

News Release

Registration Open for Bridging Communities Conference

Event on June 6 seeks to empower nonprofit organizations to achieve sustainability with resources and solutions

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (May 24, 2024) — Registration is now open for the inaugural **Bridging Communities Conference**, which will be held on June 6, 2024, at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC). The conference is hosted by a coalition of state government agencies and community-building organizations, including [Maryland Nonprofits](#), the [Governor's Office of Community Initiatives](#), the [Office of the Comptroller](#), the [United Way of Central Maryland](#), and [Health LeadHer](#).

The theme for this year's conference is Nonprofits and Government Working Together, and sessions will focus on collaborative solutions to address challenges facing community-based nonprofit organizations, including sustainability, and enhancing operations. Sessions are designed to foster meaningful connections, provide technical support, and empower nonprofits to better serve Marylanders and support thriving, resilient, and prosperous communities. Attendees will gain vital insights into a range of topics, including accessing government resources, grant writing, financial management, strategic planning, and program evaluation.

Maryland Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman, and Laura Bacon, founder of [The 3rd](#), a nonprofit supporting women of color in entrepreneurship, will provide keynote remarks.

Conference Details

What: Inaugural Bridging Communities Nonprofit Conference

When: June 6, 2024, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Where:

University of Maryland Baltimore County

The University Center, Third Floor Ballroom

University Ballroom & Adjoining Rooms ([Campus Map](#))

Who:

- Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman
- Secretary of Service and Civic Engagement Paul Monteiro
- Franklyn Baker, President and CEO, United Way of Central Maryland
- Heather Iliff, President and CEO, Maryland Nonprofits
- Laura Bacon, Founder, The 3rd

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