

## **PATHWAYS**

## TO PROSPERITY:

Supporting Small and Emerging Businesses



## 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT GRAND RIVER HOSPITAL CONFERENCE CENTER 501 AIRPORT ROAD, RIFLE, CO 81650

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2024** 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

9:00 - 9:05Welcome: Embarking on Our Journey to Success

Cody Davis, AGNC Chairman & Alicia Gresley, CRVEDP Director

**Economic Update: Mapping the Economic Terrain of Northwest Colorado** 

Nathan Perry, Ph.D. - Colorado Mesa University, Professor of Economics

10:35 - 10:5520 Minute BREAK

10:55 - 11:25**Navigating State Programs for Business Success** 

Che Sheehan – Office of Economic Development & International Trade (OEDIT), Program Manager

11:25 - 11:55Capital Access: Paving the Way for Business Growth

Tanya Perea Doose – First Southwest Community Fund

Helen Roe - Grand Junction Business Loan Fund, Program Director

11:55 - 12:55**Networking Lunch: Crossroads of Opportunity** 

12:55 - 1:25**Guiding Comprehensive Growth: CHFA's Financial Tools** 

- Margie Joy CHFA Community Relationship Manager
- Terrance Grady CHFA Commercial Loan Officer

1:25 - 1:55Finding Your Business Path: SBDC's Expert Consulting

1:55 - 2:15 20 Minute BREAK

Thank you to our Sponsors:

2:15 - 2:45**Incubating Success: How Business Incubators Empower Entrepreneurs** 

Dalida Sassoon Bolig - Grand Junction Business Incubator Center, Chief Executive Officer

2:45 - 3:00









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Speaker Biographies

Erin McCuskey - Northwest SBDC, Director

Reflecting on Our Journey: Achieving Success Together

Tiffany Dickenson - AGNC Executive Director