celebrates over 39 years of community excellent service and commitment to our members.

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PARTNERS

87th Street Chamber of Commerce

87th & Cottage Grove TIF Advisory Council

Auburn Highland Business & Professional Association

Business Economic Revitalization Association B.E.R.A.

Chatham-Avalon Park Community Council

Park Manor Improvement Association

West Chatham Improvement Association

FINANCIAL PARTNERS

Seaway National Bank

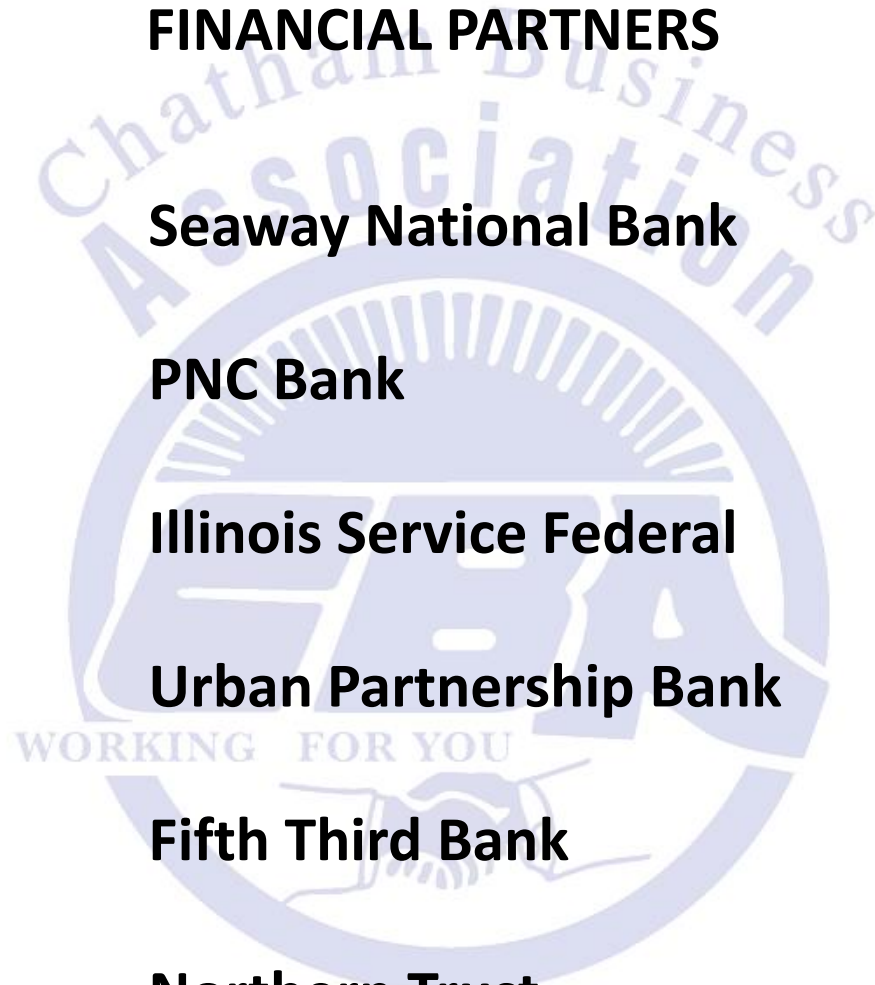
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COMMITTEES

ITT Tech Advantage Committee

Senator Mark Kirk's African American Advisory Board (AAAB)

Member of the Diversity Action Committee

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's City TIF Advisory Panel

City of Chicago's Minority Supplier Diversity Committee

CBA served on the City of Chicago's Small Business Advisory Committee, Lending Committee and Retail in Chicago (former Mayor Richard M. Daley.) As a member of those committees, CBA was instrumental in the passage of legislation that streamlined and revised the City of Chicago's business licensing process, and in expanding the amount of capital in the marketplace; made it easier for qualified small businesses to obtain loans.

MEMBER BENEFITS

Business Referrals/Development

Job Referrals

Business Seminars/Workshops

Quarterly Newsletter

**Resource Center for
workshops and Conferences
www.cbaccc.org**

Collaborative Marketing Programs

Business Concept and Development

Management Consulting Workshops

CBA Jr./Entrepreneur Mentoring

Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

**Collaborative Business Welcome
Program**

Monthly Informative Meetings

Business Networking Opportunities

Hiring and Training

Media and Public Relations

Loan Referrals

Research Recommendations

City of Chicago Delegate Agency

Quarterly Business Socials

Member to Member Discounts

SBA Community Lending TA Agency

Minority Certification MBE/WBE

Human Resource Training

Adult Literacy Program

Community Resource Center in Chatham

www.cbaccc.org

ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Location Negotiations for New Businesses**
- **Sub-Contractors Bonding and Financial Credit lines Negotiations**
- **Represented Manufacturers and Vendors with Major retailers for shelf space**
- **Employment Negotiations for Neighborhood Residents with Major Retailers**
- **Commercial Banking Negotiations using our Financial Partners**
- **CBA Juniors Entrepreneur Mentorship Program**
- **Community Clean-Up Program**
- **Adult Literacy Program “Between The Pages”**
- **Collaborative Business Welcome Program**
- **Negotiate Procurement Opportunities**
- **Negotiate Small Business Grants for Business Improvement**
- **Community Technology Center www.cbacc.org**
- **SSA Provider for Chatham Cottage Grove #51**
 - **SSA programs include Maintenance and Beautification, Debris and Snow Removal, and Marketing and Façade Enhancement (free architectural design assistance, free governmental liaison assistance, and free application support.)**



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