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MWMCA MINORITY OUTREACH FAIR AT LIVE! CASINO & HOTEL MARYLAND BRINGS SMALL, MINORITY AND WOMAN-OWNED BUSINESSES TOGETHER FOR CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

The Biannual Event highlights Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland's commitment to its minority vendor partners throughout the region

Hanover, MD (July 22, 2025) – The Cordish Companies' Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland partnered with the Md. Washington Minority Companies Association (MWMCA) to host the 25th Minority Outreach Fair last week. The event brought together small, minority- and women-owned businesses to facilitate meetings with top prime companies throughout the region and assist them in identifying work and/or contractual opportunities. Since its inception in 2012, the event has provided the foundation for small, minority and women-owned firms to secure work. This biannual fair aims to promote networking, locate small business resources, and foster new partnerships.

"Our goal at MWMCA is to help women- and minority-owned businesses in the region overcome the challenges of identifying and gaining access to business opportunities by supporting their endeavors to explore valuable and worthwhile information," shared Wayne Frazier, President of the MWMCA. "Events like the Minority Outreach Fair seek to even the playing field and provide equitable access for significant contract prospects to dedicated local business owners. Partnering with The Cordish Companies and Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland for this event year after year offers us a venue to bring businesses and exhibitors together to break down barriers and progress in our common mission."

This Minority Outreach Fair took place at the Event Center at Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland in Hanover on Thursday, July 17, 2025, from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Attendees met and networked with some of the region's top prime businesses including Bowie State University, Constellation, Johns Hopkins University, Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland, MedStar Health, M&T Bank, St. Mary's College of MD, Loyola University of Maryland, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), University of Maryland Medical

System, and more. To view a full list of events and all 98 exhibitors, please visit [here](#). Admission to the event, parking, and exhibitor participation were all free of charge.

"We believe real impact happens when businesses invest in the community, which is why The Cordish Companies proudly hosts the Minority Outreach Fair each year," said Zed Smith, COO, The Cordish Companies. "We're grateful to play a role in helping thousands of small, minority-owned businesses secure new contracts through this event. It's an honor to once again partner with MWMCA, both as host and exhibitor, to connect with vendors and strengthen partnerships."

The Minority Outreach Fair is part of a series of regular minority outreach events produced by The Cordish Companies and the MWMCA. Through this ongoing partnership, the two organizations demonstrate a mutual commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion with a focus on supporting the economic impact of local MBE and WBE firms.

To learn more about the event, visit this [link](#) or email events@mwmca.org. For information about Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland, click [here](#). Photos of today's event are available [here](#).

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About Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland

The six-time AAA Four Diamond rated Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland opened in 2012 and is one of the largest and most luxurious commercial casinos in the country. Offering guests a range of activities including gaming, entertainment, world-class dining and hotel accommodations, Live! Casino & Hotel is consistently ranked the top tourist attraction in the state and was named one of the top 10 hotels in Maryland by U.S. News & World Report. Located between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore, and adjacent to the popular Arundel Mills Mall with free garage parking, the property features one of the area's biggest entertainment venues, The HALL at Live!, along with Maryland's #1 Sportsbook with partner FanDuel at Sports & Social Maryland. Other amenities include nearly 200 live action table games and 4,000 slot machines, a large Poker Room, two High Limit Rooms, and the Orchid Gaming & Smoking Patio. The award-winning hotel features 310 luxury guest rooms, the luxurious Live! Spa offers an array of rejuvenating and age-defying spa treatments and five spa level hotel suites that include private in-room treatment areas, and The Cordish Art Collection complete with more than 40 pieces of contemporary art from world-renowned artists including Andy Warhol. Multiple dining options including Zagat-rated The Prime Rib, David's serving breakfast, brunch, lunch and dinner, Luk Fu featuring an extensive Asian focused menu, and the County's first Korean barbecue restaurant KOHO Korean BBQ House. Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland is owned and operated by a company that is affiliated with The Cordish Companies. More information can be found [here](#).

About The Cordish Companies

The Cordish Companies' origins date back to 1910 and encompass four generations of privately-held, family ownership. During the past ten decades, The Cordish Companies has grown into a global leader in Commercial Real Estate; Entertainment Districts; Sports-Anchored Developments; Gaming; Hotels; Residential Properties; Restaurants; International Development; Coworking Spaces; and Private Equity. One of the largest and most respected developers in the

world, The Cordish Companies has been awarded an unprecedented seven Urban Land Institute Awards for Excellence for public-private developments that are of unique significance to the cities in which they are located. The Cordish Companies has developed and operates highly acclaimed dining, entertainment and hospitality destinations throughout the United States, many falling under The Cordish Companies' Live! Brand, highly regarded as one of the premier entertainment brands in the country. In gaming, The Cordish Companies has developed among the most successful casino hotel resorts in the world including the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood, Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tampa and Live! Casino & Hotel Maryland. Welcoming over 55 million visitors per year, these developments are among the highest profile dining, entertainment, gaming, hotel and sports-anchored destinations in the country. Over the generations, The Cordish Companies has remained true to the family's core values of quality, entrepreneurial spirit, long-term personal relationships, and integrity. As a testimony to the long-term vision of its family leadership, The Cordish Companies still owns and manages virtually every business it has created. For more information visit www.cordish.com or follow us on [Twitter](#).

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About Md. Washington Minority Companies Association, Inc.

In 2002, Md. Washington Minority Contractors Association, Inc. (MWMCA) originated to advocate for minority and women construction trade contractors because so much work was being completed without the utilization of said firms. Eleven (11) years later, in 2013, MWMCA evolved into Md. Washington Minority Companies Association and expanded its scope of work to include all types of companies: trade contractors, suppliers, and service providers. MWMCA has a unique offering of services with one mission in mind, "Connecting Large & Small Businesses to Work Together." Please visit our website at www.mwmca.org for more information.