

BUILD. GROW. THRIVE. BEING HOSTED IN SURREY THIS SPRING

Vancouver, March 27, 2019: Build. Grow. Thrive. is coming to Surrey this spring.

Presented by Envision Financial, in partnership with Small Business BC, this **free**, full-day event is aimed at local entrepreneurs and small business owners looking to build, grow and thrive through education about B.C.'s leading business tools and resources.

Build. Grow. Thrive. will reach communities in the business hub of Surrey as well as the greater Lower Mainland area and the Fraser Valley. Taking place on May 1, 2019 at Surrey City Hall, the event will feature exhibits, panel discussions with local business leaders, practical workshops, and networking.

"We're so proud to partner with Small Business BC to host the Build. Grow. Thrive. Series in the City of Surrey," says Dave Lanphear, president of Envision Financial, a division of First West Credit Union. "Small businesses are the backbone of our communities in British Columbia and they play a pivotal role in driving our economy. At Envision Financial, we've proudly served the small business market for over 70 years and have a long-standing history of helping many small and medium-sized businesses succeed. A large part of this is due to the expert advice, service and products we offer to this specialized group, as well as our support of educational events like the Build. Grow. Thrive. Series that connects entrepreneurs to important resources to help them build and maintain strong and resilient businesses."

All local entrepreneurs, small business owners, and startups are encouraged to register for the event now and take advantage of this educational opportunity. Current panel discussions and speaking topics include:

- Financing Panel Presented by Envision Financial
- Employee Retention Fireside Chat Panel with Christina Stewart, Praxis Group
- Advanced Market Research Presented by Mark Eversfield, Small Business BC
- Growth, Locations & Scale TBD
- **Insurance Session** Presented by Jazz Binning, Sr. Commercial Insurance Advisor, Envision Insurance
- Mastering Social Media to Grow Your Small Business Presented by Mhairi Petrovic, Out-Smarts Marketing

To learn more and to register for this year's Build. Grow. Thrive event, please visit the following link:

Build. Grow. Thrive. Surrey City Hall Wednesday, May 1, 2019 http://sbbc.co/BGT2019 Seating for the speaking portion of the event is limited, so arrive early as capacity will be first come first served. Coffee and tea will be provided.

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About Small Business BC

Small Business BC provides entrepreneurs with the information and guidance necessary to build a solid foundation for their business. Through a wide range of products, services, education and resources there's a piece that fits with every business. No matter what stage or what skill level, when an entrepreneur finds themselves asking "How do I...?" Small Business BC is the one to call.

About Envision Financial

Envision Financial has a network of 21 branches and 16 insurance offices throughout British Columbia. It is a division of First West Credit Union. For eight straight years, Envision has been recognized as one of the 50 Best Employers in Canada by the Globe & Mail's Report on Business magazine. They offer a robust range of financial services for small business including everyday banking, financing and business insurance packages.