

BUSINESS LOANS & CAPITAL


Business Impact NW

Provides funding for your small business – from startup to growth capital through loans from \$5K to \$250K. We work hard to fund small business owners, especially women, veterans, communities of color, immigrants, LGBTQ+, and disabled entrepreneurs

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City of Tacoma

Business financing available from \$5K to \$5 million

Will Suarez, (253) 591-5590 
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Craft3

Loans range from \$25K to \$3 million

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Evergreen Business Capital

Provides SBA 504 loans ranging from \$250K - \$5 million

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Evergreen Business Capital

Community Advantage, USDA IRP and micro-loans ranging from \$10K - \$250K

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StartUp 253

\$10K – \$50K of funding beginning in 2019 to grow small and mid-sized hi-tech companies

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Need help navigating these resources?

Contact our Community and Economic Development staff to guide you.

CALL (253) 591-2012

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Growing a Business



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BUSINESS PLANNING & COACHING

Sound Outreach

- Specializes in business financial analysis and counseling

Dolly Small: (253) 888-5645
dolly@soundoutreach.org

Tacoma SCORE

- Volunteer professional mentors offering in person mentoring and business workshops

(855) 685-0166
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Small Business Development Center

- Confidential one-on-one business advising including access to capital, HR, marketing, financials, operations and buying or selling a business

John Rodenberg, (253) 268-3339
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BUSINESS TRAINING

Spaceworks Tacoma, Incubator Program

- Provides business training and support for artists and creative entrepreneurs

Gwen Kohl, (253) 682-1740
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Veterans Incubator for Better Entrepreneurship

- Provides an applied training environment that supports military veterans

Thomas Kuljam, (253) 692-5813
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Veterans Business Outreach Center

- In partnership with the SBA, VBOC equips veteran, active duty service members and their families with the resources to successfully start and run their businesses.

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WA Center for Women in Business

- Offer in person mentoring, business trainings, workshops and webinars

Christine Buckley, (360) 464-6049 
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William Factory Small Business Incubator

- Offers mentors and coaches, business training, workshops and network connections

Tim Strege, (253) 722-5800
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RAIN Incubator

Empowers Life Science & Biotech Startups

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Urban Business Support

- Provides business training, personal credit counseling, and leadership skills

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Person listed speaks Spanish

SITE SELECTION

City of Tacoma Community and Economic Development

- Assistance finding a location to expand and connecting a business owner with city services

Pat Beard, (253) 591-5039
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PROCUREMENT & CONTRACTING

WA Procurement Technical Assistance Center

- Specializes in government contracting and bidding opportunities

Tiffany Scroggs, (360) 754-6320
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Minority Business Development Agency

- Specializes in contracting with municipalities and prime construction firms. Assist with access to capital, contracting, marketing & exporting

Ivan Golovkin, (253) 591-5240
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LEGAL COUNSEL

Wayfind


- Helps with drafting agreements, tax advice, drafting contracts, employment agreements, drafting or reviewing property leases/purchase/sale agreements, and with intellectual property

(866) 288-9695
contact@wayfindlegal.org

CITY SUPPORT

City of Tacoma Community and Economic Development

- Assistance identifying business resources and addressing business needs

Will Suarez, (253) 591-5590 
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- Assistance with Neighborhood Business District needs

Shari Hart, (253) 591-5208
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LABOR

Workforce Central

- WorkSource Business Solutions provides employers with no-cost employee recruitment and hiring assistance as well as customized services such as labor and wage information and job training programs.

Business Solutions, (253) 680-2869



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