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Area Development Magazine Chooses Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County for Inclusion in 100 Leading Locations for 2013, Cites Leadership of Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and CEO Council

Area Development Magazine, considered the leading executive magazine covering corporate site selection, relocation and site and facility planning, has announced their *100 Leading Locations* for 2013. Results matter, especially when it comes to spending huge amounts of time and money setting up a new business location. That's why it is important to locate the operations to a city or region that knows how to grow its economy and has the track record to prove it. For this year's *Leading Locations* study, *Area Development* analyzed economic and work force data for 380 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) – both for 2011-2012 (recent performance) and 2007-2012 (duration of the Great Recession), and a picture emerges of the cities across America that are coming out of the recession as economic front runners to attract new and expanding business and create jobs going forward. Recovery is always easiest with a diversified economic base, a trait that almost all of the top ranked *Leading Locations* share. The Broward County MSA [Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MSA] ranked #49 as one of the *Top "Big" MSA's overall*, and #9 among the *Top "South Atlantic – Year-Over-Year Growth Cities"* in the report, with the magazine citing the leadership of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and its CEO Council.

According to *Area Development Magazine* Publisher, Dennis Shea, "The Fort Lauderdale MSA's inclusion in the 100 *Leading Locations* rankings, with a #49 ranking in the *Top Big MSA's Overall* and a #9 ranking in the *Top South Atlantic "Year-Over-Year Growth" Cities*, indicates that the area's positive economic development initiatives have helped lead the way out of the recession and appear to be in good position to attract new and expanding business and job creation going

forward. Led by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and its CEO Council's national/international headquarters marketing and recruitment campaign, built on the tagline "Life. Less Taxing", the Fort Lauderdale MSA is well poised for future success."

Other significant rankings of note for the Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach-Deerfield Beach MSA in just the "Year-Over-Year-Growth" category include *Overall #61*, *"Big Cities" #24*, *South Atlantic Region "Big Cities" #4*, and *Florida "Big Cities" #2*.

CEO Council founding and current Chairman Ray Ferrero, Jr. said, "This national recognition and honor by *Area Development Magazine* as one of their 100 Leading Locations once again ratifies the CEO Council's foundational studies including the initial assessment conducted by Jim McGraw of KMK Consulting, followed by the National Competitive Ranking Assessment by John Rhodes of MS&B and the 3 year Strategic Blueprint & Implementation Plan for headquarters recruitment by Del Boyette and his team at Boyette Strategic Advisors, along with the marketing and branding initiative developed by Jordan Zimmerman and his team at Zimmerman Advertising. These foundational studies, all underwritten privately by the CEO Council, along with the National Competitive Incentives Analysis by Jay Biggins of Biggins Lacy & Shapiro, have brought the collective wisdom of the nation's top economic development consultants to bear on Greater Fort Lauderdale, and the results of executing their recommendations under the direction of CEO Council Managing Director Robin Ronne have proven we are on the right path to continued success."

"We are extremely proud of this honor for the Broward County MSA and Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance," said Broward County Administrator Bertha Henry. "It is a testament that our public-private partnership is producing the kind of results that have been recognized as one of the best in the nation, and is a wonderful recognition for all of Broward County – one in which its business community and residents can take pride."

"We are very proud to be the recipient of this recognition," said Alliance president and CEO Bob Swindell. "We have many people to thank including our partners at Broward County, the municipalities in Broward County and the numerous private sector companies who provide their time, talents and financial resources to growing jobs in Broward County. We are pleased to share this award with them and are grateful for their support and involvement."

To view the leading locations article and related charts, please go to www.areadevelopment.com or click on the following links:

<http://www.areadevelopment.com/Leading-Locations/Q2-2013/Leading-Locations-2013-year-over-year-growth-rankings-288188.shtml>

<http://www.areadevelopment.com/Leading-Locations/Q2-2013/Leading-Locations-2013-Full-Results-262716.shtml>

Education Training Corporation Expands Headquarters in Fort Lauderdale adding New Jobs and Capital Investment

Education Training Corporation d/b/a Anthem Education, announced that it has chosen Fort Lauderdale as the location to expand its new consolidated North American headquarters.

Anthem Education operates as a post-secondary educational institution with 34 campuses in 14 states. The Company operates its campuses under the Florida Career College, Anthem College, Anthem Career College, Anthem Institute, The Bryman School of Arizona and Morrison University names. Florida Career College has operated in Florida since 1982 and has grown and expanded its schools and programs to meet the needs of students and businesses and currently offers career-focused programs in various subject areas, such as allied healthcare, information technology, technical trades and others at each of its 12 locations throughout the State of Florida. In April 2012, Education Training Corporation acquired Arizona based High-Tech Institute Holdings, Inc., d/b/a Anthem Education, with 22 campuses in 14 states.

Officials from the Company worked closely with the office of Florida Governor Rick Scott, Enterprise Florida, the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance CEO Council to secure state and local incentives that will result in the creation of 70 new jobs with average salaries of \$50,000 at its new headquarters over a 3 year period and the retention of 85 existing jobs, along with the investment of over \$300,000 in additional capital expenditures for construction, renovation and leasehold improvements and the purchase of computer equipment, office furniture, fixtures and other property. Anthem Education's new headquarter offices are located in approximately 40,000 square feet of space at 1000 Corporate Drive, Suite 500 and 600, in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The state and local incentives from Florida and the City of Fort Lauderdale consist of \$350,000 from the Qualified Target Industries Tax Refund Program, with the state providing eighty percent, or \$280,000, and the City of Fort Lauderdale providing twenty percent or \$70,000.

Anthem Education CEO David Knobel said, "Greater Fort Lauderdale provides us with an expansive area that welcomes growing businesses and a rich and diverse pool of talent for future growth. We appreciate the assistance provided by Governor Scott, Enterprise Florida, the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance CEO Council in our selection process."

Governor Rick Scott said, "Florida is known for educational excellence and job creation – and Anthem Education's expansion in Ft. Lauderdale is more proof of our success. With more than 320,000 jobs created in the last two years, our strategies of cutting taxes, paying down debt, and investing in K-12 education are paving the way for more opportunities for Florida families."

Fort Lauderdale Mayor Jack Seiler said "We are very happy to welcome Anthem Education to our city for their new and expanded North American headquarters location, and we look forward to seeing them continue to grow their base of operations here. We wish them all future success."

Florida Secretary of Commerce Gray Swoope, who serves as President & CEO of Enterprise Florida, the state's lead economic development organization, also acknowledged the partnerships that helped move Anthem Education's expansion forward. "I thank the local, regional, corporate and government partners who share our vision to heighten Florida's stature as a business state. By bringing this project to fruition, we are maintaining a business climate that favors and supports the establishment of headquarters operations," said Swoope. "Even more, companies like Anthem Education are developing the talent and skill base needed for tomorrow's economy."

According to Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance CEO Council Chairman Ray Ferrero, Jr., "We are delighted that Anthem Education has chosen to locate their consolidated North American headquarters in Greater Fort Lauderdale. Their decision ratifies the CEO Council's mission to market Greater Fort Lauderdale as a premier location for corporate and international headquarters, and we look forward to celebrating their growth and success in the years to come."

MotionPoint, Corp. to Add 100 to 150 New Employees

The Coconut Creek office of MotionPoint Corp., a website translation service company, resembles the United Nations, with employees from 40 countries including Argentina, Brazil, Germany, Korea, Spain, Russia and Zambia. Most of these technology specialists hired in recent years came to South Florida to work for other companies, said Will Fleming, co-founder and chief executive of MotionPoint. Several were experienced workers downsized during the recession.

Now MotionPoint, which provides online translation services for major consumer brands like Best Buy and Ford Motor Co., plans to further expand. The company has said it would hire 100 to 150 employees over the next three years. The company's growth is being driven by interest in the global marketplace.

"We see our business as helping companies penetrate new markets," Fleming said. With the U.S. economy recovering, "companies are investing more aggressively, and the website is one of the areas where they tend to invest." To read more in the South Florida Sun Sentinel, [click here](#).

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood Airport Gets Big Aerospace Tenant

Shoreline Aerospace is expanding its business by establishing an airside parts distribution and maintenance operation at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL).

CBRE arranged the 54,500-square-foot lease, at 1800 SW 34th St., on behalf of its client, Airside Fort Lauderdale. Tenant Shoreline Aerospace, a global supplier of parts and services to the commercial airline industry and military forces, is leasing the cross-dock distribution facility. To read more in the South Florida Business Journal, please [click here](#).

Yacht Builder ISA Sets up Shop in Fort Lauderdale

(By Arlene Satchell - SunSentinel May 18, 2013) Italian yacht builder International Shipyards Ancona, or ISA as it's more commonly known, recently opened an office in Fort Lauderdale to serve as its North American operations. The 12-year-

old company specializes in the design, construction and refit of luxury motor yachts 78 feet to 295 feet (24-90 meters) in length, made of steel, aluminum or fiberglass, according to information on its website isayachts.com.

"I have a strong personal connection to the U.S. and have long been aware of the importance of the American market for our yachts," said ISA President of Sales and Marketing, Marcello Maggi at the Fort Lauderdale grand opening May 10. Since 2001 when it started production on its first vessel, a 155-foot (47.5 meter) steel and aluminum yacht, ISA has built and delivered 28 yachts to affluent and discerning owners across the globe. To read more in the South Florida Sun Sentinel, please [click here](#).

Fort Lauderdale Named Among "Top 10 Cities of the Future"

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) magazine has ranked the City of Fort Lauderdale among the "Top 10 Small American Cities of the Future." *fDi Magazine* ranked Fort Lauderdale as seventh best for economic potential in the bi-annual rankings report for 2013/14.

According to the magazine, data for 422 cities in the western hemisphere was reviewed for the ranking. Data was collected for six categories including economic potential, human resources, cost effectiveness, infrastructure, business friendliness and FDI strategy. To read more, [click here](#).

Alliance Economic Sourcebook Advertising Space Available

The Alliance is once again working with the *South Florida Business Journal* to publish its annual award-winning *Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Economic Sourcebook and Market Profile*. This valuable guide serves as a primary marketing tool to promote the entire Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County area. The *Sourcebook* is distributed in a number of ways including to Alliance members, included in national and international marketing kits, available at Chambers of Commerce and Broward County libraries, distributed in the *South Florida Business Journal*, and can be viewed on the Alliance website. The *Economic Sourcebook* provides Alliance members with an outstanding marketing opportunity. For additional information, please contact Amy Allen at 954-949-7561 or aallen@bizjournals.com.

Education, Workforce Development and Educational Excellence Builds Business (E²B²)

Members wishing to serve on the E²B² Action Team may contact the Alliance for further details.

FAU Microbiology Professor Receives Alliance World Class Faculty Award for Contributions to Biotechnology Industry

Nwadiuto Esiobu, Ph.D., an associate professor and applied microbiologist in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science's department of biological sciences at Florida Atlantic University, has been named this year's recipient of the World Class Faculty Award by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance. The prestigious award was presented to Esiobu during the Alliance's 2013 Mid-Year Luncheon on Thursday, May 2 at the Hyatt Regency Pier 66 in Ft. Lauderdale.

"I am truly and deeply honored that the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance has chosen me for this award," said Esiobu. "I am proud to represent FAU as we strive to improve lives across the globe through science and technology." To read more, please [click here](#).

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Student Selected for State Health and Wellness Leadership Position

The Dairy Council of Florida chose Nova Eisenhower Elementary School student Ariella Ciuraru, a fifth-grader from Cooper City, as Fuel Up to Play 60 Student Ambassador of the Year. The Student Ambassador program engages youth directly as grassroots leaders to increase access to nutrient-rich foods and promote 60 minutes of physical activity at school. To read more, please [click here](#).

BCPS College Academy at Broward College Student Wins Scholarship to Study Chinese in China

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) College Academy @ Broward College student Jared Rosen will spend his summer studying Chinese in China. Jared was awarded the National Security Language Initiative for Youth scholarship by the U.S. Department of State. To read more, please [click here](#).

Broward Students Receive Top Honors at Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association Broward Chapter Awards Gala

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) top school, teacher and students received honors and awards at the Broward Chapter of the Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association's (FRLA) Educational Foundation's recent annual Excellence in Education Awards Gala, held at the Westin Beach Resort in Fort Lauderdale. The awards gala, a collaboration between BCPS and the local hospitality industry, honored BCPS students and teachers and provided scholarships to 13 outstanding students in the ProStart (Culinary Program) and Hospitality, Tourism and Management Program who exemplify the skills needed to succeed in the hospitality industry. Superintendent Robert W. Runcie was the keynote speaker. To read more, please [click here](#).

Nova High School Teacher Shawna Morgan Wins 2013 Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching Economics

The Florida Council on Economic Education (FCEE) named the 2013 Governor's Awards for Excellence in Teaching Economics (GAP) winners, today, May 10, 2013. Educators from all grade levels in all 67 school districts submitted lesson plans and curriculum to compete for top honors on Friday May 3, 2013 at Lake Ashton Golf Club in Lake Wales, Florida. To read more, please [click here](#).

Broward County Public Schools Top Students Win National Merit Scholarships

Cypress Bay High School senior William D. Giraldo of Weston and Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School senior Harrison J. Schwartz, are among the first seniors who have earned a 2013 National Merit Scholarship. They are part of the first group of winners awarded scholarships this year financed by businesses. The National Merit Scholarship Corporation recently made the announcement. To read more, please [click here](#).

BCPS Partners with Innovations for Learning to Improve Student Literacy

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) has entered into a collaborative partnership with Innovations for Learning (IFL), an Illinois-based nonprofit organization, to implement a new literacy program that harnesses the power of teachers, tutors, and technology to deliver classroom instruction to 120 kindergarten and first grade classrooms. The new innovative learning model will impact approximately 2,160 students beginning in August 2013. To read more, please [click here](#).

Coral Glades High School Senior Named U.S. Presidential Scholar Semifinalist

Coral Glades High School senior Ronald Laracuate has been named a semifinalist academic scholar for the highly prestigious 2013 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program. Ronald is among the over 3,000 candidates who were selected in January for their exceptional performance on either the College Board SAT or the ACT Assessment. Consideration was also given to students' essays, self-assessments, description of activities, school recommendations and school transcripts. A distinguished panel of educators reviewed candidate submissions to select the 500 semifinalists announced in April. To read more, [click here](#).

Business Briefs and Alliance Member News (Alliance members in bold)

Bolton Medical, Inc. has been named the winner of the 2013 Technology Leader of the Year Award for the Bioscience Company Category by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce. The award is designed to highlight individuals or organizations with extraordinary technological hands-on experience and whose management of technology resources and/or technological innovations has made outstanding contributions to their organization and the community.

The Manufacturing Institute has announced that **Broward College** has been named a charter member of the "M-List." Recognizing excellence in manufacturing education, the M-List distinguishes schools that are preparing workers up to industry standards in advanced manufacturing. Congratulations Broward College!

The City of Pompano Beach is receiving 1000 Friends of Florida's Community Steward Award for its progressive efforts to conserve water through reuse. Pompano Beach has been using reuse water for irrigation for 24 years, explains 1000 Friends President Charles Pattison, conserving over 10 billion gallons of water from the Biscayne Aquifer. "Pompano Beach is to be commended for its comprehensive approach to water conservation," notes Pattison. The award will be presented at the May 28 meeting of the Pompano Beach City Commission.

The City of Fort Lauderdale Planning and Zoning Board voted unanimously (9-0) to support Marina Lofts, a proposed **Cymbal Development** community along the New River in downtown Fort Lauderdale. After a year of meetings and speaking and working with over 1,000 Fort Lauderdale residents, leaders, and the City of Fort Lauderdale Planning and Zoning staff, Marina Lofts was recommended by Planning and Zoning staff and approved by the City of Fort Lauderdale Planning and Zoning Board. To read more, please [click here](#).

HEICO Corporation recently announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Reinhold Industries, Inc. ("Reinhold") from certain affiliates of The Jordan Company, L.P., a New York-based investment firm, and Reinhold management. Reinhold will be part of HEICO's Flight Support Group. Financial details were not disclosed, but HEICO stated that it expects the acquisition to be accretive to its earnings per share within the first twelve months following closing. To read more, please [click here](#).

Ken Morris, SIOR and Principal of **Morris Southeast Group/CORFAC International** announced that his firm has been awarded the property management contracts and leasing assignments for an office building in Deerfield Beach and a medical office building in Miami, FL. The Deerfield Beach office building is a two-story, 55,000-square-foot Class B building that is fully leased and owned by Florida Motels Group, which recently acquired the asset from FG Deerfield Investments. Morris Southeast Group was the exclusive leasing agent for the building prior to the sale and was subsequently awarded the management and leasing contracts by the new ownership. To read more, please [click here](#).

The Research Park at Florida Atlantic University and Enterprise Development Corporation (EDC) announced that LinguaSys, Inc. has graduated from the Technology Business Incubator™ (TBI). The company's genesis was at the TBI, which fosters entrepreneurship and offers a unique brand of assistance to startup technology companies. Under one roof, resident TBI companies find resources for mentors, investors, community collaborators, and business services, coordinated by EDC, all in close proximity to FAU research and faculty. To read more, please [click here](#).

The Research Park at Florida Atlantic University announced that Life of Purpose, a treatment facility that provides a research-based solution for young adults who have had their academic careers disrupted by substance abuse, will open at the Boca Raton campus in May, 2013. Life of Purpose will occupy approximately 6,000 square feet, bringing the number of Research Park tenants to 24. Combined with the Technology Business Incubator companies, the total number of tenants at the Research Park is 47. To read more, please [click here](#).

On Saturday, May 18, thousands of students throughout Broward County came together for a one-of-a-kind youth rally. Called "Above the Influence." The event was a joint effort created by **United Way of Broward County's** Commission on Substance Abuse and Broward County Public Schools (BCPS). The event is designed to celebrate students making the right decisions – to resist peer pressure, eschew violence and avoid drugs. A rousing march from the Kathleen C. Wright (KC Wright) Administration Building to Huizenga Plaza was followed by a rally at the plaza, with inspiring speeches and dynamic performances.

[Upcoming Economic Development Meetings, Missions & Events Alliance Calendar of Events](#)

Alliance Entrepreneur Council Meeting (Members only)

Wednesday, June 12 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Location: TBA

For more information, please contact Michelle Cook at 954-627-0132 or at mcook@gflalliance.org

Alliance Partner Council Meeting (Members only)

Thursday, June 13 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Location: South Florida Regional Planning Council, Hollywood

For more information, please contact Helen Kulp at 954-627-0131 or at hkulp@gflalliance.org

Alliance Leadership Council Meeting (Members only)

Tuesday, June 18 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Bolton Medical Inc., 799 International Parkway, Sunrise

For more information, please contact Tania Vinaixa at 954-627-0133 or at tvinaixa@gflalliance.org

Alliance Corporate Council Meeting (Members only)

Wednesday, June 19 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Location: First Citizens Bank & Trust, 6555 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please contact Helen Kulp at 954-627-0131 or at hkulp@gflalliance.org

Alliance Governor Council Meeting (Members only)

Tuesday, June 25 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Young at Art Museum, 751 SW 121st Ave., Davie

For more information, please contact Tania Vinaixa at 954-627-0133 or at tvinaixa@gflalliance.org

Alliance Annual Meeting & Dinner

Thursday, October 17 5:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Location: Signature Grand, 6900 West State Road 84, Davie

Platinum sponsors of this year's event include Broward College, JM Family Enterprises, Inc. and Signature Grand. Gold Sponsors include AutoNation and FPL. Silver Sponsors include Florida Blue and Nova Southeastern University.

For more information, please contact Tania Vinaixa at 954-627-0133 or at tvinaixa@gflalliance.org

Enterprise Florida Events:

Paris Air Show 2013

June 16-22

Le Bourget – Paris, France

Event Type: International Trade and Investment

Industry Sector: Aerospace/Aviation

Region: Europe & the Middle East

Enterprise Florida (EFI) conducts or participates in an extensive schedule of export marketing missions and exhibitions worldwide. These trade events are open to all businesses registered in Florida. For more information and to see more event listings, please [click here](#).

Other Events:

T.J. Reddick Bar Association, Inc. 21st Annual Awards & Scholarship Gala

Saturday, June 1 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Location: Hyatt Regency Pier 66, 2301 S.E. 17th Street, Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please [click here](#).

Broward County - Florida Export Opportunities: Mexico

Tuesday, June 4 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Broward College, 111 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please [click here](#).

Six Pillars Broward Talent Supply and Education Implementation Meeting

Tuesday, June 4 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Florida Atlantic University, 111 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please [click here](#).

Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development Intentional Entrepreneur™ Workshop

Wednesday, June 5 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Hollywood Branch Library, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood

For more information, please [click here](#).

United Way Innovations for Learning Breakfast Presentation

Thursday, June 6 7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW Fifth Avenue, Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please [click here](#).

Tower Forum: Will Greater Fort Lauderdale Win the War for Good Jobs?

Moderated by Alliance CEO Bob Swindell, featuring Alliance CEO Council panelists Keith Koenig, Terry Stiles and Scott Verner

Thursday, June 6 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Location: Tower Club, One Financial Plaza 100 SE 3rd Ave., Fort Lauderdale

For more information, please [click here](#).

South Florida Business Journal Healthiest Employers Awards and Health Expo

Thursday, June 6 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: Hyatt Regency Pier 66, Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Florida-Japan Summit

Friday, June 7
Location: University of South Florida, Tampa
For more information, please [click here](#).

Broward College Hosts - TED 2013: Disrupt

Friday, June 7 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Location: Broward College, 111 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Six Pillars Broward Business Climate and Competitiveness Implementation Meeting

Wednesday, June 12 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Florida Atlantic University, 111 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Six Pillars Broward Innovation & Economic Development Implementation Meeting

Wednesday, June 12 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Location: Florida Atlantic University, 111 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Six Pillars Broward Civic and Governance Systems Implementation Meeting

Thursday, June 13 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Location: Bank of America Community Room, 401 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

2013 South Florida Healthcare and Hospital Association Annual Healthcare Summit

Thursday/Friday, June 13-14
Location: Greater Fort Lauderdale-Broward County Convention Center, Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Six Pillars Broward Infrastructure & Growth Leadership Implementation Meeting

Friday, June 14 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Broward MPO, 100 West Cypress Creek Road, 8th Floor, Suite 850, Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

South Florida Business Journal: Doing Business in China

Thursday, June 13 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Location: The Ritz-Carlton, Fort Lauderdale
For more information, please [click here](#).

Committee For Economic Development - Online Education: A Lunch Forum for Business Leaders

Tuesday, June 25, 11:45 a.m.
Location: To Be Announced
For more information, please [click here](#).

2013 Florida Economic Development Conference

Wednesday – Friday, June 26-28
Location: Orlando
For more information, please [click here](#).

South Florida Business Journal Social Media Crash Course

Wednesday, June 26, 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Location: IGFA Fishing Hall of Fame Museum, Dania Beach
For more information, please [click here](#).

NAIOP Economic Update 2013: Understanding the Road to Recovery

Wednesday, July 24, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Location: IGFA Fishing Hall of Fame Museum, Dania Beach
For more information, please [click here](#).

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