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### **Springfield Redevelopment Authority to Sponsor Free Vendor Workshops**

**Who:** Representatives from the Springfield Redevelopment Authority and the Operational Services Division

**What:** Free Vendor Workshops Sponsored by the Springfield Redevelopment Authority

**When:** Monday, July 11, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** Richard E. Neal City Hall Annex Building, 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA

Springfield, MA – The Springfield Redevelopment Authority will sponsor two free vendor workshops for those interested in establishing their own business and becoming more marketable entities. The classes, *Supplier Diversity Office Pre-Certification Workshop* and *COMMBUYS Vendor Registration Assistance* will be held on Monday, July 11 at the Richard E. Neal City Hall Annex Building at 70 Tapley Street beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor Domenic J. Sarno said, “Our economy continues to improve and my administration continues to push on economic development projects big and small to create more jobs. It is vitally important that all can prosper, especially in our minority, woman and/or disadvantaged business enterprise communities. The key is to be properly certified to compete for these upcoming opportunities. I urge any and all to attend these Supplier Diversity Office pre-certification workshops.”

*Supplier Diversity Office Pre-Certification* will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and will teach participants how to become more marketable for government entities, learn about government bidding opportunities, and create business to business partnerships.

During the *COMMBUYS Vendor Registration Assistance* workshop, which will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Operational Services Division (OSD) trainers will assist attendees with obtaining a free COMMBUYS vendor account. COMMBUYS is the Commonwealth of Massachusetts's online procurement center where government bidding opportunities are housed.

For those interested in attending, please see the accompanying flyer and to register for either class, visit [www.mass.gov/sdo](http://www.mass.gov/sdo).

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