

Minnesota Africans want to build a nonprofit public-private partnership around four issue areas: Education, Workforce, Economy and Healthcare for an integrated economic growth. Whether you are a large corporation, nonprofit, small business, school, college, university, students, recent graduates, or an individual looking to build your resume, there are many benefits to becoming a member of Minnesota Africans United.

As a **small African business owner**, being a member of Minnesota African United is a great way to:

- Advocate on behalf of the African small businesses at the state legislator, city council, county government and federal congressional delegation
- Develop relationships with businesses advisors, entrepreneurs, and other investors
- Shape our advocacy work and messaging
- Get free publicity of your business in our website, magazine and newsletter
- Discover many other African businesses for joint advocacy and promotional events that will save you money
- Receive support to main, expand and grow small business
- Connect your business to one another
- Get free publicity for your business on our interactive website
- Discover more resources such as capital investments in Minnesota
- Connect with customers and people passionate about your business
- Support the creation of social marketing campaigns to promote and celebrate African immigrants statewide
- Get involved by attending MAU Minnesota events
- Receive the latest African news through our e-newsletter and members-only LinkedIn group
- Network with business development opportunities
- Be eligible to lead MAU business committee
- Advocated for and be promoted
- Increase access to fundraising opportunities and business advisors
- Advocate for small business at the state legislature, city council, county government and congregational delegation
- Partnership for common grant application and loans