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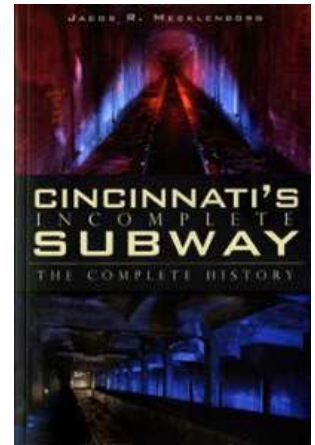
On Thursday, September 16, Give Back Cincinnati will host an event to showcase Cincinnati's newest young professional retention tool called [FUEL Cincinnati](#). FUEL provides technical assistance, volunteers, capital funds, and directional assistance to individuals who are looking for the means to start a new business in Cincinnati.

FUEL is a program of [Give Back Cincinnati](#), which uses a diverse set of resources to enhance neighborhoods through the use of volunteers and leadership development. They are the region's largest young professional organization.

Thursday's event lasts from 6pm to 8pm at [Northside Tavern](#), and is free and open to the public. Reservations are appreciated due to limited space and can be [made online](#). The event will discuss new ideas for the region, will describe the types of programs that FUEL seeks to fund, and will provide insight about how to apply. The event will also feature the opportunity to submit ideas for a \$1,000 grant. Free appetizers and drink specials will be available.

Northside Tavern ([map](#)) is located in the highly accessible Northside neighborhood. Plenty of on- and off-street parking is available. Northside is served by several bus lines ([plan your trip](#)), and was the first neighborhood in the city to install free, [on-street bicycle parking](#) in addition to the many bicycle racks found along the neighborhood's sidewalks.

[Read more](#) about FUEL Cincinnati in this week's issue of Soapbox.



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"FUEL provides technical assistance, volunteers, capital funds, and directional assistance to individuals who are looking for the means to start a new business in Cincinnati."

If they're trying to encourage small start-ups in Cincinnati their funds and efforts might be better spent lobbying the city and county for reductions in regulatory, licensing, and taxation burdens. I operated a small consulting business in Cincinnati a few years ago and wound up having to pay city income taxes and penalties on income I earned during years I neither worked nor lived in Cincinnati. In the course of corresponding with the city about this I was sent tax forms and information from other companies owned by people I don't know.

I think really FUEL is working at cross purposes to the city and county who presumably would like to discourage small businesses and startups, I doubt they'll be very successful fighting city hall.

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