



Get Up and Go! Conference for Women in Career Transition



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UNEMPLOYMENT IS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS IN history. Nearly 15 million Americans are out of work. The Weston branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) wants to do something about that. It is hosting “Get Up and Go!” – a conference for business and professional women in career transition – on Saturday, February 12th.

“The conference is intended for women who are currently unemployed, underemployed, or unhappy or uncertain about their present job,” explains Dr. Kamala Anandam, president of Weston AAUW. “Many of these women are at a loss as to what their options are for making the transition and/or are afraid to take the next step.”

She says the group chose the title “Get Up and Go!” for a reason. The “get up” represents the motivational aspect, while the “go” will cover the basics of entrepreneurship as an option. Participants will learn about the tools and resources available to help them take charge of the next phase of their professional life.

“We expect the participants to realize that there is more to them than they thought there was; to feel empowered to take the next step; to understand the basics of entrepreneurship; to get a handle on their own passion; to network with women in similar situations; and to learn they can rely on

AAUW Weston,” states Dr. Anandam.

The program will feature motivational speakers and interactive sessions. The keynote speaker will be Mandy Bass, founder and CEO of Priority Living Systems, a professional coaching and training firm and the inspirational force behinds hundreds of successful professionals. Bass has been advising self-employed professionals, entrepreneurs, and fast-track corporations around the country for more than a decade. The luncheon speaker will be Dr. Susan Amat, executive director of The Launch Pad at the University of Miami, which offers career guidance, resources and advice to entrepreneurs, innovators and inventors. The Launch Pad serves both beginning and experienced entrepreneurs, assisting with opportunity recognition, feasibility assessment, and strategy for starting and growing companies or non-profits.

In order to provide personal attention to each participant, the “Get Up and Go!” conference is limited to only 50 women. You can register online at www.aauwwestonbranch.org/GetUpandGO.html. There will be no onsite registration. The registration fee is \$35 and covers morning snacks, lunch and conference materials. The program will take place on Saturday, February 12th, from 9:30am until 2pm, at American Intercontinental University, 2250 N. Commerce Parkway in Weston.

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