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INCUBATOR TENANTS

Aimee Wigfall Photography
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Aimee Wigfall Photography is the premier custom portrait and wedding photographer serving Carbondale and the surrounding southern Illinois area. Aimee's custom portraiture focuses on the use of natural light, both indoors and outdoors. She specializes in modern beauty portraits, capturing the inner beauty and personality of every client. Aimee is a startup company hoping to grow into a commercial lease space soon.

Beaded Distribution
40belowco.com

Beaded Distribution, LLC, was started in the SIU Research Park in 2015, by SIU Carbondale graduate and microbiologist Curt Jones. Jones, founder of Dippin' Dots Inc., commercialized his original lab discovery and produced the "Ice Cream of the Future." Twenty-eight years and billions of dots later, Jones is now reinventing coffee with his cryogenic freezing technology. Jones, and a group of students from multiple disciplines on campus, are currently in the R&D phase and are looking to expand upon this niche market.

Behavioral Services of Southern Illinois

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CarGo
cargio.io

At carGO, we believe it takes more than technology to create great customer experiences—it also takes service. Our all-inclusive technology connects people and businesses seeking on-demand and scheduled rides and delivery of restaurant food, alcohol and small packages, to local drivers using their personal vehicles. Our dedicated team adds the human touches to ensure great experiences.

Creating a Leader
creatingaleader.com

Creating a Leader LLC offers progressive live programs and resources to help leaders increase their capabilities. Kelly McCormack is the author of the programs and the three-book series entitled, Creating a Leader. The business specializes in rapid growth for the leader who can achieve larger visions and goals by engaging in a proven set of frameworks that ensure success. Leaders create more meaningfully and reliably while fulfilling their potential in business and life.

Saffron Scientific Histology Services
saffronscientific.com

Saffron Scientific Histology Services is a new business that provides histological services tailored to the unique needs of research, veterinary, physician, hospital, and surgery center clients. Animal, human, and plant tissues from medical or research sources are grossed, fixed, processed, embedded, sectioned, and stained.

Sound Core Music & Video
soundcoremusic.com

Sound Core is a full-service enterprise which provides video and media production services as well as installations of video and media equipment. Sound Core's incubator mission is to increase their reach in the audio video production, training, archiving, and social media support areas.

Thermaquatica
thermaquatica.com

Thermaquatica is dedicated to the scale-up and commercial exploitation of the Oxidative Hydrothermal Dissolution process. Thermaquatica is merging creative chemistry with engineering to pioneer the development of environmentally friendly means to produce next generation materials and fuels.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS & PARTNERS

Capital Development Board (CDB)
illinois.gov/CDB

The Capital Development Board is the construction management arm of Illinois' state government. CDB oversees the design and construction of new elementary and high schools, college and university facilities, public safety centers, museums and historic sites, state recreation areas, health centers, office buildings and prisons. In addition, CDB is responsible for annual repair and renovation programs at more than 8,400 state-owned properties, as well as the removal of environmental hazards and the upgrading of facilities to meet accessibility standards.

Illinois Century Network (ICN)
illinois.gov/icn/Pages/default.aspx

The Illinois Century network is a statewide educational intranet providing constituents with network consulting, assists participating institutions with the provisioning of networking hardware and connectivity, monitors constituent connections and works with local telecommunications providers to promptly resolve outages.

Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center (IMEC)
imec.org

The Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center are the experts in small and mid-sized manufacturing. IMEC delivers hands-on technical assistance and strategic advisement to help manufacturers to be more productive and globally competitive. Since 1996, IMEC has helped more than 2,500 Illinois manufacturing companies to achieve more than \$1.5 billion in productivity, profit, and cost savings improvements.

Illinois Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at SIU
sbdc.siu.edu

The Illinois Small Business Development Center provides small business owners and entrepreneurs with the tools, guidance and support necessary to start, manage and grow successful and sustainable businesses. Direct and personalized business assistance is provided to entrepreneurs through one-on-one professional consulting, training/workshops, assisting business owners to increase their sales, obtain loans, streamline operations, utilize new technologies, expand into new markets, and position themselves for long-term growth.

Jackson CEO
jacksonceo.org

Jackson CEO: Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities is a year-long course designed to utilize partnerships that provide an overview of business development and processes. Our local business community partners with area schools to create project-based experiences for students by providing funding, expertise, meeting space, business tours, and one-on-one mentoring.

Jackson Growth Alliance (JGA)
jacksonbiz.org

The Mission of the Jackson Growth Alliance is to encourage economic and community development for all of Jackson County, Illinois and the greater southern Illinois region. The Jackson Growth Alliance unites the efforts of the Jackson County government, City of Carbondale, City of Murphysboro, Southern Illinois University, Southern Illinois Airport Authority and the Jackson County business community for the achievement of economic development goals.

SIU Office of Economic and Regional Development (OERD)
econdev.siu.edu

The Office of Economic and Regional Development (OERD) at Southern Illinois University Carbondale is your regional gateway to a myriad of resources. The collective knowledge and resources herein are ready to assist businesses and start-up entrepreneurs with everything from creating a business plan to attracting equity investments. Many of the technical assistance programs in OERD are a part of the statewide Illinois Entrepreneurship Network.

SIU Business Incubator Programs
incubator.siu.edu

The mission of the Small Businesses Incubator Program is to accelerate the start-up and expansion of small businesses in southern Illinois. The program is here to provide the guidance and consulting necessary to make sure those start-up and expanding firms have the tools necessary to succeed.

SIU Research Park (SIURP)
researchpark.siu.edu

The SIU Research Park developed from the successful foundation of the business incubator program, which opened its first facility in 1990. The SIURP Board of Directors is comprised of SIU representatives, entrepreneurs and business leaders, and local government officials. The primary markets served by the Research Park include University spin-outs and emerging/expanding technology-based organizations. The SIURP mission is "to establish and support an environment to foster innovation, commercialize University discoveries, and advance entrepreneurship and economic development within SIU and throughout the region."

Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program (MTU#15)
mtu15.com

The Mobile Team Unit (MTU#15) provides delivery of in-service law enforcement training to 152 law enforcement agencies, which include 1,600 officers, covering the 27 southern Illinois counties. MTU#15 delivers approximately 180 classes each year throughout the region using over 50 different training sites.

Special Olympics, Illinois
soill.org

Special Olympics Illinois provides year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. The Special Olympics Illinois downstate office has partnered with Southern Illinois University on a variety of projects including providing internship opportunities to SIU students.

SIU CARBONDALE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

- [Center for Delta Studies](#)
- [IMEC](#)
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- [QWIR](#)
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The above links are economic development organizations located within the SIU Research Park. For more related organizations, please [click here](#).

SIU CARBONDALE SMALL BUSINESS INCUBATOR PROGRAM

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