

Entrepreneurship: The Foundation for Economic Renewal in the Gulf Coast Region

An Invitation-Only Conference Monday and Tuesday, April 10-11, 2006

Wyndham New Orleans at Canal Place 100 Rue Iberville New Orleans, Louisiana

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. How can I register?

This conference is by invitation only. If you are interested in attending, please fax the registration form provided by email to Natalyn Tart-Jones at fax number (202) 481-0868. Natalyn can be reached at (202) 205-6181 and be email at Natalyn.Tart-Jones@sba.gov.

2. Is there a fee for the conference?

There is no fee for the conference. The bus tour, luncheon, and conference expenses are being generously underwritten by the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation.

3. What attire is suggested?

Business casual-be comfortable!

4. Where can I stay in New Orleans?

All conference sessions will be held at the Wyndham New Orleans at Canal Place, which is the recommended lodging site. Mention the Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, to obtain the participant room rate of \$149. Participants are responsible for transportation and lodging costs and it is recommended that reservations be made early. The individual call-in reservation number for the Wyndham Hotel is (877) 662-2625 (toll-free) or (504) 566-7006 locally. The reservation cut-off date is Monday, March 20, 2006. Guest rooms must be guaranteed by credit card or payment of one night's room and taxes received within 10 days of making the reservation. Cancellations may be made up to 72 hours prior to the arrival date.

Other hotels in the area include:

Sheraton New Orleans Hotel 500 Canal Street New Orleans, LA 504-525-2500 JW Marriott 614 Canal Street New Orleans, LA 504-525-6500 Astor Crowne Plaza French Quarter 739 Canal Street at Bourbon New Orleans, LA 504-962-0500

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