



2015 SBA Emerging Leaders Initiative Launched in Youngstown, Ohio!

*Free Program Trains Promising
Entrepreneurs to take their business to
the next level!*

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Registration is now open for the 2015 Emerging Leaders executive level training program in Youngstown, Ohio. This is the 5th consecutive year in Youngstown. The goal of this program is to attract owners of established urban small businesses with high growth potential and to provide them with the knowledge and resources to build a sustainable business of size and scale.

Criteria include: At least 3 years in business, have at least one employee besides the owner, and have gross annual sales of at least \$300,000. Participant must be an owner or key decision maker within the company. The course begins April 21, 2015 at Youngstown State University and runs thru October.

This seven-month-long intensive course, which is free for participants, requires a commitment of 100 hours, including 40 hours of in class training, 7 CEO mentoring group meetings, and course work assignments, as well as networking and mentoring opportunities.

Youngstown/Mahoning Valley area firms interested in the Emerging Leaders Initiative can contact Tom Sangrik at (216) 522-4198 or thomas.sangrik@sba.gov. Or you can register [here](#). More information on the Initiative is available [here](#).