

# 2024 SRMSDC EVENTS CALENDAR



EVENTS TIMELINE	ADDITIONAL INFO	DETAILS	LOCATION		
		DATE OF EVENT	HYBRID EVENT	ONLINE EVENT	IN-PERSON EVENT
<b>JANUARY</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	1/11/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doing Business with <b>Shipt</b> <i>**by invitation only**</i>	Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships with business owners as well as current & potential MBEs.	1/25/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	2/8/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A.G. Gaston Conference	The A.G Gaston Conference is an annual event aimed at fostering economic empowerment and wealth creation within the African American community. The conference features a series of engaging and informative sessions led by industry experts, successful entrepreneurs, and thought leaders. Discussions revolve around the strategies, tools, and resources required to generate sustainable wealth and improve economic mobility within the community. Each year, the conference provides much-needed inspiration and practical advice, underlining A.G Gaston's legacy of entrepreneurship and commitment to economic and social justice.	2/13 - 2/14/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>MARCH</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	3/14/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Half Past Six	Networking happy hour event featuring artists/performers from across the region, streamed live.	3/28/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

APRIL					
Southeastern Diversity & Leadership Conference	In partnership with SRMSDC, Legend Publishing will host a Mississippi-based diversity and leadership conference.	4/4 - 4/5/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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MAY					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	5/9/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Doing Business with <b>Ochsner Health</b> <i>**by invitation only**</i>	Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships with business owners as well as current & potential MBEs.	5/16/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
JUNE					
<b>**UPDATED**</b> Swing into Summer Golf Event	SRMSDC's annual spring golf matchmaker event has moved to summer, and will be held at English Turn Golf & Country Club in New Orleans, Louisiana.	6/6/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MBE Engagement Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	6/20/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
JULY					
Doing Business with <b>Protective Insurance</b>	Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships for MBEs	7/11/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AUGUST					
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SEPTEMBER					
MBE Engagement Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	9/12/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
OCTOBER					
MBE Engagement Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	10/10/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NMSDC National Convention	NMSDC National Conference hosted in Atlanta, GA	10/20 - 10/23/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

NOVEMBER					
Gateway Conference	GATEWAY is the Gulf South's premier annual business conference for corporations, government, nonprofits, and minority business enterprises. This two-day event draws hundreds from across the United States to Birmingham, Alabama providing a venue for thought-provoking discussions, relevant training, efficient matchmaking, and recognition of the region's first-in-class businesses.	11/13 - 11/14/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Half Past Six	Networking happy hour event featuring artists/performers from across the region, streamed live from Gateway	11/14/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Executive Roundtable	Monthly virtual roundtable with ethnic minority executives on various topics related to the future of small businesses, sustainability, and successful growth	11/21/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DECEMBER					
End of the Year Soiree	<b>**UPDATED!**</b> This year, SRMSDC is hosting its annual holiday reception in conjunction with WBEC South, in celebration of its 30th anniversary and in recognition of its significant efforts as one of SRMSDC's valuable resource partners.	12/4/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Doing Business With <i>Shipt</i>	Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships with business owners as well as current & potential MBEs	1/18/2024	X		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	2/8/2024		Zoom	
A.G. Gaston Conference (SRMSDC Cohost)	The A.G. Gaston Conference is an annual event aimed at fostering economic empowerment and wealth creation within the African American community. The conference features a series of engaging and informative sessions led by industry experts, successful entrepreneurs, and thought leaders. Discussions revolve around the strategies, tools, and resources required to generate sustainable wealth and improve economic mobility within the community. Each year, the conference provides much-needed inspiration and practical advice, underlining A.G. Gaston's legacy of entrepreneurship and commitment to economic and social justice.	2/13 - 2/14/2024			X
Executive Roundtable	Monthly virtual roundtable with Kirk Lewis, Keith Porta, Dr. Larry Crawford, Arthur Harrison, and John James	2/29/2024		Zoom	
<b>MARCH</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	3/14/2024		Zoom	
Swing Into Spring	SRMSDC's annual spring golf matchmaker event	3/28/2024			Audubon Park New Orleans, LA
Half Past Six	Networking happy hour event featuring artists/performers from across the region, streamed live	3/28/2024		Audubon Park (streaming)	
<b>APRIL</b>					
Southeastern Diversity & Leadership Conference (SRMSDC Cohost)	In partnership with SRMSDC, Legend Publishing will host a Mississippi-based diversity and leadership conference.	4/4 - 4/5/2024			X
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	4/11/2024		Zoom	
Environmental & Social Justice Forum - Q1	A standalone event focused on environmental & social justice. This event brings together environmentalists, social justice advocates, academics, and community members to discuss the intersectionality of environmental issues and social justice. Participants explore strategies to address systemic environmental injustice and its impact on marginalized communities. The discussions often highlight case studies, innovative solutions, and policy recommendations aimed at creating a more equitable and sustainable world. The forum serves as a platform for inspiring collective action and fostering a deeper understanding of the interconnectedness of environmental sustainability and social equality.	4/25/2024		Zoom	
<b>MAY</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	5/10/2024		Zoom	
B2C Summit	NEW!! A signature event designed to discuss changes and opportunities in the direct-to-consumer marketplace, and why creating environmentally and socially conscious products is important for today's consumers.	5/16/2024			Arkansas
Doing Business With <i>Corporate Member (TBD)</i>	Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships with business owners as well as current & potential MBEs	5/16/2024	X		
Half Past Six	Networking happy hour event featuring artists/performers from across the region, streamed live	5/16/2024		Zoom	
<b>JUNE</b>					

Diverse Transportation & Mobility Summit	A signature event designed to discuss changes and opportunities in the Transportation and Mobility Sectors, and the current issues surrounding sustainability	6/13/2024	Shipt Headquarters Birmingham, AL		
Executive Roundtable	Monthly Virtual Roundtable with Kirk Lewis, Keith Porta, Dr. Larry Crawford, Arthur Harrison, and John James	6/13/2024		Zoom	
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals.	6/20/2024		Zoom	
Environmental & Social Justice Forum - Q2	A standalone event focused on environmental & social justice. This event brings together environmentalists, social justice advocates, academics, and community members to discuss the intersectionality of environmental issues and social justice. Participants explore strategies to address systemic environmental injustice and its impact on marginalized communities. The discussions often highlight case studies, innovative solutions, and policy recommendations aimed at creating a more equitable and sustainable world. The forum serves as a platform for inspiring collective action and fostering a deeper understanding of the interconnectedness of environmental sustainability and social equality.	6/27/2024		X	
<b>JULY</b>					
Doing Business With <b>MS Band of Choctaw Indians</b>	NEW!! Outreach and training event, fostering new relationships between MBEs and MS Band of Choctaw Indians	7/11/2024		Zoom	
<b>AUGUST</b>					
Gateway Conference + Annual Awards Luncheon Reception Day 1/Full Day	GATEWAY is the Gulf South's premier annual business conference for corporations, government, nonprofits, and minority business enterprises. This two-day event draws hundreds from across the United States to New Orleans, Louisiana, providing a venue for thought-provoking discussions, relevant training, efficient matchmaking and recognition of the region's first-in-class businesses.	8/22/2024	New Orleans, LA		
Environmental & Social Justice Forum - Q3	Part of the Annual Gateway Conference, the Environmental & Social Justice Forum is a crucial component of the broader effort to address inequality and promote sustainability. This event brings together environmentalists, social justice advocates, academics, and community members to discuss the intersectionality of environmental issues and social justice. Participants explore strategies to address systemic environmental injustice and its impact on marginalized communities. The discussions often highlight case studies, innovative solutions, and policy recommendations to create a more equitable and sustainable world. The forum serves as a platform for inspiring collective action and fostering a deeper understanding of the interconnectedness of environmental sustainability and social equality.	8/23/2024	X	X	X
Gateway Conference Day 2/Half day	Breakout Sessions + Leadership Awards Luncheon and After-Conference Networking	8/23/2024	New Orleans, LA		
Half Past Six	Networking happy hour event featuring artists/performers from across the region, streamed live	8/23/2024	New Orleans, LA		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	9/12/2024		Zoom	
Pivot Week 2024	A week long event with informational/training sessions, matchmaking, business promotion, leadership-focused meetings designed to improve supply chain	9/23 - 9/26/2024	X		
<b>OCTOBER</b>					
Environmental & Social Justice Forum - Q4	A standalone event focused on environmental & social justice. This event brings together environmentalists, social justice advocates, academics, and community members to discuss the intersectionality of environmental issues and social justice. Participants explore strategies to address systemic environmental injustice and its impact on marginalized communities. The discussions often highlight case studies, innovative solutions, and policy recommendations aimed at creating a more equitable and sustainable world. The forum serves as a platform for inspiring collective action and fostering a deeper understanding of the interconnectedness of environmental sustainability and social equality.	10/3/2024		X	
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	10/10/2024		Zoom	
NMSDC National Convention	NMSDC National Conference hosted in Atlanta, GA	10/18 - 10/21/2024			Atlanta, GA

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Executive Roundtable	Monthly Virtual Roundtable with Kirk Lewis, Keith Porta, Dr. Larry Crawford, Arthur Harrison, and John James	11/21/2024		Zoom	
DECEMBER					
MBE Outreach Session	Designed to help guide new MBEs onto a path of success and help existing MBEs reach personal goals	12/5/2024		Zoom	
End of the Year Solree	Yearly wrap up and recap	12/12/2024	NOLA Office		



















