## DOWNTOWN DIGEST





#### **EARTH IN A NEST**

Earth in a Nest was developed to identify Eco-Age friendly community businesses following the principles outlined by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the Global Compact Network.

Together we can represent a collective power to create change in our community. Small business can be a catalyst for a culture shift, with access to the customer base with whom to share their Eco-Age friendly best practices.

The result can be substantial cost savings, increased revenue, happier (senior) customers and environmental sustainability. Businesses that understand and respond to the needs of all people in their community are also more likely to inspire customer loyalty, and to remain sustainable through economic fluctuations.

We feel that most businesses and services want to be age and earth-friendly and aspire to caring, and kind service to their customers. Small business can also be the conduit for sustainable change by adopting earth friendly practices and passing them on to their patrons. It's a win-win for our customers and the planet.

This is an invitation for local businesses to gather, to share stories and ideas with each other, to make good change happen from the insideout. Please register your business or organization <u>HERE</u>, so that we can list your service on our <u>website</u> as an 'Earth in a Nest' business.

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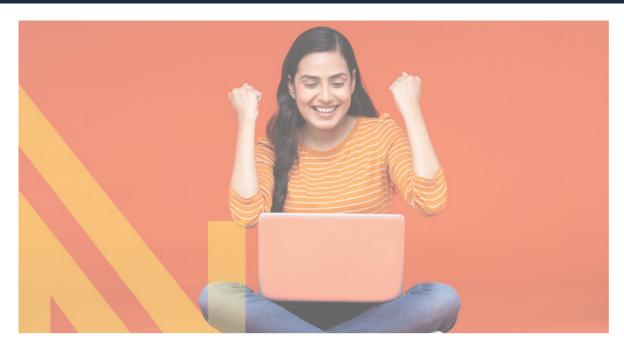
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#### **CONTACT NORTH - START LEARNING NOW!**

# **Start learning NOW**

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#### CREATIVE SECTOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Business Centre is cohosting with Creative Industries and Accurate Business Solutions. The series is called Passion for Profit: Professional Development for Creatives. It will be 3 workshops on March 23rd, 30th, and April 6th from 10AM to 11:30AM.



Limited spots available. Register today!





| Beautification & Safety Committee Meeting | , | Promotions & Marketing<br>Committee Meeting |
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| Tuesday, March 22nd<br>8:15am on Zoom     | d | Wednesday, March 9th<br>8am on Zoom         |

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE AN AUTOMATIC INVITATION TO THESE MEETINGS.



#### IT'S TIME TO START HIRING FOR SUMMER!



Get Started Now.

To register for the program, and get on the path to a stress-free summer, download our registration form below, and send directly to Jodi, at Jodi.McCabe@yesnorthbay.com





#### MULTI-USE COURTS ARE SET TO OPEN IN THE SPRING

It's exciting that Spring is coming, not just for warmer weather and less shovelling, but also for the opening of the City's new multi-use courts. The courts are located behind the North Bay Transit station on Oak East.

The courts will bring more people to Downtown, so make sure to invite them to come and check out your business while they're down here. It also offers you some news post ideas for your social media, people will get hungry, thirsty...maybe friends will want to shop while some of their group hits the courts.

|   | GARBAGE PICK UP  | CARDBOARD PICK UP   |
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|   | Every Tuesday & Friday morning.  | Weekly on Friday morning.   |
| ) | Please hold off on putting garbage bags<br>out until after 5pm Monday and<br>Thursday. | Please hold off on putting your cardboard out for pick up until after 5pm on Thursday evenings. |







### **GROWING DOWNTOWN (GCIP)**



**INFORMATION SHEET** 





IMPORTANT NOTE: You must apply for GCIP grants, and and get approval prior to doing any work on your project.

## Download the Downtown incentive program brochure here.

More information? 1.800.465.1882 ext. 2414 • growthcip@cityofnorthbay.ca

This newsletter is all for you so, naturally, I'd love your input!

<u>Drop me a line</u> and let me know what you'd like to see and read.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Cheers, Amber



"Whoever said money can't buy happiness didn't know where to shop."

-Anonymous