





Sponsorship Opportunities





The Ballroom at Tanglewood 5420 Westheimer Way Houston, TX, 77007

Partner with Us to Empower Businesses!

Invest in Strategy. Fuel Stability. Create Opportunity.

Sponsoring the THRIVE 2026 Summit: Beyond the Pivot — Business Unleashed is more than brand visibility—it's a strategic investment in the small businesses that power Houston's economy.

In a year defined by change, uncertainty, and transformation, your support helps business owners access the tools, relationships, and resources they need to compete, scale, and grow. When you sponsor THRIVE, you don't just show up—you show what your organization stands for.

***** Why Sponsor the THRIVE Summit?

★ Purpose with Impact

Fuel real outcomes for business owners navigating an unpredictable economy—capital access, procurement opportunities, and strategic growth.

Targeted Reach

Connect with entrepreneurs, growing companies, decision-makers, and corporate procurement leaders from across industries and communities.

Relationship-Driven Visibility

Sponsorship places your organization at the center of a high-value ecosystem built on collaboration, stability, and economic opportunity.

Brand Credibility

Align your brand with a Chamber that has spent a decade building an inclusive business engine for the region—where LGBTQ+ and Allied businesses succeed together.

<u>Sponsor Today!</u>

Sponsorships and Matchmaker engagement are limited to current Chamber Partners. If your company is not a Chamber Partner and is interested in sponsoring and/or participating in this event, please contact the Chamber Office at **info@houstonlgbtchamber.com** or 832-510-3002.

Be Part of the Ecosystem that Strengthens Houston

Strong businesses don't grow in isolation. They thrive because they have access—to capital, contracting opportunities, community, and corporate partners who believe in creating an economy where everyone belongs.

Let's build stability, unlock opportunity, and accelerate economic success together.

★ Become a THRIVE 2026 Sponsor Today!



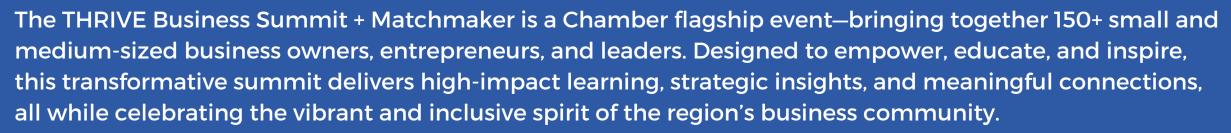






Sponsorship Levels - THRIVE Business Summit + Matchmaker









Benefits	Presenting Sponsor \$15,000	Visionary Sponsor \$10,000	Innovator Sponsor \$5,000	Champion Sponsor \$2,500	Supporter Sponsor \$1,000
Logo recognition - event promotions, social media, & onsite signage	o ii	•	•	•	
Logo recognition - Wall of Appreciation & end-of-year sponsor recognition	•	•	•	•	
Participate as a buyer in the Matchmaker	•	•	•	•	•
Highlighted as a Matchmaker buyer - logo recognition	•	•	•	•	
Highlighted as a Matchmaker buyer - name recognition					•
Complimentary event tickets	10	8	6	4	2
Logo recognition - onsite program, press releases and other event materials (if applicable)	•	•	•		
Complimentary double event exhibitor space, premier location	•				
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Ad in digital program (provided by sponsor)	1 page	1/2 page	1/4 page		
Featured post on Chamber blog (provided by sponsor)	•	•	•		
Opportunity to introduce a panel or breakout session		•			
Money allocated to Chamber Champion Fund & recognition as Chamber Champion Fund supporter	\$500	\$250			
Opportunity to deliver welcome remarks at the Summit, showcasing your commitment to small business growth and the LGBTQ+ business Community	•				
Featured sponsor email to attendees after the event (provided by sponsor)	•				
Small Business Scholarship Tickets	10	5			
Name recognition - event promotions, social media, & onsite signage					•
Name recognition - Wall of Appreciation & end-of-year sponsor recognition					•

i - prime location; ii - highest level; Note: All logo recognition benefits will be tiered by sponsorship level from highest to lowest. **Sponsor Today!**

Why Sponsor the THRIVE Business Summit?

Event Highlights

Sponsoring the THRIVE Business Summit & Matchmaker is more than an opportunity to promote your brand—it's a way to demonstrate your commitment to small business success, economic inclusion, and LGBTQ+ empowerment.

By partnering with the Chamber, you'll gain:

- <u>Targeted Visibility:</u> Reach a focused audience of LGBTQ+ and Allied small business owners, entrepreneurs, and leaders.
- <u>Brand Alignment:</u> Showcase your organization as a champion for inclusion and economic growth.
- <u>Networking Opportunities:</u> Build meaningful connections with attendees and other sponsors.
- <u>Community Impact:</u> Directly support the Chamber's mission to foster economic inclusion for the LGBTQ+ community, including entrepreneurs.

What to Expect at the THRIVE Small Business Summit

The THRIVE Business Summit is a one-day event thoughtfully designed to inspire small business owners and provide resources,

tools, meaningful connections, and actionable insights for attendees. The day is structured to ensure a dynamic, engaging, and impactful experience.



Inspiring Keynote Speakers

Hear from influential leaders who have navigated the challenges of entrepreneurship and achieved remarkable success. Their stories will inspire and empower attendees to tackle their own business journeys with confidence.

Educational Panels

Dive deep into topics that matter most to small businesses, including:

- Marketing
- Strategy development
- Customer retention
- Accessing funding and financial resources

Interactive Breakout Sessions

• Smaller, focused sessions provide an opportunity to learn practical skills and strategies on topics like business planning, business pitch, and scaling operations. These sessions allow for direct interaction with experts and peers.

Be part of this day to help small businesses THRIVE.

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Matchmaker Program

The Matchmaker is one of the most anticipated features of the Summit! This program facilitates one-on-one, pre-scheduled meetings between small business owners and "buyers" including LGBTQ+ Employee Resource Groups (ERGs), and supplier diversity partners. It's an unparalleled opportunity to create meaningful connections.

Exhibitor Showcase

Explore the Exhibitor Showcase, where businesses and organizations share products, services, and resources designed to support small business growth. Sponsors and exhibitors gain direct access to attendees eager to discover tools to help them thrive.

Networking Opportunities

The Summit includes dedicated networking to build relationships with fellow entrepreneurs, business leaders, and potential partners in a relaxed, inclusive environment.

By sponsoring the Summit, you're not just supporting this programming—you're helping LGBTQ+-owned and other small businesses thrive while gaining unparalleled exposure to a motivated and diverse audience.



Sponsors are invited to participate as buyers as part of the Matchmaker sessions.

B₂C

The B2C Matchmaker brings together certified suppliers with local Chamber Corporate Partners for procurement opportunities.

B2B

Connect with other businesses through the B2B Matchmaker. Bringing together certified suppliers with other suppliers to learn about opportunities to work and partner together, perhaps on tiered contract opportunities or other types of partnerships.

B₂E

The B2E connects small business members, including LGBTQ+-owned businesses, with Chamber Impact Partner LGBTQ+ Employee Resource Groups (ERG). This engagement is a powerful resource for ERGs who are making plans for Pride Month and want to focus on intentional spending with LGBTQ+ owned businesses. Through the B2E, the Chamber gives LGBTQ+ owned and Allied owned businesses an opportunity to share their products or services.



Engage in this sponsorship opportunity and be part of the THRIVE Business Summit & Matchmaker event!

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Take Action Today - Partner with Us to Empower Small Businesses!

The **THRIVE Business Summit & Matchmaker** is more than an event—it's a day focused on supporting and uplifting small businesses, fostering economic growth, and championing inclusion. By becoming a sponsor, your organization will make a lasting impact on the LGBTQ+ and Allied business community while benefiting from unparalleled exposure and engagement.

Don't miss this opportunity to align your brand with innovation, diversity, and empowerment!

Secure Your Spot Now!

Make your mark at the **THRIVE Business Summit**—partner with us to help LGBTQ+ and Allied small businesses and the community thrive!

Sponsorship opportunities are limited. Reserve your sponsorship TODAY!

