

Press Release

DHL TO RECOGNIZE SMALL-BUSINESS EQUITY AWARD RECIPIENTS IN MIAMI

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Seven Local Business Owners Receive Second Distribution of DHL Grants to Promote Microenterprise Development

DHL, the world's leading global express delivery and logistics company, will recognize the recipients of cash grants distributed in the form of seven DHL equity awards to Micro-Business, USA on Wednesday, June 14, 2006. The event marks the second phase of the "DHL Advancing Micro-Entrepreneurs" business development partnership with the Association for Enterprise Opportunity (AEO), the national microenterprise development trade and membership association.

DHL is working with the Miami-based AEO affiliate, Micro-Business, USA, an organization that provides support to strengthen micro businesses and home ownership in low-income communities by providing much-needed access to credit, business and financial literacy training, as well as peer support to small businesses. Micro-Business, USA held a contest in March and April this year to determine the DHL award recipients.

The DHL Advancing Micro-Entrepreneurs program, now in its second year with AEO, provides financial awards and pre-paid DHL ShipReady shipping products designed to assist underserved microentrepreneurs in the development of their businesses and provides practical assistance to low and moderate income microenterprises, enabling them to strengthen their shipping functions. The program started last year with recipients in South Florida, Houston and Phoenix and expanded this year to include Louisiana, Georgia, New York, Virginia and Washington State.

"We've heard and seen numerous DHL/AEO program success stories about last year's microbusiness grant recipients who have used their equity awards to increase their business by purchasing equipment, inventory and investing in software," said Miltoria Fordham, chief executive officer of Micro-Business, USA.

"At DHL, we've made a commitment to addressing the needs of small- to mid-sized businesses," said Kelly Keogh, director of corporate citizenship, DHL.

"The success of entrepreneurs in markets such as Houston, South Florida and Phoenix proved beyond any doubt that we've focused our efforts in the right place. Given the opportunity, our partnership with Micro-Business, USA and their Community Partner the Carrie P. Meek Center for Business in Homestead, Executive Director Hilda Hall and the grant recipients in the Miami area should also yield increased business and profits for participants." Carrie P. Meek Business Center's mission is to help accelerate the success of technology-based, small businesses by providing affordable space and shared office services.

A hands-on DHL employee volunteer project incorporated into the program also gives DHL employees the opportunity to make personal professional service contributions to selected area

microentrepreneurs. As part of the "DHL Cares Day" initiative, DHL volunteers will provide Miami-area microbusinesses hands-on guidance on any number of issues related to small businesses, including shipping and distribution and customer service.

An awards ceremony and Micro-Business, USA Fair will be held at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, located at 111 NW 1st Street on June 14 at 4 p.m. The public is invited to the Fair from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The DHL/AEO equity award recipients are:

- Hardison Management & Revitalization Development, owner Hollie R. Hardison
- USART & Leadership Training Inc., dba Naturasol U.S.A. Inc., owner Rosemary Pell
- On Cue Creations Inc., owner Deborah Ford
- European Academy of Music & Arts, owner Magdalena Luciani
- Heights Unknown, Inc., owner Kesiza Straker
- Sentec Scientific Inc., owner Roobik Azarnia
- Naneki Inc., owner Nancy Davila

About AEO

AEO's mission is to support the development of strong and effective U.S. microenterprise initiatives to assist underserved entrepreneurs in starting, stabilizing and expanding businesses. For more information on AEO, please visit www.microenterpriseworks.org.

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