Resources & Solutions for Small Business UCEDC

A Non-Profit Economic Development Corporation

ATLANTIC COUNTY BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE

75 CHESTNUT STREET, CRANFIRD, NJ 07016 908-527-1166/INFO@UCEDC.COM WWW.UCEDC.COM



UCEDC, a private, non-profit statewide 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.S. Small Business Administration	Phone:	973-645-3680	John Blackstock
Two Gateway Center, Suite 1002	Fax:	973-645-6265	District Director
Newark, NJ 07102	E-mail:	john.blackstock@sba.gov	
	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:	feedback@sos.state.nj.us	
	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 <u>https://www.state.nj.us/state/bac/bac-about.shtml</u> today.

FEDERAL/STATE GENERAL BUSINESS RESOURCES (Con't)

New Jersey Business & Industry Association	Phone: 6	509-393-7707	Michele N. Siekerka
10 West Lafayette Street	Email: <u>i</u>	nfo@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, and the association is widely regarded as the most credible and effective advocate for business in the Garden State.

New Jersey Economic Development Authority	Phone:	845-965-1125	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 Pride Chamber	Phone:	973-869-9567	Stephen Blazejewski
155 Willowbrook Boulevard, Suite 350	Email:	info@njpridechamber.org	President
Wayne, NJ 07470	Website	: <u>www.njpridechamber.org</u>	

The New Jersey Pride Chamber of Commerce advances the business interests of LGBTQ+ and allied professionals in the tri-state area. The organization promotes the economic growth and development of members by providing LGBT+ business enterprise certification, networking opportunities, and a range of other business and professional development resources.

<u>New Jersey State Library System – Small</u>	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 of	Phone:	609-571-1620
<u>New Jersey</u>	Fax:	609-571-1608
379 West State Street	Email:	jharmon@aaccnj.com
Trenton, NJ 08608	Website:	www.aaccnj.com

John E. Harmon, Sr. President & CEO

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).

FEDERAL/STATE GENERAL BUSINESS RESOURCES (Con't)

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:	www.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 of	Phone:	201-935-0035	Carlos A. Medina
New Jersey	Fax:	866-226-1828	President & CEO
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.

Rutgers University Center for Urban	Phone:	973-353-1288	Lyneir Richardson
Entrepreneurship & Economic Development	Email:	lrichardson@business.rutgers.edu	Executive Director
1 Washington Park	Website	: <u>www.business.rutgers.edu/cueed</u>	
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 - ATLANTIC COUNTY

U.S. Department of Commerce - Commercial	Phone:	609-896-2731	Janice Barlow
Service, Southern Jersey	Email:	janice.barlow@trade.gov	Acting Director &
Princeton Pike Corporate Center	Website:	www.export.gov/newjersey	Senior International
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648			Trade Specialist

The U.S. Commerce Service, an important part of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, helps businesses in New Jersey to export goods and services to overseas buyers.

REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - ATLANTIC COUNTY (Con't)

Latin American Economic Development	Phone:	856-338-1177	Raymond L. Lamboy
Association (LAEDA)	Fax:	856-963-1835	President and CEO
433 Market Street, Suite 202	Email:	info@laeda.com	
Camden, NJ 08102	Website:	www.laeda.com	

The Latin American Economic Development Association (LAEDA) is a not for profit economic development organization dedicated to assisting emerging entrepreneurs and small business owners to start and grow their businesses in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cumberland and Gloucester counties in New Jersey.

New Jersey Small Business Development Center at	Phone:	609-626-3889	Carol Waties
Richard Stockton University	Email:	carol.waties@stockton.edu	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 Business	Phor
Owners (NJAWBO) - South Jersey Region	Ema
	*** 1

Phone:609-308-2530Email:njawbo@njawbo.orgWebsite:www.njawbo.org

(Vacant) Region Leadership Team 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.

SCORE/Southeast New Jersey	Phone:	732-505-6033	Anthony Maceroli
33 Washington Street	Fax:	732-505-0331	Chapter Chair
Toms River, NJ 08753	Email:	score150@verizon.net	-
	Website:	https://southeastnj.score.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. Serving Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland and Ocean counties.

REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - ATLANTIC COUNTY (Con't)

South Jersey Economic Development District 782 South Brewster Road, Unit B6 Vineland, NJ 08361 Phone:856-794-1941Email:ljoyce@sjedd.comWebsite:www.sjedd.com

Louis C. Joyce Executive Director

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 Development Council (SNJDC) 900 Route 168, Suite D-4 Turnersville, NJ 08012
 Phone:
 856-228-7500

 Fax:
 856-228-7511

 Email:
 snjdc@snjdc.org

 Website:
 www.snjdc.org

Marlene Z. Asselta President

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.

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.

LOCAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - ATLANTIC COUNTY

<u>Atlantic County Clerk's Office</u> 5901 Main Street Mays Landing, NJ 08330 Phone:609-909-5839Fax:609-909-5111Email:giralo_joe@aclink.orgWebsite:www.atlanticcountyclerk.org

Joseph J. Giralo County Clerk

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

Atlantic County Economic Alliance 600 Aviation Boulevard, Suite 120 Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234 Phone:609-245-0019Email:Imoore@aceanj.comWebsite:www.aceanj.com

Lauren H. Moore President

The Atlantic County Economic Alliance is a private sector directed, nonprofit economic development corporation that was established for business attraction, retention, and marketing efforts in Atlantic County.

LOCAL BUSINESS RESOURCES - ATLANTIC COUNTY (Con't)

<u>Atlantic County Office of Workforce</u> <u>Development Center</u> 2 South Main Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Phone: 609-485-0052 Website: www.learntrainworkac.com Francis F. Kuhn Executive Director

The Atlantic County Office of Workforce Development Center provides educational classes, high school equivalency testing, job search activities, job training opportunities, public assistance and a variety of other services to help individuals improve their job-related skills.

Atlantic County Workforce Development Board 2 South Main Street, Second Floor

2 South Main Street, Second Floor Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Phone: 609-485-0153 Website: <u>www.atlanticcountywdb.com</u> Riaz Rajput Chair

The board implements workforce strategies at the county level to provide funds to address the employment, training and social service needs of adults, dislocated workers and youth. The board is also charged with providing a workforce development system that meets the needs of area businesses and job seekers.

<u>Casino Reinvestment</u> <u>Development Authority</u> 15 South Pennsylvania Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401 Phone:609-347-0500Email:spattwell@njcrda.comWebsite:www.njcrda.com

Sean Pattwell Executive Director

The Casino Reinvestment Development Authority facilitates economic and community development in Atlantic City by leveraging its available assets and revenues with private investment capital to support redevelopment projects throughout the City.

Main Street Hammonton PO BOX 1147 Hammonton, NJ 08037 Phone:609-567-9014Cassie IacovelliEmail:mainstreethammonton@ymail.comExecutive DirectorWebsite:www.downtownhammonton.comExecutive Director

Main Street Hammonton is a non-profit organization that manages the overall revitalization of the downtown district through events, planning, marketing and craftsmanship.

URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE - ATLANTIC 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.

Pleasantville Urban Enterprise Zone 18 North First Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Phone: 609-677-4925 Fax: 609-641-8642 Email: jamado_belton@pleasantvillenj.us Website: www.pleasantville-nj.org Jacqueline Amado-Belton Redevelopment Assistant

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE - ATLANTIC 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 business environment in their respective community.

Brigantine Beach Chamber of Commerce PO Box 484 Brigantine, NJ 08203	Phone: Email: Website:	609-800-2321 brigantinechamber@gmail.com www.brigantinechamber.com	Ken Schaffer President
Capital Region Minority Chamber of Commerce 485 Hamilton Avenue Trenton, NJ 08609	Phone: Email: Website: <u>www.cap</u>	609-631-8802 <u>hames@devingroupinc.net</u> pitalregionminoritychamber.org	Herbert Ames President & Chairman
<u>Greater Atlantic City Chamber</u> of Commerce 12 South Virginia Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Phone: Fax: Email: Website:	609-345-4524, Ext. 3 609-345-1666 <u>mchait@accchamber.com</u> <u>www.acchamber.com</u>	Michael Chait President
<u>Greater Hammonton Chamber</u> of Commerce The Historic Hammonton Train Station 10 South Egg Harbor Road P.O. Box 554 Hammonton, NJ 08037	Phone: Fax: Email: Website:	609-561-9080 609-561-9411 <u>info@hammontonnj.us</u> <u>www.hammontonnj.us</u>	Ben Ott President

Resources & Solutions for Small Business UCEDC

A Non-Profit Economic Development Corporation

75 CHESTNUT STREET, CRANFORD, NJ 07016 908-527-1166/INFO@UCEDC.COM WWW.UCEDC.COM