



## Friends of the Corridor

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### SKILLS BANK LAUNCHES

Responding to the identified needs of our members and the growing number of qualified individuals who are seeking employment in the area's knowledge-based industries, I am pleased to announce the launch of the "[Skills Bank](#)," representing the first phase of our soon-to-be-released online "Talent Portal."

Designed to marry the need for technically-skilled labor with a nationwide talent pool that is increasingly identifying Charleston as a desirable place to live and work, the Talent Portal will register career seekers by skill set so that member companies can search by keyword and quickly identify qualified candidates in the system prior to reviewing a resume.

### CORRIDOR WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

The Digital Corridor is pleased to welcome [Digital Lifestyle Outfitters \(DLO\)](#) to the Charleston Digital Corridor. DLO has relocated their corporate headquarters from Raleigh, NC. DLO designs, markets, sells and distributes a wide range of products and accessories for portable digital devices. DLO products can be found and purchased at over 1,000 major retail locations worldwide. You have to check out the iboom!

In addition to DLO, the Digital Corridor is pleased to welcome the following companies that operate in the Charleston area:

- [INFOARCH](#)
- [NanoScreen](#)
- [Zafari](#)
- [Amalgamated Worldwide Corporation \(AWC\)](#)
- [Argolyn Biosciences](#)

### FRIDAYS @ THE CORRIDOR

Thanks for everyone's feedback from our first "FRIDAYS @ THE CORRIDOR" event, which by all accounts was a wonderful success. Blackbaud attorney, Andy Howell, provided us with some terrific insights on their recent IPO.

These members-only events are scheduled for the third Friday of every month, and are intended to engage individuals and organizations that play an important role in shaping Charleston's growing knowledge-based economy. Like the subjects that change monthly, so does the guest list. Information about the "Fridays at the Corridor" gathering is posted to the [announcement section](#) of the Digital Corridor website.

The event is limited to twenty invited guests and is held from 9-10 am on the respective Friday at the Charleston Digital Corridor's office at 392-A Meeting Street. Please [send us an email](#) if you are interested in attending.

#### THE CHARLESTON DIGITAL CORRIDOR NEEDS YOU

With the rollout of the talent portal, all of the Digital Corridor's 2004 initiatives are now in various stages of implementation. I appreciate the financial support of the various [individuals and organizations](#) that have made a commitment to assisting with growth of Charleston's knowledge-based community. With your support we will only get better. If you are not a member of the Charleston Digital Corridor, you can [sign up online](#).

#### ANNUAL NETWORKING PARTY

We are planning the first annual Charleston Digital Corridor networking party on November 11th between 5:00 & 7:30 pm. This limited attendance event to be held at the Maritime Center on the Charleston Harbor will be a blast. If you are interested in attending, please [send us an email](#) so that we can add you to the list. It will be casual... very casual!!!

#### WEBSITE

Its here!! Our new website has been launched. There are a few tweaks that will be made over the next month. We are always looking for feedback so please visit the site and provide us with your suggestions and comments.

While on the subject of improvements, we will soon be making some improvements to Corridor's quarterly newsletter. If there are any items you'd like to see added, please [let us know](#).

PS: We will still focus on the growth of technology and knowledge-based companies in Charleston and NOT what they are doing in Silicon Valley!

#### THANK YOU

Finally, thank you for your continued support of the Charleston Digital Corridor. All of our success is possible because of the terrific civic engagement and collaboration the Charleston Digital Corridor has received from you. Also a special thanks to Andy Howell for taking the time to share his insights with us at the first "Fridays at the Corridor" event. Continued Success to all of you.

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