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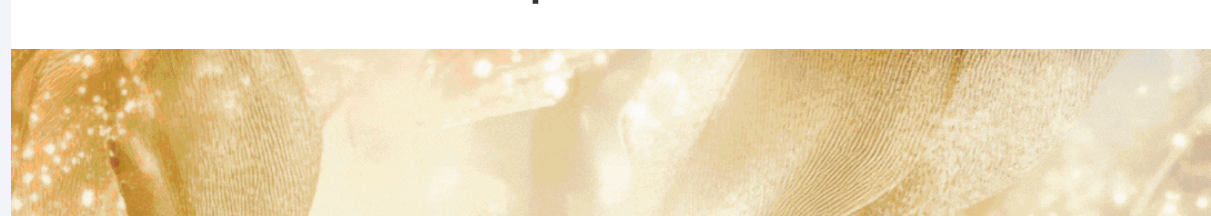
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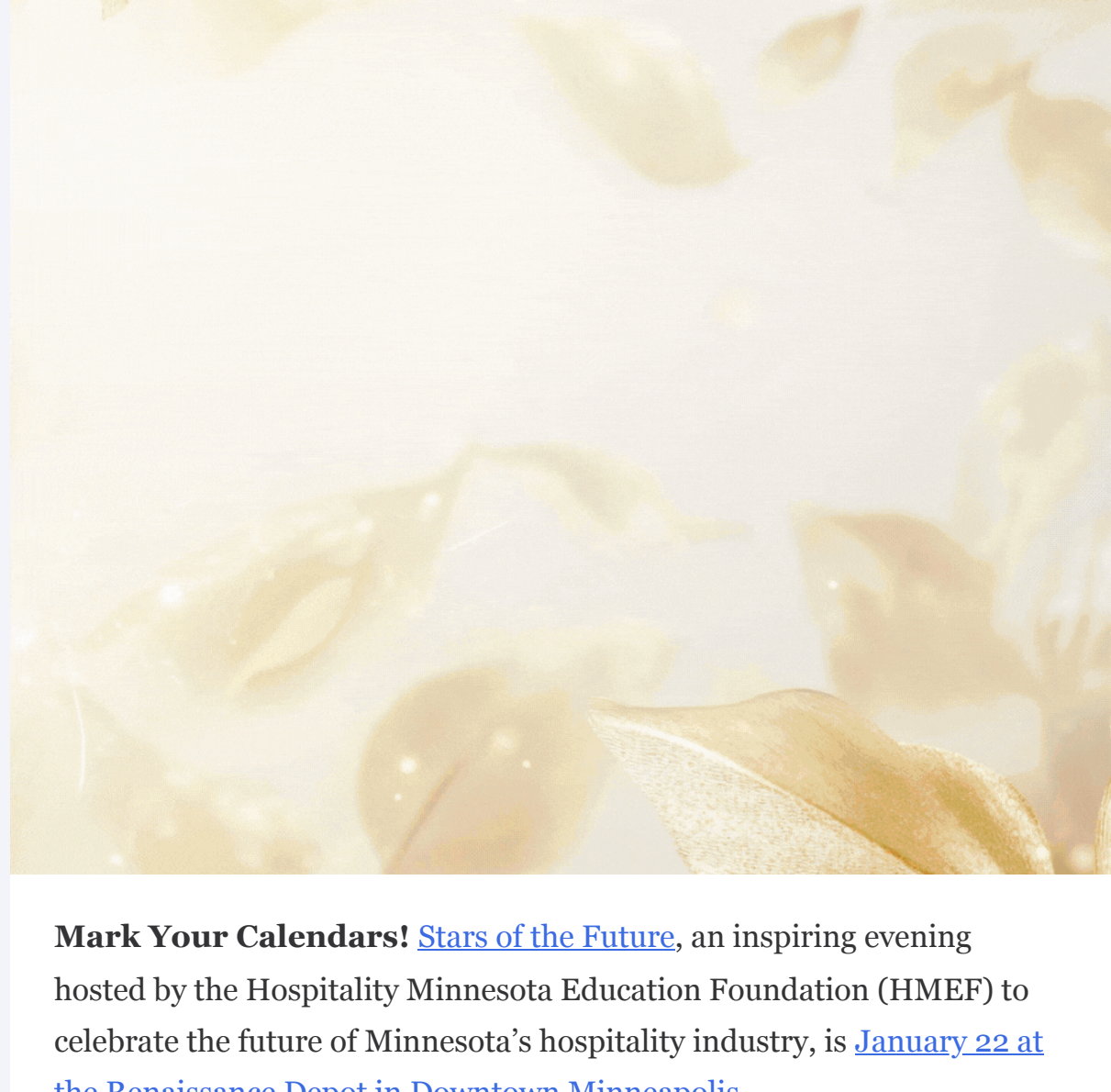
In today's December 8, 2025 Update:

- You're Invited: 2026 Stars of the Future at Renaissance Depot
- Reminder: 2026 Investment Catalog Now Available
- Wednesday: Operating Now on Hospitality Real Estate
- Mark Your Calendars: First Business Conditions Survey of 2026 Coming in February
- Get ServSafe Certified This Winter at a Class Near You!
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Is your organization interested in sponsorship? [Email us](#) to learn more.



Stars of the Future January 22 at the Renaissance Depot



Mark Your Calendars! [Stars of the Future](#), an inspiring evening hosted by the Hospitality Minnesota Education Foundation (HMEF) to celebrate the future of Minnesota's hospitality industry, is [January 22 at the Renaissance Depot in Downtown Minneapolis](#).

Why it matters: Your participation supports HMEF's mission of investing in our industry's future by training the workforce of today and inspiring the leaders of tomorrow. HMEF has made a tremendous impact on students across Minnesota offering the ProStart and Hospitality & Tourism Management career-building programs to schools.

- **About the event:** Stars of the Future is more than a fundraiser to support Minnesota students pursuing their dreams in culinary, lodging, tourism, and hospitality management—it's a night to celebrate the spirit, drive, and potential of our industry's future workforce.

How to participate: Those interested in attending are also invited to sponsor a table at the fundraiser or donate an auction item to make an impact.

[Register Now](#)

Discover More Visibility Options with HM's 2026 Investment Catalog



Calling those interested in our investment opportunities: Now is the time to secure your 2026 agreements with the association.

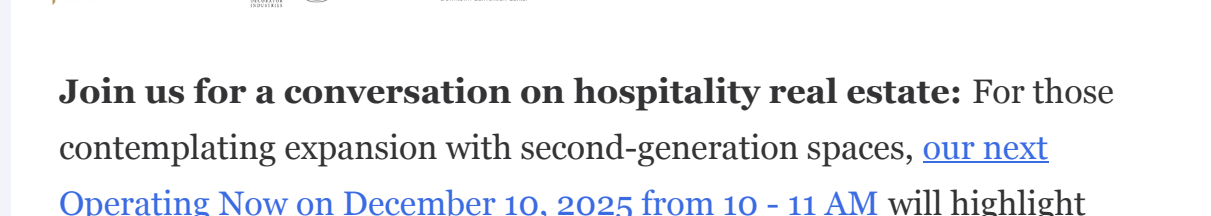
What's available:

- **Event sponsorships:** Elevate your brand at our signature events, including Stars of the Future, Day at the Capitol, HM's Golf Tournament, and more.
- **Leaders Fund partnerships:** These partnerships provide the stable, three-year commitment HMEF requires to build and sustain Minnesota's essential hospitality workforce pipeline.
- **Digital advertising contracts:** Standard banner ad placements, co-branded emails, and sponsored content.
- **and more!**

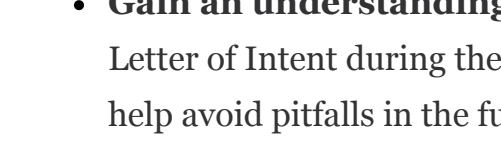
Ready to secure your 2026 success? [Contact us](#) to discuss your options and finalize your agreement. Don't delay – act now!

[Check out the Catalog](#)

Wednesday: Operating Now on Hospitality Real Estate



Hot Topics in Real Estate for the Hospitality and Restaurant Industries
Hosted by Hospitality Minnesota and Monroe Moxness Berg
Wednesday, December 10, 2025 | 10:00 AM



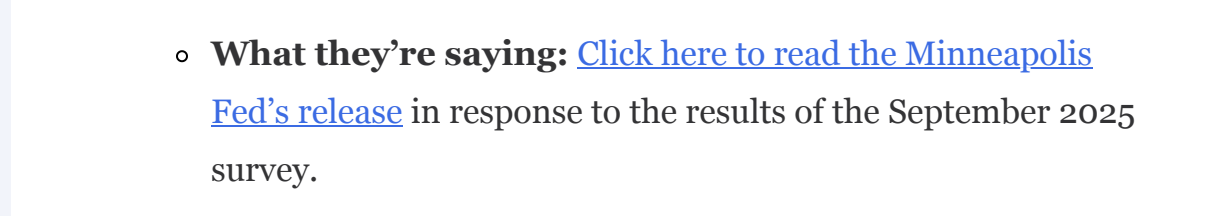
Join us for a conversation on hospitality real estate: For those contemplating expansion with second-generation spaces, [our next Operating Now on December 10, 2025 from 10 - 11 AM](#) will highlight important factors to consider and common pitfalls to avoid.

By joining this webinar, attendees will:

- **Discover the nuances** of what goes in to remodeling 2nd generation space.
- **Gain an understanding** of what may be helpful to include in a Letter of Intent during the early stages of a real estate transaction to help avoid pitfalls in the future.
- **Explore operational considerations** of real estate to help manage business costs and enhance efficiency.
- **Hear about often-overlooked details** regarding the intersection of cannabis operations with commercial lending covenants, lease structures, and risk management strategies.

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On The Horizon: 2026 Business Conditions Survey



Mark your calendars now: Next year, Hospitality Minnesota will be once again joining forces with the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis for our seasonal Hospitality Conditions Survey. The survey will go live in early February!

- **Why it matters:** Your input to previous iterations of this survey helped the Minneapolis Fed and Hospitality Minnesota educate business leaders, policymakers, and the public about current conditions impacting our industry.

- **What they're saying:** [Click here to read the Minneapolis Fed's release](#) in response to the results of the September 2025 survey.

What your participation revealed last time: [Our key takeaways from September's Hospitality Conditions Survey](#) revealed an industry struggling with declining revenue while navigating higher costs and other compounding obstacles.

- **Have you yet to participate in the survey? Here's why we need your voice.** The more responses we receive to February's survey, the more informed our priorities will be as we embark on another legislative session.

Register Your Team for an Upcoming ServSafe Class



Did you know: You can see our ServSafe class offerings in partnership with Food Safety Guy on our Event Calendar!

- **Why it matters:** Except for satellite or catered feeding sites, all food enterprises in Minnesota are required to have at least one full-time employee who has completed a Food Manager Certification program like ServSafe™.

Upcoming classes:

- [Fridley - December 9](#)
- [Owatonna - December 9](#)
- [Duluth - December 10](#)
- [Fairmont - December 10](#)
- [Worthington - December 12](#)
- [Mankato - December 16](#)
- [Winona - December 16](#)
- [Woodbury - December 16](#)

[Find Your ServSafe Class](#)

In the News

- [Minneapolis restaurant Hola Arepa resists attempted ICE raid](#) | Bring Me The News
- [Enat Ethiopian Restaurant is open in Rochester](#) | Rochester Post Bulletin
- [Saturday Dumpling Co. opens second stand-alone Minneapolis restaurant](#) | Bring Me The News
- [Owner of Lutsen Resort charged with arson, insurance fraud after fire destroyed historic resort](#) | CBS News Minnesota
- [Minnesota in OK financial position, but fraud top of mind for politicians](#) | Minnesota Reformer
- [Uptown Minneapolis is About to Get "Toasted"](#) | Restaurant News

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