



Resources & Solutions  
for Small Business

**UCEDC**

A Non-Profit Economic Development Corporation

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**SUSSEX COUNTY**

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**BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE**

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**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.

## Resources to Help Your Business Grow

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**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 BUSINESS RESOURCES

#### US Small Business Administration

Two Gateway Center  
Suite 1002  
Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: 973-645-3680  
Fax: 973-645-6255  
E-mail: [john.blackstock@sba.gov](mailto:john.blackstock@sba.gov)  
Website: [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov)

John M. Blackstock  
District Director

*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.*

#### NJ Business Action Center

33 West State Street  
Trenton, NJ 08625

Phone: 800-JERSEY 7  
Fax: 609-292-5509  
Email: [feedback@sos.state.nj.us](mailto:feedback@sos.state.nj.us)  
Website: [www.nj.gov/state/bac](http://www.nj.gov/state/bac)

Melanie Willoughby  
Executive Director

*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.*

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### FEDERAL/STATE BUSINESS RESOURCES (Con't)

New Jersey Business & Industry Association

10 West Lafayette Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608-1199

Phone: 609-393-7707  
Email: [info@njbja.org](mailto:info@njbja.org)  
Website: [www.njbja.org](http://www.njbja.org)

Michele N. Siekerka  
President

*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, as a group, employ more than one million people. Member benefits include exclusive access to low-cost auto insurance through New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company (NJM).*

NJ Economic Development Authority

36 West State Street  
P.O. Box 990  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0820

Phone: 609-858-6700  
Email: [customercare@njeda.com](mailto:customercare@njeda.com)  
Website: [www.njeda.com](http://www.njeda.com)

Timothy Sullivan  
Chief Executive Officer

*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

155 Willowbrook Boulevard, Suite 350  
Wayne, NJ 07470

Phone: 973-869-9567  
Email: [info@njpridechamber.org](mailto:info@njpridechamber.org)  
Website: [www.njpridechamber.org](http://www.njpridechamber.org)

Stephen Blazejewski  
President

*The organization is New Jersey's premier LGBTQ business association dedicated to strengthening LGBTQ 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 Business Services

Phone: 973-733-7779  
Email: [reference@npl.org](mailto:reference@npl.org)  
Website: [www.njstatelib.org](http://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.*

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### FEDERAL/STATE BUSINESS RESOURCES (Con't)

African American Chamber of Commerce of  
New Jersey

379 West State Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: 609-571-1620  
Fax: 609-571-1608  
Email: [jharmon@aaccnj.com](mailto:jharmon@aaccnj.com)  
Website: [www.aaccnj.com](http://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).*

New Jersey Chamber of Commerce

216 West State Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: 609-989-7888  
E-mail: [theresa@njchamber.com](mailto:theresa@njchamber.com)  
Website: [www.njchamber.com](http://www.njchamber.com)

Thomas Bracken  
President & CEO

*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  
New Jersey

1280 Wall Street, Suite 312  
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Phone: 201-935-0035  
Fax: 866-226-1828  
E-mail: [chamber@shccnj.org](mailto:chamber@shccnj.org)  
Website: [www.shccnj.org](http://www.shccnj.org)

Carlos A. Medina  
President & CEO

*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  
Entrepreneurship & Economic Development

1 Washington Park  
Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: 973-353-1288  
Email: [lrichardson@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:lrichardson@business.rutgers.edu)  
Website: [www.business.rutgers.edu](http://www.business.rutgers.edu)

Lyneir Richardson  
Executive Director

*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 promote sand fosters a new generation of urban entrepreneurs who actively seek socially conscious urban renaissance.*

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### REGIONAL BUSINESS RESOURCES

US Department of Commerce – Commercial Service, Northern New Jersey

20 Washington Place  
Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: 973-645-4682  
Email: [brian.beams@trade.gov](mailto:brian.beams@trade.gov)  
Website: [www.export.gov/newjersey](http://www.export.gov/newjersey)

Brian Beams  
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 export goods and services to overseas buyers.*

New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners (NJAWBO) - Northwest Region:

(Morris, Sussex, Warren)

Phone: 862-354-8448  
Website: [www.njawbo.org](http://www.njawbo.org)

Christy Mahon  
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) which provides a wide range of services to women entrepreneurs at all levels of business development.*

New Small Business Development Center of Northwest New Jersey (Morris, Sussex, Warren)

14 Fairmount Avenue  
Chatham, NJ 07928

Phone: 973-634-8025  
Fax: 908-366-7563  
Email: [info.nwsbdc@rutgers.edu](mailto:info.nwsbdc@rutgers.edu)  
Website: [www.njsbdc.com/northwest-new-jersey](http://www.njsbdc.com/northwest-new-jersey)

Matt Wells  
Regional Director

*The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) provides free professional, comprehensive consulting and training services to both start-up and established small business owners.*

SCORE/Northwest Jersey (Morris, Sussex, Warren)

179 US Highway 46, Suite 15-245  
Rockaway, NJ 07888

Phone: 973-645-3982  
Website: [www.northwestnj.score.org](http://www.northwestnj.score.org)

No Direct Contact Person

*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.*

County of Morris-Sussex-Warren), Workforce Development Board

PO BOX 900  
Morristown, NJ 07963

Phone: 973-829-8661  
Fax: 973-829-8500  
Email: [jarmstrong@co.morris.nj.us](mailto:jarmstrong@co.morris.nj.us)  
Website: [www.mswwdb.org](http://www.mswwdb.org)

Jane A. Armstrong, PhD  
Director

*The Morris-Sussex-Warren Workforce Development Board (WDB) is responsible for planning, policy guidance and oversight of the workforce development system in the three counties. Its goal is to combine area employment, training and supportive services and programs into a consumer-based, market-driven system that meets the needs of job seekers and employers.*

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**LOCAL BUSINESS RESOURCES – SUSSEX COUNTY**

County of Sussex, County Clerk  
83 Spring Street, Suite 304  
Newton, NJ 07860

Phone: 973-579-0900  
Fax: 973-383-7493  
Email: [info@sussexcountyclerk.org](mailto:info@sussexcountyclerk.org)  
Website: [www.sussexcountyclerk.org](http://www.sussexcountyclerk.org)

Jeffrey M. Parrott  
County Clerk

*The Clerk's Office registers new business.*

County of Sussex, Economic  
Development Partnership  
120 Hampton House Road  
Newton, NJ 07860

Phone: 973-579-1811  
Fax: 973-579-3031  
Email: [mail@sussexcountychamber.org](mailto:mail@sussexcountychamber.org)  
Website: [www.scedp.com](http://www.scedp.com)

Tammie Horsfield  
President

*The Sussex County Economic Development Partnership, Inc. (SCEDP) is dedicated to fostering sustainable economic development through promoting strategic opportunities, developing solutions for the attraction and retention of key county industries, and facilitating collaboration between businesses, municipalities, and community partners.*

**CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE – SUSSEX 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.*

Sussex County Chamber of  
Commerce  
120 Hampton House Road  
Newton, NJ 07860

Phone: 973-579-1811  
Fax: 973-579-3031  
Email: [mail@sussexcountychamber.org](mailto:mail@sussexcountychamber.org)  
Website: [www.sussexcountychamber.org](http://www.sussexcountychamber.org)

Tammie Horsefield  
President

The Greater Newton Chamber of  
Commerce  
39 Trinity Street  
Newton, NJ 07860

Phone: 973-300-0433  
Email: [info@greaternewtoncc.com](mailto:info@greaternewtoncc.com)  
Website: [www.greaternewtoncc.com](http://www.greaternewtoncc.com)

Michele Egan  
Executive Director

Vernon Chamber of Commerce  
PO Box 308  
Vernon, NJ 07462

Phone: 973-764-0764  
Email: [info@vernonchamber.com](mailto:info@vernonchamber.com)  
Website: [www.vernonchamber.com](http://www.vernonchamber.com)

Patrick Rizzuto  
Council President

Susan Berkley  
Advisory Committee



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