

A Non-Profit Economic Development Corporation

# 2022 CAPE MAY COUNTY BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE



## 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.

 $\mathbf{S}$ ustaining 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.

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

Trenton, NJ 08625 feedback@sos.state.nj.us Email:

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: <u>info@njbia.org</u> 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: <a href="mailto:customercare@njeda.com">customercare@njeda.com</a> 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: <a href="mailto:info@pridechamber.org">info@pridechamber.org</a> President

Wayne, NJ 07470 Website: <a href="www.njpridechamber.org">www.njpridechamber.org</a>

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

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

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 New Jersey

Phone: 609-571-1620 John E. Harmon, Sr. 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).

## 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 Phone: 201-935-0035 Carlos A. Medina

of New Jersey Fax: 866-226-1828 Chair

1280 Wall Street, Suite 312 E-mail: <a href="mailto:chamber@shccnj.org">chamber@shccnj.org</a>
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 Website: <a href="mailto:www.shccnj.org">www.shccnj.org</a>

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: 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<br/>Service, Southern JerseyPhone:609-896-2731Janice BarlowPrinceton Pike Corporate Center<br/>Lawrenceville, NJ 08648Email:janice.barlow@trade.gov<br/>www.export.gov/newjerseyActing Director &<br/>Senior International<br/>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 - 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 Business Phone: 609-308-2530 (Vacant)

Owners (NJAWBO) - South Jersey Region Email: njawbo@njawbo.org Region Leadership

Website: <a href="www.njawbo.org">www.njawbo.org</a> 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: <a href="mailto:score150@verizon.net">score150@verizon.net</a>
Website: <a href="https://southeastnj.score.org">https://southeastnj.score.org</a>

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.

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

782 South Brewster Road, Unit B6 Website: <u>www.sjedd.com</u>

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)

<u>Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey</u> 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.

<u>Cape May Workforce Development Board</u>
Rowan College of South Jersey

Phone: 856-696-5660

Allison Spinelli
Website:

Board Director

Cumberland Campus http://www.co.cumberland.nj.us/content/22

3322 College Drive 602/23188/24016/25192.aspx

Vineland, NJ 08360

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**

<u>Cape May County Clerk's Office</u> Phone: 609-465-1010 Rita M. Rothberg 7 North Main Street Fax: 609-465-8625 County Clerk

PO Box 5000 Email: <a href="mailto:coclerk@co.cape-may.nj.us">coclerk@co.cape-may.nj.us</a>
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 Website: <a href="mailto:www.capemaycountynj.gov">www.capemaycountynj.gov</a>

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

<u>Cape May County Office of Economic</u> Phone: 609-465-1080 Leslie Gimeno Development Fax: 609-436-0347 Director

William E. Stum, Jr. Email: leslie.gimeno@co.cape-may.nj.us

Administration Building Website:

4 Moore Road www.capemaycountynj.gov/1078/economic

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 <u>-development</u>

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

#### **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: 609-522-2444, Ext. 2240 Steve Booty
<u>Crest/City of North Wildwood/Borough of</u>
Fax: 609-523-2444 UEZ Coordinator

Westwood Email: sbooy@wildwoodnj.org
4400 New Jersey Avenue Website: www.ci.camden.nj.us

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 CommercePhone:609-967-3936John O'Dea2989 Ocean DriveEmail:info@visitavalonnj.comPresident

Avalon, NJ 08202 Website: <u>www.visitavalonnj.com</u>

Cape May County Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-465-7181, Ext. 102 Emily Paul

13 Crest Haven Road Email: <a href="mailto:emily@cmcchamber.com">emily@cmcchamber.com</a> President

PO Box 74 Website:

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 <u>www.capemaycountychamber.com</u>

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

PO BOX 556 Fax: 609-884-2054 President

Cape May, NJ 08204 Email:

<u>contact@capemaychamber.com</u>

Website: <u>www.capemaychamber.com</u>

Greater Wildwood Chamber of Commerce Phone: 609-729-4000 Tracey Boyle-DuFault

3306 Pacific Avenue Fax: 609-729-4003 Executive Director Wildwood, NJ 08260 Email: info@gwcoc.org

Website: www.gwcoc.com

Greater Woodbine Chamber of Commerce Website: www.woodbinechamber.com Lisa Fisher

PO Box 792 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.lowertownshipchamber.com

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

Email:

Middle Township Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 6

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

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

info@mtcc4u.com Website: www.mtcc4u.com

Ocean City Regional Chamber of Commerce

PO BOX 1706

Ocean City, NJ 08226

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

info@oceancitychamber.com Email: Website: www.oceancityvacation.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

Brian Heritage

Michelle Gillian

**Executive Director** 

Barbara Jones

President

President

Stone Harbor Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 422 212 96<sup>th</sup> Street

Stone Harbor, NJ 08247

Phone: 609-368-6101

Email: info@stoneharborbeach.com

Website: www.stoneharborchamber.com

Maggie Day President



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