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WOMEN IN BUSINESS EVENT AGENDA:

- 8:00 – 9:00 AM Registration and Breakfast Networking
- 9:00 AM – 9:05 AM **Conference Welcome**
Rachel Winder, Executive Director, Ohio Women's Coalition
- 9:05 AM – 10:00 AM **Women in Government Panel**
Senator Susan Manchester
Senator Paula Hicks-Hudson
Rep. Michelle Teska
Rep. Desiree Tims
- 10:00 AM – 11:00: AM **Sponsorship: The Best-Kept Career Secret to Shatter Glass Ceilings**
Tonya Tiggett, Founder and Chief Career Strategist, Tiggett & Co.
- 11:00 AM– 11:15 AM **Break and move to Breakouts**
- 11:15 AM - Noon **Breakout Panel 1: DEI Efforts and What is Next?**
MODERATOR: Anna Staver, Statehouse Reporter, Plain Dealer
Kristine Woliver, Partner, Squire Patton Boggs
Eric Kearney, Director of Corporate Responsibility and Opportunity, Ohio Chamber of Commerce
- Breakout Panel 2: Access to Capital**
MODERATOR: Cheryl Burchard, Government Relations Assistant, Benesch Law
Monica Womack, Ohio Department of Development
Jerome Jones , Lender Relations Specialist, U.S. SBA
Michelle Haslinger, Chief Lending Officer, Fortuna Bank
- Breakout Panel 3: Retirement Strategies and Succession Planning**
MODERATOR: Jenny Carlson, State Director, AARP Ohio
Merry Korn, CEO, MPK Enterprise
Shaniece M. Wise, Founder & CEO, Wise, Armstrong & Associates, LLC
- Noon – 12:15 PM **Move into Main Ballroom for Lunch**



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- 12:15 PM – 12:45 PM **Lunch & Keynote**
*Claire Coder, **Founder & CEO, Aunt Flow***
No, The Start of a Movement:
How many times have you been told no? No may have been the first word you ever learned. But NO shouldn't always be the end... It may be just the beginning. Claire will share her story of overcoming 86 no's to build her 8 figure business and how you can turn no-but into yes-and.
- 12:45 PM – 1:00 PM **2025 Women in Business Awards Presentations**
Community Builder Award:
Rita McNeil Danish, **CEO, Signal Ohio**
- C Suite Executive of the Year:**
Marty McDonald, **President, Fahlgren Mortine**
- Lifetime Achievement Award:**
- 1:00 PM – 1:15 PM **Break and move to Breakouts**
- 1:15 PM – 2:00 PM **Breakout Panel 1: How to use AI in your Business**
*Julie Jacono, **Chief Executive Officer, JumpStart***
*Jessica Trambley, **Director of Social Media, WRL Advertising***
- Breakout Presentation 2: Conflict Resolution**
*Catherine Strauss, **Managing Partner, Ice Miller***
- 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM **Fireside Chat: Breaking the Glass Ceiling in Historically Male Dominated Professions**
MODERATOR: Mary Taylor, **SVP Operations & Finance, Northeast Ohio Medical University**
*Bhakti Bania, **CEO . Architect LEED AP, BBCO Design***
*Darlene Magold, **CEO, Etch, LTD***
Mary Shepro, **Assistant Counsel, Columbus Crew**