

# AEO 2006 Annual Conference and Membership Meeting

The Association for Enterprise Opportunity (AEO) and co-host, Georgia Micro Enterprise Network (GMEN) invite you to attend the 16th Annual AEO Conference and Membership Meeting – ***Microenterprise Development: From Dreams to Reality.***

**May 16-19, 2006**

**Hyatt Regency Atlanta in Atlanta, Georgia**  
To register please visit [www.microenterpriseworks.org](http://www.microenterpriseworks.org)

*AEO's Annual Conference is considered the premier microenterprise development training event in the U.S. Held in different parts of the country each May, the conference offers over 80 training sessions and variety of networking opportunities focus on development and strengthening the skills of microenterprise development practitioners.*

## ***Who should attend?***

- Microenterprise Development Organizations
- Small Business Development Organizations
- Community Action Agencies
- Financial Institutions
- Government Agencies
- Economic Development Professionals
- Funders / Community and Economic Development Foundations
- Everyone who shares AEO's mission.

## **What's Hot at the AEO Conference?**

**Quality Training** – AEO offers over 80 quality workshops in nine dynamic training tracks, that focus on a wide variety of microenterprise development issues including: technology; access to capital; rural entrepreneurs; and fund raising.

**Networking Opportunities** - Networking is an important aspect of the AEO Annual Conference. AEO has scheduled several opportunities for conference participants to network with peers and leaders in the microenterprise development field. <http://www.microenterpriseworks.org/conferences/aeo2006/sessions.htm>

**Microenterprise Site Tours** – GMEN invites you to visit with the Georgia microenterprise community. Three site tours, organized by GMEN, will take place during the conference on May 16, 18, and 18.

<http://www.microenterpriseworks.org/conferences/aeo2006/sitetours.htm>

**Spanish Training Sessions** – For the first time ever the AEO conference will be offering workshops in Spanish for conference attendees. If you are a Spanish speaking practitioner working with Spanish speaking entrepreneurs or wish to expand your microenterprise services to the Spanish speaking community, don't miss this opportunity.

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**Conference Speakers** – AEO is proud to present several dynamic conference speakers including: (please visit <http://www.microenterpriseworks.org/conferences/aeo2006/speakers.htm> to view the full biographies of the AEO 2006 Conference Speakers)



**Atlanta Mayor – Shirley Franklin** – The first African American mayor of Atlanta and the first female mayor of a major Southern city.



**Fran Tarkenton** – NFL Hall of Famer, entrepreneur, and author of "What Losing Taught Me About Winning: The Ultimate Guide for Success in Small and Home-Based Business."



**Diane Wilson** – Author of "An unreasonable Woman"