

A Non-Profit Economic Development Corporation

2021 CAPE MAY COUNTY BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE



UCEDC, a non-profit economic development corporation, is dedicated to stimulating economic growth for small businesses throughout New Jersey by providing them with resources and solutions for business expansion. Since 1977, UCEDC has helped entrepreneurs open their doors and assisted established businesses expand into new markets through innovative lending,

comprehensive training initiatives and government procurement programs.

Financing

Access to capital is often a business owner's largest hurdle. We offer a variety of financing programs to meet your needs at every stage of your business's growth. As an SBA lender, we offer loans from \$500 to \$5.5 million through the microloan, Community Advantage 7(a) and 504 financing programs. Speak to our experienced staff to find the option that meet your needs.

Government Contracting

Federal, state and local government agencies spend billions of dollars each year buying goods and services from small businesses, just like yours. UCEDC can help you break into this lucrative market through free specialized training programs, one-on-one counseling services, and assistance in preparing bids and contract management.

Training

Whether you're looking for short presentations, day-long workshops, or intensive courses, UCEDC has the training and technical assistance you need to succeed. Our training professionals will help you master a wide variety of business and financial topics.

Business Tools

UCEDC produces a wide array of business resource reports to provide you with the insights you need to make smart decisions. Market data, commercial real estate information, demographic analyses, and comprehensive contact lists for business advocacy organizations and agencies are just a few of the vital reports you'll find, free of charge.

Sustaining and starting a business can be an extremely important and rewarding endeavor, but can also be quite challenging. This publication is not a detailed walk-through of the start-up process, but is a tool to help you get started by providing you with both general and county specific business resources.

Please consider this list as a starting point, however inclusion does not imply complete endorsement of the resource by UCEDC, nor should any value judgment be inferred from an entity's omission from this list.

FEDERAL/STATE GENERAL BUSINESS RESOURCES

<u>U.S. Small Business Administration</u> Phone: 973-645-3680 Alfred Titone Two Gateway Center, Suite 1002 Fax: 973-645-6265 District Director

Newark, NJ 07102 E-mail: <u>alfred.titone@sba.gov</u>

Website: www.sba.gov

The US Small Business Administration, established in 1953, provides financial, technical and management assistance to help Americans start, run, and grow their businesses. The SBA provides loan guarantees to area lenders for loans to small business. The SBA is the nation's largest financial backer of small business.

New Jersey Business Action Center Phone: 1-800-JERSEY-7 Melanie Willoughby 33 West State Street Fax: 609-292-5509 Executive Director

Trenton, NJ 08625 Email: <u>feedback@sos.state.nj.us</u>
Website: www.nj.gov/state/bac

The New Jersey Business Action Center (NJBAC) is a business-first resource staffed by experts who can help your business whether you are just getting started or are already established. Our team can help you get answers from government agencies, direct you to appropriate officials or contacts, facilitate meetings and follow-ups with regulatory agencies and so much more, all at no cost and strictly confidential.

Whether you are an entrepreneur, own a business on "Main Street", are located on a corporate campus, or interested in expanding your products and services through export, we're here for you. We are a business advocacy team within the Department of State, dedicated to solving problems and maximizing growth opportunities.

Our team includes the Office of Business Advocacy, the Office of Small Business Advocacy, the Office of Export Promotion, the Office of Planning Advocacy and the Business Helpline. Our experts know the ins and outs of operating a business in the Garden State and can put that knowledge to work for you.

Our motto says it all. "Business questions? NJBAC has answers!" Call our Business Helpline at 1-800- JERSEY-7 or visit us at https://www.state.nj.us/state/bac/bac-about.shtml today.

FEDERAL/STATE GENERAL BUSINESS RESOURCES (Con't)

New Jersey Business & Industry Association Phone: 609-393-7707 Michele N. Siekerka

10 West Lafayette Street Email: info@njbia.org President

Trenton, NJ 08608 Website: www.njbia.org

The New Jersey Business & Industry Association provides information, services and advocacy to its member companies in order to build a more prosperous New Jersey. NJBIA is the nation's largest statewide employer association. Its members collectively employ more than one million people. Member benefits include exclusive access to low-cost auto insurance through New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company (NJM).

New Jersey Economic Development Authority Phone: 609-858-6700 Timothy Sullivan

36 West State Street Email: customercare@njeda.com Chief Executive Officer

P.O. Box 990 Website: www.njeda.com

Trenton, NJ 08625

The Authority's programs are tailored to the individual needs of the business community by assisting with creative financing packages, technical assistance, site selection and acquisition. In addition, the authority offers a business advocacy service providing assistance in dealing with state government.

New Jersey LGBTQ Chamber Phone: 973-869-9567 Joseph Renga President

155 Willowbrook Boulevard, Suite 350 info@njlgbtchamber.org Email:

Website: www.njlgbtchamber.org Wayne, NJ 07470

The organization is New Jersey's premier LGBTO business association dedicated to strengthening LGBT businesses in the New Jersey tri-state area. The chamber increases the economic staying-power of its members and allies and facilitates successful business collaboration. It is a platform for business visionaries, and the first stop for LGBT entrepreneurs and allies seeking to advance and access opportunity and resources.

New Jersey State Library System – Small Phone: 973-733-7779 **Business Services** Email: reference@npl.org

Website: www.njstatelib.org

The New Jersey State Library System provides many services including small business services. If you have a business question ("Ask a Business Librarian"), you can have your question answered by a business research expert from the Newark Public Library, a service supported by the New Jersey State Library. Please send your detailed question to the above email. With a card from any New Jersey Library, you can also use the library's Business Research Tools to get access to market research and company databases.

African American Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-571-1620 John E. Harmon, Sr. of New Jersey Fax: 609-571-1608 President & CEO

379 West State Street Email: jharmon@aaccnj.com Trenton, NJ 08608 Website: www.aaccnj.com

The African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (AACCNJ) is dedicated to economically empowering and sustaining African American communities and businesses through entrepreneurship and capitalistic initiatives throughout the state of New Jersey and through its partnership with the National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (NBCC).

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New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-989-7888 Thomas Bracken 216 West State Street E-mail: theresa@njchamber.com President & CEO

Trenton, NJ 08608 Website: njchamber.com

For more than a century, the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce (NJCC) has been the business community's voice in Trenton. NJCC promotes the interests of its members and the state's business community via legislation and regulations that will grow the economy, create new jobs and make the state more competitive and more affordable for everyone.

Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Phone: 201-935-0035 Carlos A. Medina

of New Jersey Fax: 866-226-1828 Chair

1280 Wall Street, Suite 312 E-mail: chamber@shccnj.org
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 Website: www.shccnj.org

As a not-for-profit organization for over 28 years, the Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (SHCCNJ), has become the voice of the 119,000 Hispanic owned businesses that contribute over \$20 billion to the State's economy. The chamber is the premier vehicle to access the Latino community and its formidable purchasing power, as evidenced by our growth of non-Hispanic membership reaching 45 percent.

<u>Rutgers University Center for Urban</u>

Phone: 973-353-1288

Entrepreneurship & Economic Development

Email: lrichardson@business.rutgers.edu

Executive Director

1 Washington Park Website: www.business.rutgers.edu

Newark, NJ 07102

The Center for Urban Entrepreneurship & Economic Development (CUEED) is the first center of its kind in the nation to integrate scholarly works with private capital, government, and non-profit sectors to develop citywide resources and bring renewed economic growth and vitality through urban entrepreneurship. The center promotes and fosters a new generation of urban entrepreneurs who actively seek socially conscious urban renaissance.

REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - CAPE MAY COUNTY

U.S. Department of Commerce - Commercial
Service, Southern JerseyPhone:609-896-2731Janice BarlowPrinceton Pike Corporate Center
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648Email:janice.barlow@trade.gov
www.export.gov/newjerseyActing Director &
Sr. International
Trade Specialist

The U.S. Commerce Service, an important part of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, helps New Jersey companies - in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties - export goods and services to overseas buyers

REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - CAPE MAY COUNTY (Con't)

New Jersey Small Business Development Center at Richard Stockton University

Phone: 609-626-3889

Carol Waties

Regional Director

3430 Atlantic Avenue Website: www.njsbdc.com

Atlantic City, NJ 08401

The Small Business Development Center provides free professional, comprehensive consulting and training services to both start-ups and established small business owners. The center at Stockton University serves Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties.

New Jersey Association of Women BusinessPhone:856-354-7700Carrie WardOwners (NJAWBO) - South Jersey RegionEmail:njawbo@njawbo.orgRegion LeadershipWebsite:www.njawbo.orgTeam Chair

NJAWBO is a statewide organization with its objective being to support and encourage business ownership by women. NJAWBO enables women business owners to network while it also provides a legislative voice for them at local, state and federal levels. NJAWBO operates a Women's Business Center (WBC) that provides a wide range of services to women entrepreneurs at all levels of business development. The South Jersey Region includes Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties.

Ocean County SCORE - Chapter 150 Phone: 732-505-6033 Dave Younghans

33 Washington Street Fax: 732-505-0331 Mentor

Toms River, NJ 08753 Email: score150@verizon.net
Website: www.oceancountyscore.org

SCORE is a volunteer association sponsored by the US Small Business Administration. Most SCORE volunteers are retired business owners though some members still work. Volunteers work in or near their home communities to provide management counseling and training to first-time entrepreneurs and current small business owners. In addition to Ocean County, the Chapter also serves Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties.

<u>South Jersey Economic</u> Phone: 856-794-1941 Louis C. Joyce Development District Email: 1joyce@sjedd.com Executive Director

782 South Brewster Road Website: www.sjedd.com

Unit B6

Vineland, NJ 08361

The goal of the South Jersey Economic Development District is to promote orderly and efficient economic development through its member counties - Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem.

Southern New Jersey Phone: 856-228-7500 Marlene Z. Asselta

Development Council (SNJDC) Fax: 856-228-7511 President

900 Route 168, Suite D-4 Email: snjdc@snjdc.org
Turnersville, NJ 08012 Website: www.snjdc.org

The Southern New Jersey Development Council functions as a government affairs liaison as well as an economic development advocate for businesses in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties.

REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - CAPE MAY COUNTY (Con't)

Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey Phone: 856-424-7776, Ext. 127 Christina M. Renna 220 Laurel Road, Suite 201 Website: www.chambersnj.com President & CEO

Voorhees, NJ 08043

The Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey (CCSNJ) is the region's largest, most active, and influential business organization. Started in 1873 as the Camden Board of Trade, the organization has grown to represent counties of southern New Jersey including Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem as well as towns in the greater Philadelphia area and northern Delaware.

Cape May Workforce Development Board Phone: 856-696-5660 Allison Spinelli **Board Director** PO Box 1500 Website:

Vineland, NJ 08362 http://www.co.cumberland.nj.us/content/22

602/23188/24016/25192.aspx

The goal of the Workforce Development Board is to develop through public/private partnerships, a quality workforce, which successfully meets employers' hiring needs and ensures the employment and advancement of jobseekers. In addition to Cape May County, the board also serves Cumberland & Salem counties.

LOCAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - CAPE MAY COUNTY

Cape May County Clerk's Office Phone: 609-465-1010 Rita M. Rothberg County Clerk

7 North Main Street

PO Box 5000 Rita Maria Fulginiti

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 Fax: 609-465-8625

Email: coclerk@co.cape-may.nj.us Website: www.capemaycountynj.gov

The Clerk's Office registers new sole proprietor businesses and partnerships.

Phone: Cape May County Office of Economic 609-485-6875 Leslie Gimeno Director

Development Email: leslie.gimeno@co.cape-may.nj.us

William E. Stum, Jr. Website:

www.capemaycountynj.gov/1078/economic **Administration Building**

4 Moore Road -development

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

The Cape May County Office of Economic Development supports Cape May County businesses and their success by providing comprehensive, client-focused services including counseling, business resources and information on business financing.

City of Wildwood

URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE - CAPE MAY COUNTY

The UEZ Program was created to foster an economic climate that revitalizes designated urban communities and stimulates their growth by encouraging businesses to develop and create private sector jobs through public and private investment.

<u>City of Wildwood/Borough of Wildwood</u>
Phone: 609-846-2044
Ernie Troiano

<u>Crest/City of North Wildwood/Borough of</u> Fax: 609-523-2444 Mayor

Westwood Urban Enterprise Zone Email: troiano@wildwoodnj.org

Enterprise Zone Development Corporation Website: www.ci.camden.nj.us

4400 New Jersey Avenue Wildwood, NJ 08260

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE - CAPE MAY COUNTY

The following Chambers of Commerce serve as a clearinghouse of information and resources for the business community within their coverage area, including networking. The goal of each chamber is to help strengthen and grow the general businesses environment in their respective community.

Avalon Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-967-3936 John O'Dea 2989 Ocean Drive Email: info@visitavalonnj.com President

Avalon, NJ 08202 Website: www.visitavalonnj.com

<u>Cape May County Chamber of Commerce</u> Phone: 609-465-7801 Vicki Clark

13 Crest Haven Road Email: <u>vicki@cmcchamber.com</u> President

PO Box 74 Website:

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 www.capemaycountychamber.com

The Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cape May Phone: 609-884-5508 James Ridgeway

PO BOX 556 Email: President

Cape May, NJ 08204 contact@capemaychamber.com

Website: www.capemaychamber.com

Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-729-4000 Tracey Boyle-DuFault Fax: 609-729-4003 Executive Director

Wildwood, NJ 08260

Email: tdufalt@gwcoc.org
Website: www.gwcoc.com

Greater Woodbine Chamber of Commerce Email: info@wccnj.org Lisa Fisher

PO Box 792 Website: www.wccnj.org President Woodbine, NJ 08270

Lower Township Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-886-5281 Susan Paz-Coverly

1228 Bayshore Road Email: President

Villas, NJ 08251 <u>ltcc@lowertownshipchamber.com</u>
Website: www.lowertownship.com

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE - CAPE MAY COUNTY (Con't)

Email:

Email:

Middle Township Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 6

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

Phone: 609-463-1655 Fax: 609-465-7521

Website: www.mtcc4u.com

Barbara Jones President info@mtcc4u.com

Ocean City Regional Chamber of Commerce

PO BOX 1706

Ocean City, NJ 08226

Phone: 609-399-1412 Fax: 609-398-3932

Michelle Gillian **Executive Director** info@oceancitychamber.com

Sea Isle City Chamber of Commerce and

Revitalization

PO Box 102

Sea Isle City, NJ 08243

Phone: 609-263-9090

Website: www.seaislechamber.com President

Website: www.oceancityvacation.com

Brian Heritage

Stone Harbor Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 422 212 96th Street

Stone Harbor, NJ 08247

Phone: 609-368-6101

Email: info@stoneharborbeach.com

Website: www.stoneharborchamber.com

Maggie Day President



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