

About CUE

The mission of the Center for Urban Entrepreneurship (CUE) at Pioneer Institute is to increase the wealth-creating potential of low- and moderate-income urban entrepreneurs in Massachusetts. The Center works to strengthen the private and public networks of support available to these entrepreneurs and shape public policy to facilitate the start-up and growth of businesses. CUE pursues its mission by:

- Helping public and non-profit agencies employ effective approaches to supporting entrepreneurship among low-income urban residents.
- Conducting research on early-stage urban business development in Massachusetts and disseminating information to the public.
- Working with government to minimize regulatory and administrative barriers to business development and growth by low-income entrepreneurs.
- Encouraging greater private sector involvement in the start-up and growth of businesses by low-income residents.

For more information, visit the center's website:
<http://www.pioneerinstitute.org/entre>

Directions - Federal Reserve Bank

The Federal Reserve Bank of Boston is best reached by public transportation. By subway, take the Red Line to the South Station stop. The Bank is the tall silver building located at the corner of Summer Street and Atlantic Avenue.

Since the Bank is adjacent to South Station, it is also convenient to commuter rail lines terminating at South Station. For commuter lines to North Station, take the inbound MBTA Green Line train to Park Street, switch to the Red Line and get off at the South Station stop.

By vehicle, take I-93 (north or south) to the Chinatown exit; from the Mass. Pike, take the South Station exit. No parking is available at the Bank; there is limited on-street metered parking. Nearby private parking garages are a 5-10 minute walk to the Bank.

Detailed directions are available online at:
<http://www.bos.frb.org/about/html/directio.htm>



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- 8:30 – 9:00** **OPENING**
Stephen Adams, Executive Director/CUE Director, Pioneer Institute for Public Policy Research
Marilyn Weekes, Assistant Vice President/Community Affairs Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
Jay Kayne, Vice President, Community and Policy, Kauffman Foundation
- 9:00–10:00** **PANEL ONE – Supporting Inner-City Entrepreneurship: CBOs' Perspectives**
Evelyn Friedman, Executive Director, Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation
Joseph Kriesberg, Executive Director, Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations
Elaine Edgcomb, Director, Microenterprise Fund for Innovation, Effectiveness, Learning and Dissemination, Aspen Institute
- 10:00-11:00** **PANEL TWO – Next Steps in Inner-City Business Development: Funders' Perspectives**
Pedro Arce, Vice President of Community Development, BankNorth
Angel Bermudez, Director of Grantmaking, Boston Foundation
Barbara Manning, Regional Advocate, Small Business Administration
- 11:00-11:55** **ROUNDTABLE – Tying It Together: Views from CBOs and Funders**
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Robert Holmes, Jr., Trustee, Mabel Louise Riley Foundation
Jay Kayne, Vice President, Community and Policy, Kauffman Foundation
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Joseph Kriesberg, Executive Director, Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations
Matthew Thall, Senior Program Director, Local Initiatives Support Corporation–Boston
- 11:55-12:00** **CLOSING REMARKS – Stephen Adams**, Pioneer Institute
- 12:00-1:00** **NETWORKING LUNCH**

Pioneer Institute gratefully acknowledges the support of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston in organizing this conference.

Conference Overview

Over the last decade, community-based organizations in Massachusetts and their financial supporters have gained significant experience in providing support to low- and moderate-income urban entrepreneurs.

However, there is little consensus regarding the most effective approaches to fostering entrepreneurship. What's working? What's not? How can collaboration be improved to serve entrepreneurs better?

This morning conference offers community-based business assistance providers and their funders an opportunity to share experiences and perspectives on the best ways to promote business creation and growth in low-income urban areas.

- **Hear from panels of experts in the field.**
- **Join in a roundtable discussion with your own questions.**
- **Mix and mingle during an hour-long luncheon with the panelists and other attendees.**

Registration Information

To attend, please register by Thursday, October 10.

Register online at:
<http://www.pioneerinstitute.org/events>

You may also call Pioneer Institute at 617-723-2277.

There is no charge for the conference.

For more information about the conference or CUE, contact Alla Yakovlev at 617-723-2277 or ayakovlev@pioneerinstitute.org