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County Offers Free Bonding Education Workshop to Small and Disadvantaged Business Owners, August 10

[Charleston County Government](#) announces a free workshop for small and disadvantaged business owners on Wednesday, August 10. The workshop will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building located at 4045 Bridge View Drive in North Charleston.

The workshop is being hosted by Charleston County's [Disadvantaged Business Enterprise](#) and [Small Business Enterprise](#) programs under the Charleston County Procurement Department.

John Hughes of Construction Bonds, Inc. in Herdon, Va. will be the main speaker at the workshop. Paul Thomas, representing the Small Business Administration (SBA), will also be in attendance to provide information and to answer questions regarding SBA bonding procedures.

The purpose of the workshop is to help educate business customers about the different types of bonding, explain where to acquire it, and discuss the process of how it is obtained.

Those attending the workshop will have the opportunity to:

- Learn the requirements for bonding
- Learn how to navigate through the bonding process
- Learn the various types of bonding
- Obtain information regarding free business counseling
- Learn about upcoming contract opportunities with Charleston County Government
- And more!

Space is limited, so those wishing to attend must sign up in advance by contacting:

- Herbert Bodison, Jr. by phone at (843) 958-4768 or by email at hbodison@charlestoncounty.org, or
- LaZana Porter by phone at (843) 958-4769 or by email at lporter@charlestoncounty.org.

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