



ENERGIZING ENTREPRENEURIAL COMMUNITIES

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Lincoln County offers new opportunities for entrepreneurs



Attendees at "Paint Your Heart Out" workshop presented by Lincoln County Friends of the Art last year ([via Facebook](#))

Two community projects supported by The Hub’s Energizing Entrepreneurial Communities program in Lincoln County promise to offer some encouraging resources to community members this spring and summer. Members of Lincoln County Taking Flight, the E-Communities team based in the area, and Lincoln County Friends of the Arts are helping to facilitate a series of small business resource meet-ups for local business owners and a series of Etsy workshops for local artists.

First, throughout May, the E-Communities team will host five small business resource meet-ups in communities throughout Lincoln County. At these events, attendees can seek advice from small business experts who can



help with non-traditional funding, business planning, manufacturing, business coaching, marketing, financial planning, real estate, and more.

All events are free and open to the public and will provide free meals from Carnivore BBQ. See below for dates and details.

Saturday, May 4th, 11 am – 3 pm
Big Ugly Community Center
Harts, WV

Tuesday, May 21st, 6 – 8 pm
Hamlin-Lincoln Co. Public Library
Hamlin, WV

Tuesday, May 7th, 6 – 8 pm
West Hamlin Volunteer Fire Department
West Hamlin, WV

Tuesday, May 28th, 6 – 8 pm
Duval District Volunteer Fire Department
Griffithsville, WV

Tuesday, May 14th, 6 – 8 pm
McCorkle Community Center
Sumerco, WV

In June, Lincoln County Friends of the Arts will host four Etsy workshops to help artists turn their hobbies into their own small businesses. Each workshop will feature a different theme to help attendees learn to build and grow their Etsy shops and will be presented by experts in each field.

Workshop topics include Etsy basics, product photography, pricing and sales, and branding and marketing. After the workshops, the Friends of the Arts plan to provide Etsy services to community members, including photographing and listing their products. Product photo sessions will be held in July.

See below for scheduled events. More will be announced soon!

Thursday, June 6th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
Etsy Basics with Kelsi Boyd of Silver Market Co.

Saturday, June 15th, 12:00 – 1:30 pm
Product Photography with Shayla Owens of Shayla Owens Photography

To be notified of more workshops dates, subscribe to the Lincoln County Friends of the Arts newsletter [here](#).

