



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **CENTRAL VIRGINIA SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (CVSBDC) TO PRESENT MARCH BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS IN LOCUST GROVE**

Orange County, VA – The Orange County Economic Development Office, in collaboration with the Central Virginia Small Business Development Center (CVSBDC), Orange County Chamber of Commerce, and Orange Downtown Alliance is hosting three (3) FREE business development workshops in Locust Grove. *Let's Put Orange on the Map*, *How to Start a Business*, and 1-1 Counseling Sessions will be offered at The Twins of Germanna Office Park located at 4444 Germanna Highway, Suite 190B, Locust Grove, VA 22942 on March 23, 2016.

The *Let's Put Orange on the Map* workshop is a repeat of the January 27, 2016, workshop held in the Town of Orange. Based on numerous positive feedback and requests, it is being offered again and will be held March 23, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Locust Grove. All businesses are welcome to attend this *free* business event. Businesses planning to attend should bring their laptop for assistance with registering their business with Google. Representatives will be available for hands-on help and guidance with questions you may have enrolling. For those who wish to have a computer provided, please contact Rose Deal, Orange County Economic Development Assistant, at [rdeal@orangecountyva.gov](mailto:rdeal@orangecountyva.gov) or (540) 672-1238, in advance of the workshop.

The *How to Start a Business* workshop is being offered from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is targeted for those individuals interested in starting a small business or those who may have just started a business and have questions. Topics that will be reviewed will include; the steps to a successful start, the registrations and regulations, and the components of sound business planning, including financial projections.

In addition to the workshops being offered this day, FREE and confidential, 1-on-1 business counseling sessions are available for those seeking feedback and advice from an experienced business advisor. Please call the CVSBDC at (434) 295-8198 to schedule your appointment in Locust Grove on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, or in Charlottesville any other date.

Although these workshops are FREE to all local businesses, space is limited. To ensure a seat, businesses can pre-register online for 1, 2 or all 3 of the events at [www.cvsbdc.org/workshops](http://www.cvsbdc.org/workshops) or by phone at (434) 295-8198.

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