



# INFORMER

Official Newsletter for the Innovation DuPage Community

## ID Staff Updates

- We're excited to welcome **Adam Jeffries**, Vice President of Engineering at Safety Design, as our **Strategic Tech Advisor**. Adam brings valuable technical expertise to support ID members as they grow their businesses.
- ID staff will be out of office from **Thursday, November 27th** to **Friday, the 28th** for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will be back to normal office hours starting **Monday, December 1st**.

## Welcome New Members

- **Quasar Solar** - Yuri Gallegos
- **www.DunamisC.com** - Karin Knecht
- **Audrey George Consulting** - Audrey George
- **Hubbard Communication** - Scott Hubbard
- **C+UP** - Hamed Heidari
- **Ceyba LLC** - Natalia Serrano
- **Miew USA** - Matthew Johnson
- **ProHQ, LLC** - James Milligan
- **Game Changer Mindsets LLC** - Assad Koshul
- **QuasarTech LLC** - Zaki Mafraji
- **Accurate Atom Inc.** - Tao Xu
- **ModernSam** - Ryan Ameson
- **Azenity Consulting** - Elina Conley
- **Neelam Carbon Innovations LLC** - Amit Bhatia
- **Fi for Kids** - Tracy Sherrier
- **AGROFuture** - Larrick West
- **Turbodynamx** - Samaneh Ahmadinejad
- **Mad Dog Development, Inc.** - Maria DiGioia
- **Smart Expedite Inc.** - Kourosh Eshman
- **Green Grease Environmental** - Anthony Demma
- **Jojosuperfast** - Joe Sheehan

## Opportunities

### Clean Energy Incubator Grant Opportunity

Members participating in Innovation DuPage's Clean Energy Incubator (CEI) Program can now apply for the Equitable Energy Future Grant Program through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO). This program provides substantial funding for pre-development activities that advance renewable energy and energy-efficient initiatives.

Grant Details:

- Award Range: \$250,000 – \$1,000,000
- Application Deadline: **December 31st, 2025**

[Learn More and Apply Here](#)

Contact **Bill Payne**, Director of the Clean Energy Incubator Program, for support through the application process.

**Construction Owner-2-CEO Applications Now Open**



Are you or someone you know in the construction industry looking to take your business to the next level? Innovation DuPage and HACIA's Construction Owner-2-CEO is a free 10-week virtual business accelerator for construction professionals. Gain expertise in project management, contract bidding, leadership, marketing strategy, and human resources through expert-led training and networking.

Apply here by January 6th

Seeking Clean Tech Companies!



Innovation DuPage is actively looking for startups and small businesses working in the clean energy or clean technology industry - or referrals to companies that could benefit from our targeted support.

To Learn More

## Coming Up

ID December Workshop: Early Stage Formation and Funding

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**Early Stage Formation and Funding – The Legal Side**

**Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025**

**In-Person: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm**

- Which type of legal entity should I choose for my business venture?
- Post-formation decisions
- Equity incentives for advisors and employees
- Getting ready for your fundraiser and fundraising options

The logo for ID WorkShops, featuring a stylized "ID" in a green square followed by the text "WorkShops" in a sans-serif font.

The logo for AllRise Legal Counsel, featuring the text "ALLRISE" in a bold, sans-serif font with "LEGAL COUNSEL" in a smaller font below it.

Whether you're launching a new venture or preparing your existing business for fundraising, understanding the legal foundations is critical. Join us at Innovation DuPage on December 3rd as Leslee Cohen, Top 100 Attorney in Illinois and founder of AllRise Legal Counsel, covers entity selection, equity structures, organizational documents, and fundraising essentials.

Register Here





Join biweekly Member Meetups at Innovation DuPage! Network, enjoy bagels & coffee, and learn from spotlight members & resource experts.

The next Member Meetup will be on December 10th from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

If you can't make it in person, attend virtually though our[Zoom Link](#)

[Sign up](#) to present at a future Member Meetup

You're Invited to...



Join us for an evening of festive cheer! Enjoy beverages, hors d'oeuvres, and great company. Significant others are welcome. We hope to see you there!

[RSVP Here](#)

Interested in sponsoring the festivities? Reach out to [Jill McWilliams](#) by November 28th to get started.

[Sponsorship Information](#)

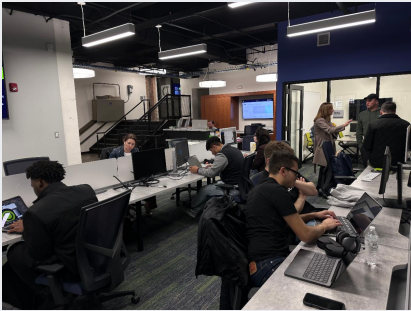
Let us help you share your success with the ID community!  
Share a recent win – big or small. It could be featured in our next letter! Email your accomplishment to [Hannah Macey](#).

Resources

[Clean Energy Incubator Program](#)

[Member Portal Login Page](#)

[Member Meetup Signup Sheet](#)



Reminder: Innovation DuPage is open for members as a coworking space 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Keep up with Innovation DuPage on social media!



