



## 2025 WESTERN NC REGIONAL NETWORKING LUNCHEON ATTENDEE LIST

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RSVP	TITLE	FIRST	LAST	JOB TITLE	ORGANIZATION	CITY	STATE
1		Erica	Anderson	Director Economic & Community Development	Land of Sky Regional Council	Asheville	NC
1		John	Anglin	Business Development Manager	Branch Group	Burnsville	NC
1		Keevon	Baten	Director of Business Recruitment	Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1		Mark	Biberdorf	Town Manager	Town of Fletcher	Fletcher	NC
1		Diana	Blackett	Workforce Partnership Specialist	Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1		Ashley	Bolick	Director	Caldwell County Economic Development Commission	Lenoir	NC
1		Brittany	Brady	President	Henderson County Partnership for Economic Development	Hendersonville	NC
1		Dale	Carroll	Partner	Sanford Holshouser Economic Development Consulting	Asheville	NC
1	The Hon	Larry	Chapman	Commissioner	Transylvania County Board of Commissioners	Brevard	NC
1		Scott	Childers	Headquarters Region Executive	ESP Associates	Fort Mill	SC
1		Drew	Christy		Governor's Recovery Office for Western North Carolina	Raleigh	NC
1		Olivia	Collier	Director, Regional Development Commissions	NC Department of Commerce	Raleigh	NC
1	The Hon	Kevin	Corbin	Senator	NC General Assembly	Raleigh	NC
1		Richard	Cuebas	Principal	Integra Design Group	Charlotte	NC



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1		Barbara	Darby	Assistant Workforce Director/ Regional Business Services Coordinator	Mountain Area Workforce Development Board	Asheville	NC
1		Kathleen	de la Torre	Assistant Vice Chancellor	Western Carolina University	Cullowhee	NC
1		Liz	Dobbins-Smith	Managing Director	NCEDA	Brevard	NC
1		Clark	Duncan	Executive Director	Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1	The Hon	Amanda	Edwards	Chair	Buncombe County Board of Commissioners	Asheville	NC
1		Matthew	Fogleman	Vice President / Branch Manager	ECS Southeast	Asheville	NC
1		David	Francis	Director	Haywood County Economic Development Council	Waynesville	NC
1		Vanesa	Garcia Nuñez	Business Solutions Officer	Carolina Small Business Development Fund	Dallas	NC
1		Caleb	Gardner	Marketing/Staff Coordinator	Burke Development Inc.	Morganton	NC
1		Dan	Gerlach	Owner	Dan Gerlach LLC	Raleigh	NC
1		Austin	Greenhalge	Senior Project Manager	SeamonWhiteside	Greenville	SC
1		Chris	Grubb	Director, Planning and Development	High Country Council of Governments	Boone	NC
1		Scott	Hamilton	President & CEO	Golden LEAF Foundation	Rocky Mount	NC
1		Russ	Harris	Executive Director	Southwestern Commission	Sylva	NC



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1		Eli	Hashemi	Business Retention and Expansion Coordinator	MountainWest Partnership	Sylva	NC
1		Alan	Hewett	Director of Business Development	Alliance Consulting Engineers	Greenville	SC
1		Burton	Hodges	Executive Director	Transylvania Economic Alliance	Brevard	NC
1		Amy	Holloway	CEO	Aha! Advisors	Asheville	NC
1		Hope	Hopkins	Director Business Retention Expansion	Burke Development Inc.	Morganton	NC
1		Steve	Hunting	Board Chairman	Transylvania Economic Alliance	Brevard	NC
1		Jesse	Jacobson	Director of Technical Services	Bunnell Lammons Engineering	Fletcher	NC
1		Hunter	Jones	Senior Outreach Analyst	Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond	Charlotte	NC
1		Desiree	Kennedy	Program Officer	Governor's Recovery Office for Western North Carolina	Raleigh	NC
1		Jordan	Kinser	Program Associate	Dogwood Health Trust	Asheville	NC
1		Miles	Kish	NCEDA Foundation Fellow	Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1		Laura	Leatherwood	President	Blue Ridge Community College	Flat Rock	NC
1		Andre	Lennon	Group Manager	ESP Associates	Charlotte	NC
1		Geoffrey	Lewis	Business Development	GEL Engineering	Raleigh	NC



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1	The Hon	Lee	Lilley	Secretary	NC Department of Commerce	Raleigh	NC
1		Sara	Maddox	Senior Manager, Valuation	DMJPS	Asheville	NC
1		Rip	Major	Business Development	Harper General Contractors	Asheville	NC
1		Caleb	Martin	Senior Consultant	Applied Building Sciences	Charlotte	NC
1		Emily	Martin	Director of Business Development	Henderson County Partnership for Economic Development	Hendersonville	NC
1		Matthew	McKirahan	Town Manager	Town of Mills River	Mills River	NC
1		Jamie	McMahan	Board Member	Dogwood Health Trust	Weaverville	NC
1		Julie	Miller Denesha	Director of Development & Corporate Partnerships	Western Carolina University	Cullowhee	NC
1		Caleb	Parsons	Research Analyst	Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1		Raul	Peralta	Senior Vice President	ECS Southeast	Greensboro	NC
1		Garrett	Pittman	Business Development	Bunnell Lammons Engineering	Fletcher	NC
1		Ford	Porter	Director	KPMG	Raleigh	NC
1		Julie	Pruett	Development Manager	Marlboro Development Team	Spartanburg	SC
1		Emily	Quinlan	Program Director	NC Department of Commerce	Raleigh	NC



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1		Nathan	Ramsey	Executive Director	Land of Sky Regional Council	Asheville	NC
1		April	Riddle	Western Existing Industry Expansion Manager	EDPNC	Raleigh	NC
1		Bill	Roberts	Manager, Economic Development	Duke Energy	Hickory	NC
1		Julie	Roper	Economic Development & Local Government Manager	Enbridge Gas of North Carolina	Gastonia	NC
1		Adam	Safer	Director of Economic Development Policy	Carolina Small Business Development Fund	Hendersonville	NC
1		Adrian	Savic		KPMG	Raleigh	NC
1		Hillary	Sherman	NC Economic Development Representative	Economic Development Administration	Atlanta	GA
1		Bill	Slagle	Director, Statewide and Northwest Existing Industry Expansions	EDPNC	Spruce Pine	NC
1		Jonathan	Snover	Executive Director, Western Region	NC Biotechnology Center	RTP	NC
1		Reginald	Speight	Assistant Secretary	NC Department of Commerce	Raleigh	NC
1		Mark	Sternal	Business Services Manager	Mountain Area Workforce Development Board	Asheville	NC
1		Ashley	Swanger	Director of Industry Services	Economic Development Coalition for Asheville-Buncombe County	Asheville	NC
1		Sarah	Thompson	Vice President of Impact	Dogwood Health Trust	Asheville	NC
1		Solange	Tricanowicz	Business Recruitment Manager	EDPNC	Raleigh	NC



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1		Tatyana	Veres		NC Department of Commerce	Raleigh	NC
1		Jonathan	Watkins	Regional Business Development Manager	McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture	Asheville	NC
1		Brian	White	Regional Project Manager Economic Development	Land of Sky Regional Council	Asheville	NC
1		Hannah	White	Community and Economic Development Project Manager	Haywood County	Cullowhee	NC
1		Philip	Williams	Senior Vice President of Industrial Development	Carroll Industrial Development	Greensboro	NC
1		Alan	Wood	President and CEO	Burke Development Inc.	Morganton	NC
1		Michael	Worley	Director	Alexander County Economic Development Corporation	Taylorsville	NC
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