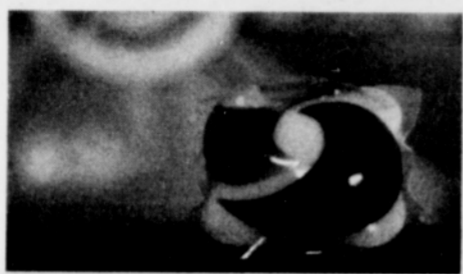


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LOCAL NEWS

Small Business Success

PSU program helps minority and women entrepreneurs

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As entrepreneurs face challenges from the current state of the economy, one local university program is determined to help small businesses succeed.

The Business Outreach Program at Portland State University is dedicated to assist small and local businesses, including emerging minority and women-owned entrepreneurs, achieve their potential.

"The Business Outreach Program was originally created with the intent to provide students with the opportunity of community-based learning in order to give back to their community, aligning with PSU's motto of letting knowledge serve the city," said Lara Damon, director of the program.

Founded in 1994, the business outreach program has supported over 650 companies, placed over 1,650 students as consultants and provided \$1 million worth of consulting services to underserved small businesses and residents.

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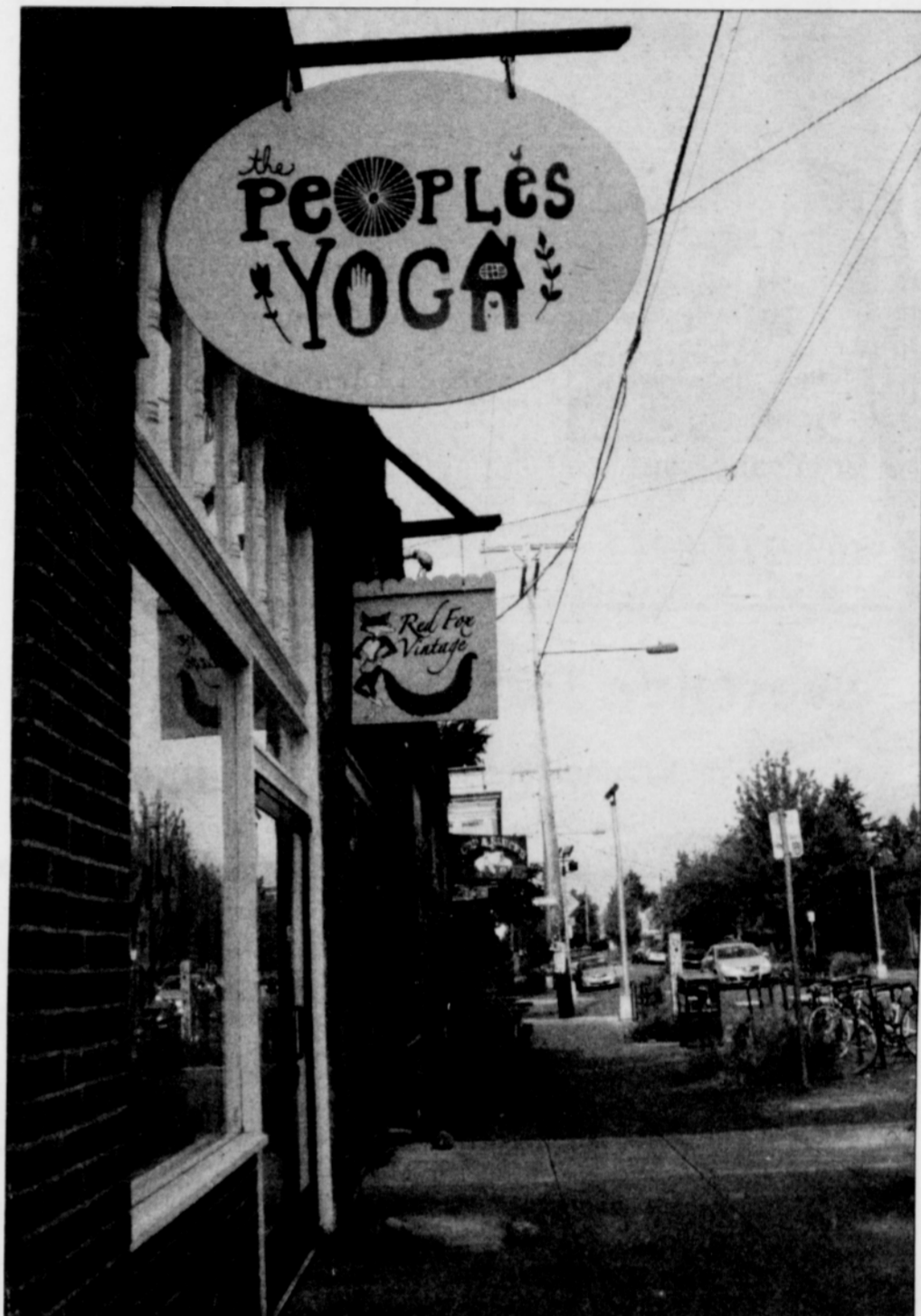


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Portland State University's Business Outreach Program helps small and local businesses, like People's Yoga on Northeast Killingsworth Street.

Milwaukie Light Rail Funded Feds kick-in \$745 million for Max expansion

U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood announced an agreement for the Federal Transit Administration to provide \$745.2 million to Tri-Met for the Portland-Milwaukie light rail project, which will significantly expand transit options and create easier commutes between downtown Portland and the Milwaukie suburbs.

"Portland's commitment to public transportation and its visionary light rail and streetcar services have made it one of the most livable, sustainable and economically vibrant cities in America," said LaHood. "The Portland-Milwaukie light rail project will bring more great transportation options to people in

the region, create thousands of jobs during construction and boost economic development along the new

emony last week in Portland. The FTA grant clears the way for TriMet to begin construction of the light

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line for years to come."

Federal Transit Administrator Peter Rogoff signed the full-funding grant agreement during a cer-

rail extension and covers half of the total cost of the \$1.49 billion project.

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