# Small Business Technical Assistance Directory for South King County

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Business Advising and Training

Organizations that primarily deliver business education and specialized technical assistance for new and expanding businesses

Business Impact NW

Business Advising and Training

- Launch, grow or fund your small business with free classes, workshops, one-on-one coaching, referrals, and access to lending
- Focused entrepreneurial centers include the Washington Women’s Business Center, Veterans Business Outreach Center, Food Business Resource Center, and Loan Readiness Center

Starting/ expanding a business

Veteran Entrepreneurship

Financial literacy

Access to capital

Food business support

Women Entrepreneurship

Languages: English and Spanish-speaking with access to other language translation services

Eligibility: All welcome; emphasis on underserved populations

Fee: None

Contact: info@businessimpactnw.org

206-324-4330

1437 South Jackson Street

Seattle, WA 98144

businessimpactnw.org

Childcare Resources

Business Advising and Training

- Provides training to immigrants and refugees enabling them to achieve sustainable careers in the childcare field. The Infant Toddler Project provides childcare centers with consultants trained to offer on-one-one support

Marketing

Pre-licensing and licensing assistance

S.T.A.R.S. training

One-on-one technical support

Computer access

M.E.R.I.T. assistance

Languages: Translation services available in all languages

Eligibility: Childcare providers in King County

Fee: None

Contact: provider@childcare.org

206-329-1011 and 1-800-446-1114

1225 South Weller Street, Suite 300

Seattle, WA 98144

childcare.org

City of Kent Economic Development

Business Advising and Training

- Works closely with stakeholders to identify creative solutions to challenging problems that enhance economic growth and expand opportunities for residents and business owners

Business attraction

Recruitment

Retention services

Languages: English

Eligibility: Kent residents and businesses owners

Fee: None

Contact: economicdevelopment@kentwa.gov

253-856-5454

Economic Development Department

400 West Gowe, Kent, WA 98032

kentwa.org
**Communities Rise**

**Business Advising and Training**

- Business legal support and training opportunities to connect small businesses with the support they need to grow.
- Meet with an attorney to review agreements pertaining to setting up a business such as contracts, leases, taxes, corporate governance and business entity formation.

**Business legal support**
- **Languages:** English, Spanish
- **Eligibility:** South King County income-eligible business owners. Household income must not exceed 80% of King County HUD guidelines
- **Fee:** None

**Business legal training**
- **Languages:** English, Spanish

**Succession planning**
- **Contact:** contact@communities-rise.org
- **Languages:** English, Spanish
- **Eligibility:** South King County income-eligible business owners. Household income must not exceed 80% of King County HUD guidelines
- **Fee:** None

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**El Centro de la Raza Business Opportunity Center**

**Business Advising and Training**

- Providing small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs with business development advice, credit counseling, and access to a variety of services to foster long-term financial stability and independence
- One-on-one business coaching, group classes, a Food Incubator Program, and small business advocacy

**Permitting & licensing**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **Eligibility:** Low/moderate income residents of King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties
- **Fee:** None

**Starting & expanding a business**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **Eligibility:** Low/moderate income residents of King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties
- **Fee:** None

**Access to capital**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish

**Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises Certification**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish

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**Food Innovation Network**

**Business Advising and Training**

- Food Business Incubator program supports aspiring entrepreneurs from South King County through business coaching, networking, support obtaining permits, securing subsidized kitchen rent, and marketing opportunities

**Business Coaching**
- **Languages:** English

**Networking**
- **Eligibility:** Low/Moderate income immigrants and refugees in South King County

**Marketing**
- **Fee:** Subsidized kitchen rent

**Management & operational consulting services**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **Eligibility:** Manufacturing businesses
- **Fee:** Training and consulting fees vary by program; some services offered at no cost

**Food and beverage processing**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **Eligibility:** Manufacturing businesses
- **Fee:** Training and consulting fees vary by program; some services offered at no cost

**Food Innovation Network**

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**Impact Washington – NIST MEP**

**Business Advising and Training**

- Non-profit organization dedicated to delivering value-driven consulting and training solutions to Washington-based manufacturers, helping them compete and grow
- Expertise includes workforce and leadership development, growth, supply chain, cybersecurity, skills development, technology, operational excellence, food processing, and research services

**Food and beverage processing**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
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**Workforce development**
- **Languages:** English and Spanish

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### Native Business Center

**Business Advising and Training**
- Indian Country’s premier hub for all Native business news
- Free online training, technical assistance, and resources

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**CONTACT**

- tracy@sisterskyinc.com
- 509-315-9808
- 55 East Lincoln Road, Suite 102
- Spokane, WA 99208
- nativebusinesscenter.com

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### Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

**Business Advising and Training**
- One-on-one, confidential, no-cost advising on all phases of small business development and operations, including pre-venture, startup, established businesses, and succession planning
- Free and low-cost business workshops
- Referrals for legal assistance, government contracting, and accounting/bookkeeping services

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### South Sound/Tacoma SCORE

**Business Advising and Training**
- Mentorship program that pairs new and existing business owners with experienced business professionals who volunteer their time to help others start and grow their businesses

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**CONTACT**

- score.tacoma@gmail.com
- 1-855-685-0166
- P.O. Box 110912
- Tacoma, WA 98411
- tacoma.score.org

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### Green River College Small Business Center – Kent Station Campus

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**CONTACT**

- kgrossman@greenriver.edu
- 253-520-6260
- 417 Ramsay Way, Suite 112
- Kent, WA 98032
- grcsmallbusiness.org

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### Highline Small Business Development Center – Des Moines

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**CONTACT**

- sbdc@highline.edu
- 206-592-4151
- 2920 College Way
- Des Moines, WA 98198
- sbdc.highline.edu

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### Green River College Small Business Center – Auburn Center

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**CONTACT**

- thornby@greenriver.edu
- 253-520-6260
- 1221 D Street NE
- Auburn, WA 98002
- grcsmallbusiness.org

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### Highline Small Business Development Center – Tukwila

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**CONTACT**

- washington@wsbdc.org
- 206-246-4445
- 13925 Interurban Avenue South, Suite 100
- Seattle, WA 98168
- wsbdc.org
StartZone

Business Advising and Training

- Accessible, affordable training, consulting and other support for building small businesses that are bankable, profitable and sustainably connected to the local economy

Business planning and consulting
Feasibility assessments
Mentoring
Networking
Workshops
Referrals

Languages: English
Eligibility: Residents of South King County
Fee: None

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CONTACT
psivongxay@highline.edu
206-592-3220
2920 College Way
Des Moines, WA 98198
startzone.highline.edu

University of WA Consulting and Business Development Center

Business Advising and Training

- Group and one-on-one consulting; courses in business, accounting and financial management assistance; mentoring from business executives; business management techniques

Small business consulting
Executive Education
Skill building

Languages: English

Small business consulting
GMichan@uw.edu
206-543-9545
Box 353200
Seattle 98195
foster.uw.edu/consult

Ventures

Business Advising and Training

- Business training, one-on-one coaching, loans, and access to market opportunities for low-income aspiring entrepreneurs and existing business owners. Focus on micro-businesses (solopreneurs to businesses with fewer than 10 employees) at any stage of business

Starting/expanding a business
Financial literacy
Business plan support
Access to capital
Marketing

Languages: English and Spanish
Eligibility: Income-eligible start-up and current businesses in WA
Fee: One-time sliding scale fee based on income ($50-$200); financial aid available

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CONTACT
info@venturesnonprofit.org
206-352-1945
2100 24th Ave. South #380
Seattle, WA 98144
venturesnonprofit.org

Veterans Business Outreach Center

Business Advising and Training

- Business advancement support for veterans and their families, including training, one-on-one coaching, referrals, and networking events at a regional scale across four states

Startup planning
Entrepreneurial counseling
Mentorship

Languages: English

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CONTACT
vboc@businessimpactnw.org
206-324-4330
1437 South Jackson Street
Seattle, WA 98144
businessimpactnw.org/vboc
WA Center for Women in Business

Business Advising and Training
- Training, mentoring, business development, and technical assistance focused on supporting women entrepreneurs

One-on-one coaching Educational services Startup training

Languages: English
Eligibility: Women owners of small and medium size businesses
Fee: None
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info@wcwb.org
360-754-6320
4220 Sixth Avenue SE
Lacey, WA 98503
wcwb.org

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WA Procurement Technical Assistance Center

Business Advising and Training
- No-cost confidential one-on-one technical assistance on all aspects of selling to federal, state, and local government entities including registrations, certifications, solicitations and draft proposal reviews.

Government contracting
Marketing Performance Workshops Small business certification

Languages: English and Spanish
Eligibility: Established firms in King County involved or interested in government contract procurement
Fee: None
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dsundell@greenriver.edu; 253-520-6267
Auburn Center Small Business Center
1221 D Street NE, Suite 210 C
Auburn, WA 98002
www.greenriver.edu/students/academics/continuing-community-education/small-business-center/government/

CONTACT

African Chamber of Commerce of the Pacific Northwest

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations
- Membership-based advocacy organizations for business owners

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

Membership-based advocacy organizations for business owners

Networking African trade and investment Small business development education and facilitation services

Languages: English, Amharic, Kiswahili, Oromo, Somali, and Tigrinya
Eligibility: Businesses working with or in Africa; BIPOC, women, and immigrants
Fee: Annual membership fee between $200 and $2,000
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CONTACT

african.chamberofcommerce@commerce.wa.gov
206-256-6139
2001 Sixth Avenue, Suite 2600
Seattle, WA 98121
acccpnw.com

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### Auburn Chamber of Commerce

**Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations**
- Membership organization dedicated to mobilizing resources, advocating, educating, and serving businesses through recruiting and retaining businesses, assisting with workforce development needs, and giving access to opportunities and resources

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- Languages: Translation services available
- Eligibility: Auburn, Algona, Pacific and surrounding businesses
- Fee: Small business & nonprofits (1-3 employees) $300; all other memberships $500

**CONTACT**
- connect@auburnareawa.org
- 253-833-0700
- 420 East Main Street
  - Auburn, WA 98002
- auburnareawa.org

### GSBA Washington State’s LBGTQ+ & Allied Chamber of Commerce

**Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations**
- LGBTQ+-appropriate business resources, including group and one-on-one workshops, networking, consulting, LGBTQ+ certification and competency training, small business incubation, and resiliency support

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**ACCESS**
- Languages: English
- Eligibility: LGBTQ+ and allied business owners
- Fee: Annual membership $150 to $5,500; some free services

**CONTACT**
- biztech@thegsba.org
- 206-363-9188
- 400 East Pine Street, Suite 322
  - Seattle, WA 98122
- thegsba.org

### Kent Chamber of Commerce

**Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations**
- Membership organization offering networking opportunities, business education services, legislative advocacy, and one-on-one technical assistance

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- Languages: English
- Eligibility: Businesses in South King County
- Fee: Based on size of business (average of $300 annually)

**CONTACT**
- info@kentchamber.com
- 253-854-1770
- 524 West Meeker Street, Suite 1
  - Kent, WA 98032
- kentchamber.com

### Kent Downtown Partnership (KDP)

**Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations**
- Community building programs for Kent’s Downtown area, including networking, advocacy, and business advancement

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- Languages: English
- Eligibility: Kent historic downtown businesses, residents, and property owners
- Fee: Fee $0; donations and contributions accepted

**CONTACT**
- info@kentdowntown.org
- 253-813-6976
- 202 West Gowe Street, Suite A
  - Kent, WA 98032
downtownkentwa.com
Renton Chamber of Commerce

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

- Local business support, including leadership development, networking opportunities, advocacy, and resources to promote business prosperity

Marketing and advertising

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Networking

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<td>Eligibility:</td>
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Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

- Business advocacy association open to any business or organization with an interest in the economic health of the Seattle metro area, providing tools to help your business to grow and expand.

Networking

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SeaOle Southside Chamber of Commerce

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

- A community-driven membership organization offering information and resources to local businesses to help them grow, such as market research, promotion strategy, workforce issues, relocation assistance, landlord tenant issues and COVID-relief funding sources

Access to capital

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Seattle Southside Chamber of Commerce

Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

- An association of entrepreneurs and business advocates who are committed to economic power, educational excellence and social equity for African-Americans and the community at large
- Membership allows access to one-on-one support, business professional services, trainings, financial advising, and networking opportunities

Accessing

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Chambers of Commerce & Membership Organizations

- An association of entrepreneurs and business advocates who are committed to economic power, educational excellence and social equity for African-Americans and the community at large
- Membership allows access to one-on-one support, business professional services, trainings, financial advising, and networking opportunities

Advising

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Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

Organizations that provide support and services specific to ethnic and cultural communities

### Centro Rendu

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- Centro Rendu exists to protect, support, and defend Latino immigrant families through education, social services, legal advocacy, and leadership development

**Financial literacy**
- English and TODOS HABLAMOS ESPAÑOL!

**Employment readiness & job connections**
- Immigrant families, youth, and seniors in Northwest WA

**Case management**
- none

**Legal counseling**
- 253-499-4245

**Adult education**
- Centrorendu@svdpeattle.org

**Early learning**
- 2100 24th Ave. South, Suite 120

**Languages:** English, Amharic
**Eligibility:** Hispanic and Latino in King County and Puget Sound area
**Fee:** None

### Asia Pacific Cultural Center (APCC)

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- One-on-one small business technical assistance, including grant applications, technology skill-building, networking, and referrals

**Grant application assistance**
- faaluaina@asiapacificculturalcenter.org
- 253-383-3900
- 4851 South Tacoma Way
- Tacoma, WA 98409

**One-on-one technical assistance**
- asiapacificculturalcenter.org

**Technology support**
- faaluaina@asiapacificculturalcenter.org
- 253-383-3900
- 4851 South Tacoma Way
- Tacoma, WA 98409

### Ethiopian Community in Seattle

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- Community organization that provides social services to help members find temporary housing, health care and jobs. Cultural events are held regularly to preserve the Ethiopian heritage and facilitate intergenerational discussions.
- Long-term programs include Senior Health Promotion, Mental Health Promotion, and Business Resilience.
- All Programs and services are culturally aware, designed and implemented by staff and volunteers of Ethiopian origin.

**Languages:** English and Amharic
**Eligibility:** Ethiopian and Ethiopian-Americans in King County and Puget Sound area
**Fee:** None

### Contacts

**Access**

- Centrorendu@svdpeattle.org
- 253-499-4245
- Located in St. Vincent de Paul thrift store
- 310 Central Avenue North
- Kent, WA 98032
- centrorendu.org

**Contact**

- info@ecseattle.org; sohpiab@ecseattle.org
- 206-325-0304
- 2100 24th Ave. South, Suite 120
- Seattle, WA 98148
- www.ecseattle.org
Filipino Community of Seattle

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- Non-profit organization that runs programs for seniors, children and families
- Offers one-on-one business consultations, for assistance with topics such as networking, marketing, budgeting, translations, and grant applications

**One-on-one business advising**

**Networking and referral support**

Languages: English, Filipino dialects
Eligibility: Filipino and South Cambodian community members/business owners in King County and WA
Fee: Contact for information

**ACCESS**

**CONTACT**

info@flicommsea.org
206-722-9372
5740 Martin Luther King Jr Way South,
Seattle WA 98118
flicommsea.org

Horn of Africa

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- Non-profit social service provider offering support to the entire family, ages 16-months through seniors
- Technical support to women-owned home childcare providers including financial literacy and business planning

Family social service provider

Financial literacy

Childcare business technical assistance

**ACCESS**

**CONTACT**

info@hoas.org
206-760-0550
5303 Rainier Avenue South, Suite D
Seattle, WA 98118
hoas.org

Indian American Community Services (IACS, formerly IAWW)

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- One-on-one technical assistance for small businesses, including networking, mentoring, workshops, grant application support, business setup and growth, and technology training
- Referrals through trusted business network for topics such as legal services, insurance, business structure, marketing, and immigration

Networking and small business resources

One-on-one application and paperwork assistance

Business set-up and growth training

Languages: English, eight South Asian languages
Eligibility: Specialize in serving small businesses in the Indian American and underserved communities
Fee: None

**ACCESS**

**CONTACT**

directorcommunity@iaww.org
253-234-9989
PO Box 404
Bellevue, WA 98009-0404
iacswa.org

Iraqi Community Center

Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations

- Technical assistance for small businesses, especially for refugees and immigrants starting new businesses and adapting to American culture
- Referrals for specialized business assistance

Startup development

Cultural adaptation

Arabic translation

**ACCESS**

**CONTACT**

info@irccw.org
253-243-7744
10610 SE Kent-Kangley Road
Kent, WA 98030
irccw.org

Languages: English, Arabic
Eligibility: All welcome; specialize in assisting refugees and immigrants, startups
Fee: None
### Muslim Association of Puget Sound

**Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations**

- Technical assistance including support for accounting and bookkeeping; marketing and advertising; and outreach, networking, collaboration, and advocacy

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**Languages:** English, Arabic  
**Eligibility:** All welcome; specialize in assisting small businesses  
**Fee:** None

**Contact**  
smallbiz@mapsredmond.org  
(425) 861-9555  
17550 NE 67th Ct. Redmond, WA 98052  
mapsredmond.org

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### Seattle Washington State Korean Association

**Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations**

- Technical assistance via the Korean American Resource Center, for business services including translation, technology training, and grant/loan applications

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**Languages:** English, Korean  
**Eligibility:** Specialize in serving members of the Korean community; business owners requiring assistance with technology  
**Fee:** None

**Contact**  
cc19f@gmail.com  
206-428-3762  
14001 57th Avenue South Seattle, WA 98168  
seattleka.org

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### UTOPIA WA

**Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations**

- Culturally-appropriate resources based in advocacy, education, and outreach

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**Languages:** Samoan, Marshallese, Fijian, Tongan, Hindi, Korean  
**Eligibility:** All welcome; specialize in assisting members of the LGBTQIA+ communities, centering members of the Queer & Trans Pacific Islanders in Washington State  
**Fee:** None

**Contact**  
mail@utopiawa.org  
253-478-3941  
841 Central Avenue North, Suite C-106 Kent, WA 98032  
utopiawa.org

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### World Relief

**Cultural/Language-Specific Organizations**

- Navigation services for Refugee and Asylee resettlement including job training; access to capital; English language training; immigration and legal services; immigration detention ministry; children and family services

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**Languages:** Bengali, Burmese, Russian, Ukrainian, Bulgarian, Spanish, Nepali, Hindi, Urdu, Hakha/Lai-Chin, Falam Chin, French, Turkish, Mandarin, Tigrinya, Amharic, and Swahili  
**Eligibility:** Refugee, immigrant, and asylee small business owners  
**Fee:** None

**Contact**  
Schedule a virtual or socially distanced in-person meeting by emailing: dfernandez@wr.org or infoseaUle@wr.org  
253-277-1121  
23835 Pacific Highway South, Suite 100 Kent, WA 98032  
worldrelieffect.org
Financing Providers

Financial institutions that serve local small businesses

Craft3

Financing Provider

- Nonprofit lender that focuses on entrepreneurs unable to obtain bank financing, including borrowers with past credit challenges, incomplete financials, or limited collateral. It provides flexible and tailored debt capital to help customers grow their business, strengthen their market position, and build wealth.

**Startup or acquisition**
- Working capital
- Debt restructuring

**Commercial real estate**
- Financing for established nonprofits

**Languages:** English and Spanish
**Eligibility:** Business owners in WA and OR; streamlined review for loans under $250K, with lower rates for qualified BIPOC borrowers
**Fee:** Fixed interest rates starting at 5%

CONTACT

shakim@craft3.org
888-231-2170, extension 303
409 Maynard Avenue South, Suite 200
Seattle, WA 98104
craft3.org

Business Impact NW

Financing Provider

- Compassionate small business nonprofit lender who is more flexible than traditional banks because of community impact mission
- Exist to fund women, veterans, BIPOC, immigrants, LGBTQ+, disabled, and other traditionally underbanked entrepreneurs, and provides wrap-around business advising and training

**Startup businesses**
- Working capital
- Debt restructuring

**Established businesses**
- Financial Education
- Equipment

**Languages:** English and Spanish
**Eligibility:** Business owners in WA and OR; loans up to $350k
**Fee:** None

CONTACT

info@businessimpactnw.org
206-324-4330
1437 South Jackson Street
Seattle, WA 98144
businessimpactnw.org

Evergreen Business Capital & Community Finance

Financing Provider

- **Evergreen Business Capital (EBC)** is a Pacific NW Certified Development Company that offers SBA 504 loans including commercial refinancing options to small business owners
- **Evergreen Business Capital Community Finance (EBCCF)** is a Pacific NW Community Development Financial Institution that offers access to several small business loan products including SBA Community Advantage loans, USDA IRP loans, Microloans and WA Flex Fund loans

**Startup or acquisition**
- Working capital
- Debt restructuring

**Commercial real estate**
- Equipment financing

**Project financing**
- Equipment

**Languages:** English

**Eligibility:** Small Businesses in Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Northern Idaho

CONTACT

info@evergreen504.com; info@ebccf.org
206-622-3731
13925 Interurban Avenue South, Suite 100
Seattle, WA 98168
evergreen504.com; ebccf.org
**Mercy Corps NW**

**Starting and expanding a business**
- Mentors across a variety of industries available to support through MicroMentor program
- Loans from $4,500-$50,000 to startups and existing businesses who do not qualify for traditional loans

**Access to capital**
- Small businesses and non-profits can borrow up to $150,000 and the money can be spent flexibly, including on payroll, utilities & rent, supplies, marketing & advertising, building improvements or repairs, and other business expenses

**Languages:** English and Spanish

**Eligibility:** Small businesses in Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Northern Idaho

**Fee:** None

**Contact**
- pugetsound@mercy corps.org
- 503-896-5478
- Virtual-only in Seattle during COVID; 43 Southwest Naito Parkway
- Portland, OR 97204
- nw.mercycorps.org

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**Small Business Flex Fund**

**Flexible working capital loans**
- Small businesses and non-profits can borrow up to $150,000 and the money can be spent flexibly, including on payroll, utilities & rent, supplies, marketing & advertising, building improvements or repairs, and other business expenses

**Languages:** English

**Eligibility:** Washington-based businesses

**Fee:** No fees and interest-only payments for the first year

**Contact**
- To apply, visit: SmallBusinessFlexFund.org
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