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### **SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING FAIR**

U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen is hosting a Small Business Financing Fair on the morning of Monday, June 29, at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester. The fair will provide New Hampshire's current and prospective small business owners an opportunity to meet directly with more than 40 vendors, including 16 banks and lenders, who can help guide them through the process of obtaining financing for their businesses. Pre-registration is required. Register online at <http://shaheen.senate.gov/services/rsvp>.

Read more at [http://www.bcedc.org/new\\_events\\_events.asp](http://www.bcedc.org/new_events_events.asp)

### **CEDS APPROVAL IMMINENT, CALL FOR PROJECTS**

The completed *Lakes Region Plan for Sustainable Progress*, A Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), soon will receive approval from the U.S. Economic Development Administration. EDA grants support programs to create or retain full-time permanent jobs, reduce unemployment and under-employment, and increase incomes in areas of economic distress. As annual review of CEDS goals and objectives is on-going, the CEDS Committee is again reaching out for projects. To submit a project, please call Kimon Koulet at Lakes Region Planning Commission, 279-8171, or Jennifer Boulanger at BCEDC, 524-3057.

### **NHES OFFERS FREE EMPLOYER SEMINAR ON JULY 7**

NH Employment Security's new Unemployment Insurance System will be online in August. One of the many advantages of the new system is the increased efficiency of processing unemployment insurance claims. NHES will offer a free employer informational seminar in Laconia on July 7. Information presented will include employer registration, maintaining account information, viewing benefit charge statements, reporting potential claimant eligibility issues, downloading files, and corresponding with NH Employment Security online. For more information, please contact Colleen Gould at 528-9310 or [colleen.f.gould@nhes.nh.gov](mailto:colleen.f.gould@nhes.nh.gov).

### **BARNSTEAD WINS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPROVAL**

On June 17, New Hampshire Governor John Lynch and the Executive Council approved a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant for the Town of Barnstead from the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority. BCEDC, a sub-recipient of the grant, will provide financing to Lakes Region Pellets, LLC to redevelop the TIMCO facility to a wood pellet manufacturing plant. The project includes the creation of more than two dozen jobs. Read more at [http://www.bcedc.org/new\\_events\\_latest.asp](http://www.bcedc.org/new_events_latest.asp)