

## Sikes, Audrey

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**Subject:** Funding Request for the Lake City Black Chamber of Commerce.  
**Attachments:** Black Chamber Request.pdf

To all elected council members and city administrators: Black business owners have never had any organization in Lake City to represent their needs, desire, info to access to capital, opportunities to learn new skills that would help them become more successful, the concept of group economics, the idea of group buying power, customer service skills, managerial responsibilities and duties, CPA and Booking needs, and the importance of being able to read, write, and understand a budget and a P&L statement. Not to fund such a program tell Black business owners you don't care when all studies show and prove that small businesses are the heart beat of the United States economy. At least this chamber is asking for money to educate business owners instead of asking for money to put on events like beer and wine craft day, firework shows, and other events. This is a need not a want. When portions or sections of business owners do well we all do well. Because that is more jobs and revenue for the city and families.

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