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Countdown to Success NASA Partnership Events

Registration is open for event connecting local businesses with NASA
Register at <https://www.charlestoncounty.org/nasa.php>.

[Charleston County Government](#) is excited to announce an opportunity for local businesses to explore opportunities to partner with NASA. The Countdown to Success Supplier Summit will be held at Trident Technical College located at 7000 Rivers Avenue on March 25, 2020.

NASA will have agency-wide representatives from every NASA facility available for this event. Attendees will:

- Participate in the business-to-business matchmaking and networking supported by the SC Department of Commerce.
- Learn from NASA staff about becoming a NASA supplier and other opportunities NASA offers to include their technology transfer program.
- Obtain information regarding mentoring, workforce development, and resources from government organizations such as the Small Business Administration, Small Business Development Center, Charleston County Government, and more.
- Ride in an autonomous shuttle to the Countdown to Success STEM Experience and interact with the region's future workforce – area high school students who are interested in pursuing a STEM career.
- Hear Supplier Summit Luncheon keynote speaker and former NASA Administrator Major General Charles F. Bolden, Jr.

The event is \$50 per person and includes lunch.

NASA is also sending their Academic Affairs staff to provide educational outreach for students. Along with the Supplier Summit, Charleston County will hold the Countdown to Success STEM experience at the new South Carolina Aeronautical Training Center at Trident Technical College. This event will feature NASA staff, hands-on STEM activities, colleges and military branches highlighting their STEM programs, and companies promoting and recruiting STEM careers. Students will also learn about grants, scholarships, internships and apprenticeships.

The same team that brought you the 2018 Launch with NASA Small Business Forum featuring NASA Marshall Space Flight Center, which was recognized on the state and national level by the SC Association of Counties and National Association of Counties as a leading community and economic development project, is organizing the Countdown to Success Supplier Summit.

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