



## **BOUNCE INNOVATION HUB HOSTS COMMUNITY CELEBRATION DAY**

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[March 29, 2024, Akron, Ohio] On Wednesday, May 22, 2024, Bounce Innovation Hub will host a Community Celebration Day to commemorate some very special milestones for the nonprofit organization that serves northeast Ohio entrepreneurs, startups, and small businesses and also to say “thank you” to the community for their ongoing support.

The special day-long celebration commemorates the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Bounce Innovation Hub and the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the “Hub’s” 1st-floor coworking space, the Generator. Activities and events include food trucks at lunchtime, a free coworking day, art exhibits, prizes, an appearance by Zippy, and much more!

Bounce Innovation Hub was founded in January 2018 and serves northeast Ohio entrepreneurs, startups, and small businesses. Located in downtown Akron, the nonprofit organization comprises over 300,000 square feet and nine stories in one of the former Goodrich buildings.

Chief Executive Officer Jessica Sublett is proud of the positive impact that Bounce is having on Northeast Ohio. *“Since our start, we have worked with entrepreneurs and startup companies to help create more than 680 new jobs, over \$130 million paid in payroll, and watch our clients be responsible for 144 new patents. In addition to the entrepreneurial clients we help foster, we see an average of 12,000 visitors use the Hub for various activities, including events, meetings, and coworking,”*

Bounce Innovation Hub offers an entrepreneurial experience that is unique to Northeast Ohio. In the Hub, clients can network, collaborate, and attend events that foster innovation, strong business relationships, and startup success. The Hub has tech startups, small businesses, creative organizations, coworking spaces, private offices, lab spaces, event and meeting spaces, the Stray Dog Café, and artwork from local artisans.

Jessica added, *“We support hundreds of entrepreneurs and startups through various programs and initiatives, including mentorship, coaching, affordable workspace, and a myriad of services to help entrepreneurs navigate the challenges of their startup journeys.”*

Early in March, construction began expanding the Bounce’s coworking space, called “The Generator,” to the 2nd floor of the building. The Generator is the primary location for many of Bounce’s events, coworking spaces, and private offices for rising entrepreneurs. The expansion will offer more coworking spaces, private offices, conference rooms, and event spaces.”

The Bounce Innovation Hub Community Celebration Day will take place on Wednesday, May 22, and is free and open to the public. The building is located at 526 S Main St, Akron, OH 44311.

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