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BEDC TRAINING GRADS LEARN WHILE THEY EARN

BROOKLYN, NY, December 19, 2005—Graduates of Brooklyn Economic Development Corporation's entrepreneur training programs put their business and marketing know-how to work by selling gift items from their small businesses at the organization's Winter Bazaar held Dec. 16 at St. Ann and the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Brooklyn Heights.

BEDC currently offers three entrepreneur training programs—the Entrepreneur Assistance Program, a 15-week program for current and aspiring entrepreneurs; LAUNCH, a program for individuals with a mental health diagnosis; and On Track, a program for individuals with physical and visual disabilities.

BEDC, a private, nonprofit organization, was established in 1979 to stimulate Brooklyn's economy and create job opportunities for the borough and its residents. BEDC has evolved into a multi-service, business-consulting agency, serving more than 1,000 clients annually and offering comprehensive economic development services. More information is available at www.bedc.org.