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Dear Prospective Chamber Member,

The Haitian American Chamber of Commerce-Treasure Coast is a newly formed chapter of the Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Florida. Our founding principle is to promote investment and trade with the Haitian private and public business sectors. We serve as a resource for our members, partners, and affiliates. Our membership provides you with benefits; conferences, workshops, invitation to participate at all Haitian American Chamber of Florida events including monthly breakfast and learn and networking events to create business opportunities, partnerships, and economic development. We believe there's strength in unity.

The Treasure Coast Chapter promotes the personal and business growth of all members. HACCOF-Treasure Coast is not only poised to be the leading voice for small business owners within the Haitian community and other minority groups on the Treasure Coast, we want to bridge the gap and connect this underserved group to financial access and workforce development.

We strive to partner with other organizations and institutions to promote entrepreneurship development in the community. We have designed a Chamber University series which includes workshops and educational events through collaborations with numerous area entities. Our seminars and workshops are hybrid and provide the possibilities of both face-to-face and online platform. Our seminars and workshops focus on marketing for your business, government contracting, international trade, financing your business, computer classes and much more.

Your membership in HACCOF-Treasure Coast is a business partnership and your voice in changes that affect the economic growth of the broader Haitian and Afro-Caribbean business community on the Treasure Coast and beyond.

I invite you to become a member of HACCOF-Treasure Coast. I look forward to providing you with a great chamber member experience and learning more about your business.

We hope to see you at one of our networking events soon!

Sincerely,

Marie L. Letin
Board Chairwoman, HACCOF- Treasure Coast



About Us

The Haitian American Chamber of Commerce-Treasure Coast is a newly formed chapter of the Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Florida, a membership based non-profit organization established in February 2005.

Our Mission

Our mission is to be the leading voice for small business owners within the Haitian American community and other minority groups on the Treasure Coast. To serve as a catalyst for addressing the critical issues facing our members and community. To promote business and economic development of the broader Haitian and Afro-Caribbean businesses in our area and to promote alliances between our Florida community and Haiti and the Caribbean.

Partnerships

We collaborate with government groups, institutions, other chambers, civic leaders, and businesses to achieve the economic growth of your business and underserved communities. HACCOF-Treasure Coast recognizes you as a leader in assisting commerce growth and development.



Ten Reasons to Join Your Haitian American Chamber of Commerce

1. Invest in Yourself & your Community-

When you join the Haitian American Chamber, you align with a group that is committed to your success. We believe, as you do, that we must work together, strategically, to achieve greater economic development in our community. When you join, you invest in yourself. L'union fait la force!

2. Intelligence-

You don't have time to stay on top of all economic, governmental, and local issues which could impact your business. We keep you informed so that you can concentrate on growing your business.

3. Business in Haiti-

Part of the Chamber's mission is to promote alliances between our Florida community and Haiti and the Caribbean. If you're interested in business, trade or research, we'll joint you in the direction of successful footsteps.

4. Stay Informed on Business & Local Issues-

We provide our members with interesting information about local businesses, a community calendar, upcoming chamber events, among other things.

5. Share Business Experiences-

The challenges you face in your business are shared by your brothers and sisters in the business community. One effective way to overcome challenges is by sharing and discussing with those who are working the same path as you.

6. Networking Opportunities & Connections-

The business owners and professionals you meet through the Chamber can help open doors, uncover opportunities, and unlock brilliant ideas.

7. Add Your Voice-

Business & community advocacy is part of our work. Your ability to influence public policy on common business issues becomes greater as more voices are added to our group membership.

8. Access to Members-Only Services-

The Chamber provides specific learning workshop, special discounts and other benefits only to its paid members.

9. Increase Your Visibility in the Community-

As a new member of the chamber of commerce, you will be listed in the Chamber's printed newsletter, e-newsletter on Haccof-treasurecoast.com and have the opportunity to be highlighted in other Chamber publications. You also grow your business by advertising with the Chamber and by sponsoring events.

10. Membership Brings Credibility to Your Business-

You increase positive perception among consumers and business owners when you're identified as a member. According to recent study by Shapiro Group, when consumers know that a small business is a member of their local chamber of commerce, they are 44 percent more likely to think favorably of it and 63 percent more likely to purchase goods and services.



Membership Application

(Please print clearly, membership packages vary by chapter location)

Your annual membership dues allow you to participate in all Chamber activities.
Your company will receive a membership certificate as well as any benefits available.

Annual Membership

- Business \$250
 Corporate \$450
 Professional \$150
 Student \$75
 Corporate Partnership (per contract)
 Trustee \$1,500
 Institutional Partnership (per contract)

How to compute
your Membership
Investment

Check above for Investment Amount: \$ _____
 Add first-year, one-time admin fee: \$ 50.00
 Total amount due with application: \$ _____

Please complete this form and return it to HACCOF with membership investment:

Company Name			
President/Owner			
Contact Person		Title	
Telephone		Cell Phone	
Company Address			
City		State/Zip	
Telephone		Fax	
E-mail		Website	
Type of Business			Year Established

Business References (Business Name, Contact Person, Telephone, E-mail). Referred by: _____

1. _____
2. _____

I hereby make application for membership in the Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Florida. When accepted, I will abide by the Chamber's by-laws, support the Chamber's objectives and pay the prescribed annual membership dues until such time as I may desire to terminate by formal written notification. All Applications are subject to Board approval.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Membership Investment Amount: \$ _____ **Payment: Check #** _____

Credit Card: Visa: _____ Master Card: _____ Amex: _____

Name on card: _____ Credit card # _____

Exp. Date _____ Digit Code _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Your cancelled check is your receipt. Please complete and sign the application form and attach your check made payable to:
Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Treasure Coast Inc. **Tax ID 86-1988294**



MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Student \$75 (Only for undergrad students)

- Submit your resume to the Chamber's database of resumes (employers may request review of all resumes in database when seeking new employees and interns)
- FREE resume/interview workshop
- Volunteer opportunities and reference letter
- Discount to chamber events
- Email blasts

Professionals (1 person) \$150

- Submit your resume to Chamber's database of resumes (employers may request review of all resumes in database when seeking new employees and interns)
- FREE resume/interview workshop
- Member certificate and new member recognition during chamber meet and greet event
- Discount to chamber events
- Email blasts
- Website directory listing-simple (Name, profession, telephone number, and email address)
- New member orientation
- Access to free member only business workshops and networking events

Business membership \$250 (1 person)

- New member recognition during chamber meet and greet event
- Membership plaque
- Discount access to certain chamber events
- Preferred website listings (Name, business name, logo, services provided, telephone number, website, email, photo)
- New member orientation
- 1 free hour of Expert business consulting in Finance, Marketing, Legal, Accounting, or Technology.
- Access to free member only business workshop and networking events

Corporate membership \$750 (2 persons)

- New membership recognition during chamber meet and greet event
- Preferred membership plaque
- One-member highlight in e-blast
- Discount access to membership events
- Preferred website listings (Name, Business name, logo, services provided, telephone number, website, email, photo)
- Two membership highlight on E-blasts
- New member orientation
- Invitation to exclusive Chamber events
- Free quarter page advertisement in the quarterly newsletter (once yearly)
- One article published in quarterly newsletter (once yearly)
- Host a breakfast event; host of cocktail networking event (optional)

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Trustee Members (4 persons) \$1,500

- New membership recognition during chamber meet and greet event Preferred membership plaque
- Two-member highlight in e-blast
- One Membership highlight in quarterly newsletter (Once yearly)
- Discount access to membership events
- Preferred website listings (Name, Business name, logo, services provided, telephone number, website, email, photo)
- New member orientation
- Invitation to exclusive Chamber events
- Free half page advertisement in the quarterly newsletter (once yearly)
- Two articles published in quarterly newsletter (once yearly)
- Private meet and greet with executive board
- Host a breakfast event; host of cocktail networking event (optional)

Corporate & Institutional Partnerships – Annual Investment

- Platinum \$25,000.00
- Diamond \$15,000.00
- Gold \$10,000.00
- Silver \$7,500.00
- Bronze \$5,000.00

ADVERTISING WITH THE CHAMBER

Member advertising rates: (outside of membership)

- \$25 for electronic ad in weekly e-blasts
- \$50 for quarter page ad in quarterly newsletter
- \$75 for half page ad in quarterly newsletter
- \$150 for full page ad in quarterly newsletter
- Current Chamber members 25% discount

