



ReMix Ideas to Host Second Annual Black Founders Summit on Wednesday, Oct. 27

Annual business summit brings together key business leaders, policymakers, and entrepreneurs for actionable insights and discussions on the issues that matter most to the Black-owned businesses

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (Oct. 25, 2021) – ReMix Ideas is virtually bringing together key Black business leaders, policymakers, and entrepreneurs for the second annual Black Founders Summit called “Blueprint for Scaling Black-owned Businesses in Arkansas,” on Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2021 at 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to discuss and implement actionable solutions that will shape the future of Black Entrepreneurship.

This year’s edition of the Black Founders Summit will focus on creating a right ecosystem for scaling Black-owned Businesses (BOBs). “Our strategic intent is to help BOBs increase their revenues, secure procurement opportunities, increase access to market opportunities and scale more quickly,” said Benito Lubazibwa, Founder and CEO of ReMix Ideas and Advancing Black Entrepreneurship Inc. (ABE). Over 100 business leaders and entrepreneurs attended the first annual Black Founders Summit last year.

In addition to panel discussions, thought-provoking dialogue, and challenging participants to reimagine what this new reality should look like, the all-day summit will also include the presentation of \$65,000 to local Black-owned businesses.

The event will be highlighted by a fireside chat interview with Mayor Veronica Smith-Creer, City of El Dorado. Presenters and attendees at the Summit include

- Democratic gubernatorial candidate Chris Jones;
- Attorney and Little Rock City Board Director Antwan Phillips;
- State Representative Vivian Flowers;
- Rev. Cory Anderson, Chief Innovation Office at Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation;
- Jay Young, Central and East Arkansas Regional Director & Director of Minority Business Development at FORGE, Inc.;
- Charles “Dan” Boren, Entergy Corp. Supplier Diversity Lead for Arkansas and Mississippi;
- Wesley Brown, Founder of Black Consumer News of Arkansas and Board Director for the National Inventors Hall of Fame;
- Scott Hamilton, CEO of the Arkansas Urban League;
- Attorney Rickey Hicks, owner of Hicks Law Firm;
- Anika Dixon, owner of Goss Management and Realty
- Angela Frierson Shirey, Vice President of Community Development at Arkansas Capital Corporation;
- and among many others.

Those interested in attending the Black Founders Summit’s “Blueprint for Scaling Black-owned Businesses in Arkansas” can register for free at www.blackfounderssummit.com

About ReMix Ideas

[ReMix Ideas](#) was established by Benito Lubazibwa in 2017 with the mission to build an entrepreneurial ecosystem that is rooted in equity and empowers Black entrepreneurs to start, grow and scale their businesses. Our goal is to democratize access to capital, market, and business knowledge for Black entrepreneurs.

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