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News You Can Use:

Renewing the American Dream: Hispanic-Owned Businesses, An Engine of Job Creation and Exports-by Alejandra Castillo

- Minority-owned businesses, including Hispanic-owned businesses, are the backbone of our nation's economy and an engine of job creation and exports. Hispanic and other minority-owned businesses have been growing at a much faster pace and creating millions of jobs for Americans.
- Most recent data from the U.S. Census Bureau shows that there are 6 million minority-owned businesses, of which more than 2 million are Hispanic owned.
- Although employment declined by 1 percent among non-

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This Week

WQPT is featuring [special programs related to Hispanic issues](#), history and civil rights during Hispanic Heritage Month.

Casa Guanajuato, in partnership with GQCHCC, invites you to [Unemployment Insurance Workshop-Meeting Business Needs](#) on Thursday, September 22nd from 8-11:30 a.m.

minority-owned businesses between 2002 and 2007, it has continued to grow at a faster pace among minority- and Hispanic-owned firms -- by 24 percent in a wide variety of industry sectors, and gross receipts increased by 55 and 58 percent for minority- and Hispanic-owned firms respectively during that same period.

Find Out More

Renewing the American Dream: Hispanic Appointees Working to Win the Future-by Luis Miranda

- The President has appointed and nominated Hispanics at every level of his Administration, and across all agencies to do exactly that. More than 30 Hispanics work at the White House at every level.
- Hispanic appointees work on issues important to Hispanics and all Americans, from the economy and housing, to health care and education, to immigration reform and renewable energy. At the same time they also reflect the diversity of the Hispanic community, and stand as examples of the profound and positive influence the Hispanic community has had on our nation.

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Global Awareness Consulting invites you to [Women in Business](#) on Friday, September 23rd at New Venture Center from noon-1:15 p.m. This lunch and learn will discuss fighting discrimination against women.

LULAC invites you to ["Seaside" Floral Wreath Salute](#) honoring all branches of the U.S. Military on Friday, September 23rd at LeClaire Park, Davenport and Schwiebert Park, Rock Island beginning at 11 a.m.

Putnam Museum invites you to [Mi Casa Nueva: QC Mexican Heritage exhibit](#) opening Saturday, September 24th. Examine the contributions of Mexican-Americans to the Quad City Community.

LULAC invites you to [Mexican Independence Fiesta](#) on Saturday, September 24th from 6-11 p.m. Join us for the blessing and re-dedication of the LULAC building featuring Mariachi Luna y Sol. Tickets are \$35/each.

QC United invites you to [Unity Fest International](#) on Saturday, September 24th and Sunday, September 25th at the Putnam Museum. This event is FREE.

[The International Food & Wine Experience](#) will occur on Saturday, September 24th at the Putnam from 5:30-7:30 p.m. with live music from 7-11:15 p.m. The cost for food and wine is \$50/person.

Next Week

Women's Connection, in partnership with GQCHCC, invites you to [Owning Your Leadership-A Call to Action](#) with Marisa Rivera-Albert on Wednesday, September 28th at Jumer's Casino and Hotel, Rock Island from noon-1:15 p.m. Cost is \$15/WC Members and \$25/non-members.

Next Month

Casa Guanajuato is offering [Free Computer Classes](#) starting the week of October 4th. Class times vary. Space is limited.

Boys and Girls Clubs invite you to the [Steak & Burger Dinner](#) on Tuesday, October 4th at Jumer's Casino & Hotel starting at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$50/person.

Augustana College invites you to [Let's Talk College](#) on Thursday, October 6th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This program is designed to help students and their parents through the college search and admissions process.

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Blackhawk Shrine Club will host a [screening clinic](#) on October 8th at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Moline from 1-4 p.m. This clinic will identify children from birth-18 years of age for possible treatment at a Shriner's Hospital. Care is provided regardless of the patient's ability to pay.

Metro is teaming up with Quad Cities-area businesses through the [Get On Board program](#). To find out more, [email](#) Metro.

Public Service Announcements:

[Education Health Care Forum](#) will take place Thursday, September 22nd at St. John's Lutheran Church from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Join us in discussing the healthcare law and marketplace.

[Fight for the Kids Charity Event](#) will occur on Saturday, September 24th at the QCCA Expo Center from 7 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley.

[Minority Enterprise Development Week 2011](#) will be September 27th-30th. Join thousands of minority-owned firms across a variety of industries as they converge upon Washington, DC.

[Latino Youth Summit](#) will be Saturday, October 1st from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Black Hawk College. Open to all High School Students.

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Part time and full time listings!

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