



Business Advising & Training

Business Impact NW

Launch, grow, or fund your small business with classes, workshops, one-on-one coaching, referrals, and loans. Home of Washington Women's Business Center, Veterans Business Outreach Center, Food Business Resource Center, and the Loan Readiness Center

Open to all, with an emphasis on serving underserved populations; Spanish-speaking; other translation services available

Email: info@businessimpactnw.org
Phone: 206-324-4330
Website: businessimpactnw.org

Childcare Resources

Provides training to immigrants and refugees, enabling them to achieve sustainable careers in the childcare field; Provides childcare centers with consultants trained to offer one-on-one support

Serves childcare providers in King County

Email: provider@childcare.org
Phone: 206-329-1011 and 1-800-446-1114
Website: childcare.org

City of Kent Economic Development

Works closely with stakeholders to identify creative solutions to challenging problems that enhance economic growth and expand opportunities for residents and business owners

Serves residents of Kent, WA

Email: EconomicDevelopment@KentWA.gov
Phone: 253-856-5454
Website: KentWA.gov

Communities Rise

Business legal support and training to connect small businesses with the support they need to grow

Serves South King County income-eligible business owners; Spanish-speaking

Email: contact@communities-rise.org
Phone: 206-324-5850
Website: communities-rise.org

El Centro de la Raza Business Opportunity Center

Provides small business owners and entrepreneurs with business development advice, credit counseling, group classes, and access to a variety of services to foster long-term financial stability

Serves low-moderate income residents of King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties; Spanish-speaking

Email: vcserrato@elcentrodelaraza.org
Phone: 360-986-7022
Website: elcentrodelaraza.org/get-help/education-asset-building-programs/business-opportunity-center-and-financial-empowerment/

Food Innovation Network

Support for aspiring entrepreneurs from South King County through business coaching, networking, support obtaining permits, securing subsidized kitchen rent, and marketing opportunities

Serves low- and moderate-income immigrants and refugees in South King County

Email: Njambi@foodinnovationnetwork.org
Phone: 206-291-7407
Website: foodinnovationnetwork.org

Impact Washington – NIST MEP

A non-profit organization dedicated to delivering value-driven consulting and training solutions to WA-based manufacturers, helping them compete and grow.

Serves manufacturing businesses in WA

Email: info@impactwashington.org
Phone: 425-438-1146
Website: impactwashington.org

Native Business Center

Indian Country's hub for Native business news, training, technical assistance, and resources

Serves Native-owned small businesses in WA

Email: tracy@sisterskyinc.com
Phone: 509-315-9808
Website: nativebusinesscenter.com



Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

Individual, confidential, no-cost advising on all phases of business development

Four offices serving South King County businesses; Spanish-speaking advisors available

Green River College Small Business Center- Kent Station Campus
Email: kgrossman@greenriver.edu
Phone: 253-520-6260
Website: grcsmallbusiness.org

Green River College Small Business Center- Auburn Center
Email: thornby@greenriver.edu
Phone: 253-520-6260
Website: grcsmallbusiness.org

Highline College Small Business Development Center- Des Moines
Email: sbdc@highline.edu
Phone: 206-592-4151
Website: sbdc.highline.edu

Washington Small Business Development Center- Tukwila
Email: washington@wsbdc.org
Phone: 206-246-4445
Website: wsbdc.org

South Sound/ Tacoma SCORE

Mentorship program pairing business owners with experienced business professionals who volunteer their time to help others start and grow their businesses

Serves startup and existing businesses in South King, Pierce, Thurston, Lewis, Mason, and Grays Harbor Counties

Email: score.tacoma@gmail.com
Phone: 1-855-685-0166
Website: tacoma.score.org

StartZone

Accessible, affordable training, consulting, and other support for building small businesses that are bankable, profitable, and sustainably connected to the local economy

Serves residents of South King County

Email: psivongxay@highline.edu
Phone: 206-592-3220
Website: startzone.highline.edu

University of Washington Consulting and Business Development Center

Group and individual consulting and business courses

Serves underrepresented/ minority-owned businesses, and businesses in underserved and economically distressed areas

Email: gmichan@uw.edu
Phone: 206 543-9545
Website: foster.uw.edu/consult

Ventures

One-stop-shop for low-cost business training, coaching, loans, and startup incubation programs

Serves income-eligible startup and current WA-based small business owners; Spanish-speaking

Email: info@venturesnonprofit.org
Phone: 206-352-1945
Website: venturesnonprofit.org

Veterans Business Outreach Center

Business support for active duty, veterans, and their families, including training, coaching, and networking events

Serves Active Duty, Veterans, Guard/Reserve Members and Military spouses starting, purchasing or growing a business

Email: vboc@businessimpactnw.org
Phone: 206-324-4330
Website: businessimpactnw.org/vboc

Washington Center for Women in Business

Training, mentoring, and business development assistance focused on supporting women entrepreneurs

Specializes in serving women owners of small and medium size businesses

Email: info@wcwb.org
Phone: 360-754-6320
Website: wcwb.org



Washington Procurement Technical Assistance Center

No cost, confidential, individual technical assistance on all aspects of selling to government entities

Serves established King County firms involved or interested in government contract procurement; Spanish-speaking

Email: dsundell@greenriver.edu;
king@washingtonptac.org
Phone: 253-520-6267
Website: <https://www.greenriver.edu/students/academics/continuing-community-education/small-business-center/government/>

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

African Chamber of Commerce of the Pacific Northwest

Membership-based training, networking, and advocacy for businesses to develop in emerging markets of Africa

Specializes in serving businesses working with or in Africa; BIPOC, women, and immigrants

Email:
african.chamberofcommerce@commerce.wa.gov
Phone: 206-256-6139
Website: accpnw.com

Auburn Chamber of Commerce

Membership organization dedicated to advocacy, education, workforce development, and business support

Specializes in serving businesses in Auburn, Algona, Pacific, and surrounding areas

Email: connect@auburnareawa.org
Phone: 253-833-0700
Website: auburnareawa.org

GSBA Washington State's LGBTQ+ & Allied Chamber of Commerce

LGBTQ+-appropriate business resources, training, and support

Specializes in serving members of the LGBTQ+ community and allied businesses

Email: biztech@thegsba.org
Phone: 206-363-9188
Website: thegsba.org

Kent Chamber of Commerce

Membership organization offering networking opportunities, business education services, legislative advocacy, and one-on-one technical assistance

Serves businesses in South King County

Email: info@kentchamber.com
Phone: 253-854-1770
Website: kentchamber.com

Kent Downtown Partnership (KDP)

Community building programs for Kent's Downtown area, including networking, advocacy, and business advancement

Serves Kent historic downtown businesses, residents, and property owners

Email: info@kentdowntown.org
Phone: 253-813-6976
Website: downtownkentwa.com

Renton Chamber of Commerce

Local business support, including leadership development, networking opportunities, advocacy, and resources to promote business prosperity

Specializing in serving businesses in Renton

Email: Use Contact Form on website
Phone: 425-226-4560
Website: gorenton.com/chamber-of-commerce/chamber-home.html



Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce

High-quality networking and professional development, cost-saving programs, and local/ regional advocacy

Serves businesses in South King County

Email: info@seattlechamber.com

Phone: 206-389-7200

Website: seattlechamber.com

Seattle Southside Chamber of Commerce

Community-driven information and resources for local businesses to help them grow

Serves businesses South of Seattle and in South King County

Email: staff@seattlesouthsidechamber.com

Phone: 206-575-1633

Website: seattlesouthsidechamber.com

Tabor100

Association of entrepreneurs and business advocates committed to building economic power and social equity for African-Americans and community at large.

Membership provides access to one-on-one support, business professional services, trainings, and networking events.

Serves African Americans and the community at large, specializing in small businesses

Email: staff@tabor100.org

Phone: 425-528-0108

Website: tabor100.org

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

Asia Pacific Cultural Center

Culturally-appropriate one-on-one small business technical assistance

Specializes in serving members of the Asian and Pacific Islander communities

Email: faaluaina@asiapacificculturalcenter.org

Phone: 253-478-3941

Website: asiapacificculturalcenter.org

Centro Rendu

Supporting Latino immigrant families through education, social services, legal advocacy, and leadership development

Serves Immigrant families, youth and seniors in Northwest WA; Spanish-speaking

Email: centrorendu@sudpseattle.org

Phone: 253-499-4245

Website: centrorendu.org

Ethiopian Community in Seattle

Community organization that holds monthly membership meetings to share information, network, and make referrals, including for culturally aware legal advice

Serves African, African American or Black, Multi-Racial business owners throughout King County; Amharic-speaking

Email: info@ecseattle.org; sophiab@ecseattle.org

Phone: 206-325-0304

Website: www.ecseattle.org

Filipino Community of Seattle

Offers one-on-one business consultations, for assistance with topics such as networking, marketing, budgeting, translations, and grant applications

Serves Filipino and South Cambodian business owners in King County and throughout WA; services available in Filipino dialects

Email: info@filcommsea.org

Phone: 206-722-9372

Website: filcommsea.org

Horn of Africa

Social service provider offering support to entire family (16 months-seniors), including business technical support to women-owned home childcare providers

Serves East African immigrants and refugees in King County; Afaan Oromo, Amharic, and Tigrinya-speaking

Email: info@hoas.org
Phone: 206-760-0550
Website: hoas.org

Indian American Community Services (IACS, formerly IAWW)

Small business support services, including mentoring, translation, marketing, and legal services

Specializes in serving members of the Indian American and underserved communities

Email: directorcommunity@iaww.org
Phone: 253-234-9989
Website: iacswa.org

Iraqi Community Center

Technical assistance and referrals for small businesses

Specializes in serving refugees, immigrants, and startups

Email: info@irccw.org
Phone: 253-243-7744
Website: irccw.org

Muslim Association of Puget Sound

Culturally-appropriate technical assistance offered in nine resource categories

Serving any small businesses

Email: smallbiz@mapsredmond.org
Phone: 425-861-9555
Website: mapsredmond.org

Seattle Washington State Korean Association

Technical assistance offered via the Korean American Resource Center

Specializes in serving members of the Korean community; business owners requiring technology assistance

Email: cc19tf@gmail.com
Phone: 206-428-3762
Website: seattleka.org

UTOPIA WA

Culturally-appropriate resources based in advocacy, education, and research

Specializes in serving members of the LGBTQIA+ communities, centering members of the Queer & Trans Pacific Islanders

Email: mail@utopiawa.org
Phone: 253-478-3941
Website: utopiawa.org

World Relief

Navigation services for refugee and asylee resettlement including job training; assistance starting a business; access to capital; English language training; immigration and legal services; immigration detention ministry; children and family services

Serves refugee, immigrant, and asylee small business owners

Email: dfernandez@wr.org or infoseattle@wr.org
Phone: 253-277-1121
Website: worldreliefseattle.org

Financing Providers

Business Impact NW

A compassionate small business nonprofit lender that is more flexible than traditional banks with loans up to \$350,000 serving startups and established businesses

Serves small businesses in WA and OR; Spanish-speaking; other translation services available

Email: info@businessimpactnw.org
Phone: 206-324-4330
Website: businessimpactnw.org

Mercy Corps NW

Small business loans from \$4,500 - \$50,000 to startups and existing businesses who do not qualify for traditional loans; mentors across a variety of industries

Serves small businesses in WA, OR, AK, and Northern Idaho

Email: pugetsound@mercy Corps.org
Phone: 503-896-5478
Website: nw.mercy Corps.org

Craft3

Nonprofit lender focusing on entrepreneurs unable to obtain bank financing. Provides flexible and tailored debt capital to help customers grow their business

Serves business owners in WA and OR; Spanish-speaking

Email: shakim@craft3.org
Phone: 888-231-2170 extension 303
Website: craft3.org

Small Business Flex Fund

Small business and non-profit loans up to \$150,000 for working capital expenses

Serves small businesses and nonprofits in WA. Must have <50 employees, have been impacted by COVID-19, and been in operation for at least 1 year

Website: SmallBusinessFlexFund.org

Evergreen Business Capital (EBC) & Evergreen Business Capital Community Finance (EBCCF)

Development Company and Community Development Financial Institution that offer loans to small businesses

Serves small businesses in WA, OR, AK, and Northern Idaho

Email: info@evergreen504.com; info@ebccf.org
Phone: 206-622-3731
Website: evergreen504.com; ebccf.org

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