



**Greater New Orleans
Small Business Sustainability Summit 2008**

**Neighborhood Check-Up - How are we doing?
Friday, February 22, 2008 - 8:30am - 4:30pm**

Meet some of the shakers and movers along three key neighborhood commercial districts (St. Claude, Gentilly, and Freret) and hear about exciting projects underway and ongoing challenges. Local businesses and the advocates they work with will discuss their work, share their experiences and identify key issues and priorities. If time permits, we will take a brief walking tour of the immediate area. Free event; lunch is self pay. Call 232-7821 for more information or to register.

FINAL AGENDA (updated 2/21/08)

- 8:30 am **ST. CLAUDE/ST. ROCH: Universal Building, 2372 St. Claude Ave.**
Universal Furniture Building, future site of Healing Center
Welcome and introductions
- Topic:** Win-win for-profit/ not-for-profit joint ventures
- Presenters:** Urban Main Streets, Renaissance Project, HRI Properties, Rebuilding Together, Good Children Carnival Club, area business owners
- Highlighted projects:** St. Roch Market, Upper 9th Ward Market, Healing Center, Urban Main Street, Rebuilding Together
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- 11 am **GENTILLY: Edgewater Baptist Church, 900 Paris Ave.**
- Topic:** Stimulating economic development and repopulation
- Presenters:** Beacon of Hope, Rep. JP Morrell, Gentilly Civic Improvement Association, Lake Vista Neighborhood Association, Cox Communications, area business owners
- Highlighted projects:** Beacon of Hope, commercial redevelopment
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- 12 - 1 pm Lunch in Gentilly (self-pay)
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- 1:30 pm **FRERET: 4723 Freret St. (formerly Jennie's Ice Cream & Coffee Café)**
- Topic:** Business-resident partnerships to address Quality of Life issues
- Presenters:** Freret Business and Property Owners Association, Neighbors United, Neighborhood Housing Services, area business owners
- Highlighted Projects:** Freret Market, NHS Design Studio, Cultural District zoning, fighting blight and creative economic development

