



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday Oct 21st

Proclamation Signing | 10:30 am- 11:00 am | Corner Brook City Hall (Chambers)

Businesses are invited to join Mayor Jim Parsons and members of the Small Business Week™ event organizing committee in signing a Proclamation declaring the official opening of BDC's Small Business Week™ 2024.

Starting a Home-Based Daycare Information Session | 11:00 am | Virtual Session

Are you ready to launch a rewarding career in childcare? This webinar brings together expert speakers: FCCC Recruiter, Olga Sullivan will share valuable insights on funding and support programs that help aspiring entrepreneurs begin their journey in the childcare industry. Lisa Vercillo, CIP, CRM, Child Care Insurance Expert will discuss the challenges of obtaining insurance for your childcare business and how to effectively communicate with your provider to ensure the right coverage. NLOWE Start-Up Advisor, Roshayne Mendis will introduce the resources and community support available to entrepreneurs through NLOWE, helping you build connections and grow your business. There will be time for Q&A following the session and of course, some fun giveaways throughout the event! Join from your device – register now to secure your spot! This session is perfect for anyone looking to start a childcare business. Learn, ask questions, and connect with experts who can help you succeed! Register Today: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtfuuvpzsjGNM178BCwYYsxl5BwJQ_xRRv

Tuesday Oct 22nd

Networking Coffee Break | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm | Holiday Inn, Deer Lake

Join us for a Networking Coffee Break in celebration of Small Business Week®. Update your professional headshot with our on-site photographer, then stick around for an interactive AI Workshop presented by Technotutors, a branch of the CSC. All this in celebration of small business week! RSVP to gfield@deerlake.ca. Sponsored by Navigate and the Greater Corner Brook Board of Trade.

Wednesday Oct 23rd

Navigate Coffee Break | 11:00 am- 12:30 am | Centre for Research & Innovation

Join us for coffee and snacks at the Centre for Research & Innovation and learn more about the many supports and opportunities available for aspiring entrepreneurs. Come network with the local entrepreneurial community! Free to attend, registration preferred at <https://share.hsforms.com/1LjT8NpBRQsOKaoEJNolkfwrzbzy>. Open to students at Grenfell Campus and CNA Corner Brook Campus, and the general public.

Adopting Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Business Operations | 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm | Centre for Research & Innovation

Unlock the potential of AI to elevate your business to the next level! Join us as we explore topics including understanding what is AI, what are its advantages, how to ethically integrate AI, master effective prompting techniques, and harness tools like Microsoft Co-pilot and ChatGPT for marketing, customer service, and more. Don't miss this chance to stay ahead in the AI revolution! Free to attend. Refreshments provided. To register, please visit: <https://share.hsforms.com/1zfF3gkbdTnWJgC02g0sOjQrbzyy>

Thursday Oct 24th

IPGS Coffee Break | 10:00 am – 11:30 am | Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills (1-3 Union Street-Corner Brook)

Join us in celebration of Small Business Week for a coffee and conversation networking event. This is a great opportunity to meet with fellow members of the business community and the staff at IPGS. Free to attend, no registration required. Refreshments will be provided.

Entrepreneur Coffee Break | 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm | Virtual

Hosted by Spicer Facilitation, this virtual Entrepreneur Coffee Break provides a great opportunity for folks to connect during Small Business Week®. The coffee break is a time for networking with members of a like-minded community. Special guest speaker is Lynn Kendall, MBA, CPA and the conversation will be about Cash Flow Management. This session is free to attend but registration is required. To register, please visit: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/d55a44e2-c91f-40d0-a00c-eac5fe38df4b@17cf9d50-b4fd-4f11-8a45-848053e42ef4>

GCBBT Business Excellence Awards Gala | 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm | Greenwood Inn & Suites

Come out and celebrate the achievements of our local small business community! This will be an exciting evening with a delicious meal, (cash) bar service, awards ceremony, entertainment, and a *Dessert Auction!

* **Dessert Auction** – Pool your cash with your tablemates - highest bidder gets first choice from our dessert table! Desserts will be donated from local businesses and community people with all proceeds going towards the Jose Lam Start-up Event. **Registration is required.** For further info: contact the GCBBT office at 634-5831 or email gcbbt2019@outlook.com. **The deadline for registration and/or cancellation with refund is noon, October 23rd.** Tickets: \$55 GCBBT Members or \$65 Future GCBBT Members. To register, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/gcbbt-business-excellence-awards-gala-2024-tickets-1038987980017>

Friday Oct 25th

Small Business Big Ideas Networking Coffee Break | 10:00 am- 11:30 am | Café 59

Join us in celebration of Small Business Week© for a coffee and conversation networking event. This is a great opportunity to meet with fellow members of the business community, renew old connections, and make new ones! Everyone is welcome to attend. No registration is required. Refreshments provided compliments of Town of Pasadena.

Small Business Networking Mixer | 4:30 pm- 6:30 pm | Park West

Join us for a casual business mixer to close out Small Business Week® 2024! This is a great opportunity to network with other members of the business community, renew old connections and make some new ones! Cash bar service, finger foods provided. Attendance is FREE, no registration required.