

# SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES

## Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

[www.irs.gov/businesses/gig-economy-tax-center](http://www.irs.gov/businesses/gig-economy-tax-center)

[www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed](http://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed)

IRS has two online hubs full of information for taxpayers who are self-employed. Both have information related to tax filing requirements and resources. The gig economy center focuses more on those who have no formal business entity. The small business center has additional information about contract labor and employee reporting.

## Minnesota Department of Revenue

800-657-3605

[www.revenue.state.mn.us/businesses](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us/businesses)

This is Minnesota's department in charge of taxation. Website has fact sheets and instructions about sales taxes and state ID numbers. As well as information on paying taxes due and how to set up payment plans.

## Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

[deed.mnsbao@state.mn.us](mailto:deed.mnsbao@state.mn.us)

800-310-8323

[www.mn.gov/deed](http://www.mn.gov/deed)

This Minnesota department's website has a variety of useful guides, fact sheets, manuals, and referrals for new businesses. They have a Small Business Assistance Office to help guide new businesses through the process of starting a business in Minnesota.

## University of St. Thomas Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

[smallbusiness@stthomas.edu](mailto:smallbusiness@stthomas.edu)

651-962-4503

The (SBDC) provides free, confidential business consulting services and modestly-priced workshops to help established businesses and startups develop strategies to attract customers, increase sales and improve profitability.

## SCORE Twin Cities

[twincities@scorevolunteer.org](mailto:twincities@scorevolunteer.org)

952-938-4570

[www.score.org/twincities](http://www.score.org/twincities)

Provides mentoring programs for entrepreneurs and small businesses at all stages of a business's life. Has online workshops and webinars.

## Northside Economic Opportunity Network (NEON)

[info@neon-mn.org](mailto:info@neon-mn.org)

612-302-1505

[www.neon-mn.org](http://www.neon-mn.org)

NEON assists North Minneapolis entrepreneurs with training, workshops, business advising, co-working space, microgrants, small business loans, and test marketplaces for products.

## WomenVenture

[info@womenventure.org](mailto:info@womenventure.org)

612-224-9540

[womenventure.org](http://womenventure.org)

WomenVenture provides entrepreneurs with access to capital, business consulting, training and development, mentorship, and a community. Some courses have a fee, but scholarship opportunities are available.

## Minneapolis Business Technical Assistance Program

smallbusiness@minneapolismn.gov 612-673-2499 business.minneapolismn.gov  
Provides consulting support to businesses located in the city of Minneapolis. Assistance with business plan development, payroll guidance, business licenses, applying for loans and lines of credit, creating a business marketing strategy, and other business development consulting.

## Elevate Hennepin

economic.development@hennepin.us www.elevatehennepin.org  
Residents and businesses of Hennepin County can access up to 25 hours of free consultation to help entrepreneurs take their business from the idea stage to execution. They have advisors who can help with business planning, legal aid, marketing, access to capital, and more.

## Metropolitan Economic Development Association (Meda)

info@meda.net 612-332-6332 meda.net  
The Meda mission centers on helping BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) entrepreneurs succeed by providing integrated, wrap-around services in the three areas all entrepreneurs need to succeed: Management Education, Money, and Market.

## Mni Sota Fund

info@mnisotafund.org 612-225-0480 mnisotafund.org  
Mni Sota Fund is an Urban Native Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). The Small Business Lab provides coaching, loan opportunities, and assistance with planning next steps to grow a business.

## Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC)

bizsupport@ledcmn.org 651-447-5152 www.ledcmn.org  
LEDC supports entrepreneurs and business owners start-up assistance, business management training, technical assistance, and access to capital. Their goal is to ensure the Latino business community continues to grow and thrive.

## Neighborhood Development Center (NDC)

info@ndc-mn.org 651-291-2480 www.ndc-mn.org  
NDC supports entrepreneurs from startup to expansion by providing access to entrepreneur training, business loans, business services, and access to real estate.

## Springboard for the Arts

651-292-4381 springboardforthearts.org  
Supports artists with the tools to make a living and a life. Has workshops on business skills, opportunities for grants, job boards, access to workspace, and more.

## MN State Arts Board

msab@arts.state.mn.us 651-539-2650 arts.state.mn.us  
This Minnesota state organization offers grants to individual artists and organizations.

## Metropolitan Regional Arts Council

mrac@mrac.org 651-645-0402 mrac.org  
Organization dedicated to improving arts access. Provides grants to support individual artists and organizations of all artistic disciplines.