

Resources for Creative Entrepreneurs

FUNDING & CAPITAL:

- **City of Philadelphia Department of Commerce** operates a number of programs for Philadelphia small business owners including tax credits, business coaching and forgivable loans. Learn more at www.phila.gov/departments/department-of-commerce.
- **Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development** offers a variety of financing, grants and incentives for businesses starting-up or relocating to Pennsylvania. Learn more at www.dced.pa.gov.
- **Small Business Administration (SBA)** offers a number of federal loans for small businesses. Learn more at www.sba.gov.
- **Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation (PIDC)** has an array of business loans, project development financing and tax advantaged financing available for qualifying businesses and nonprofits in Philadelphia. Learn more at www.pidcphila.com.
- **Benjamin Franklin Technology Partners of Southeastern Pennsylvania** provides access to capital, knowledge and networks for both early-stage and established companies in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Learn more at www.sep.benfranklin.org.
- **Community First Fund** provides capital through microloans and small business loans for start-up and business expansion projects. Learn more at www.communityfirstfund.org.
- **Reinvestment Fund** has opportunities for creative economy and creative placemaking financing and partnerships. Learn more at www.reinvestment.com.
- **The Merchants Fund** provides grants to Philadelphia businesses facing financial hardship. Learn more at www.merchantsfund.org.

TRAINING & CONSULTATIONS:

- **Pennsylvania Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)** are a statewide network providing one-on-one consulting, training and information resources for new and existing businesses. Learn more at www.pasbdc.org.
- **The Enterprise Center** supports minority entrepreneurs and under-resourced communities through business services, capital and community initiatives. Learn more at www.theenterprisecenter.com.
- **Urban League of Philadelphia Entrepreneurship Center** offers technical assistance, strategic planning and other resources to help small businesses grow. Learn more at www.urbanleaguephila.org/what-we-do/entrepreneurship-center.
- **Entrepreneur Works** has an array of training and guidance programs for entrepreneurs, in addition to loan opportunities. Learn more at www.myentrepreneurworks.org.
- **Women's Opportunities Resource Center (WORC)** provides entrepreneurial training, individual business assistance, incentive savings programs and access to business and financial resources for female-identifying entrepreneurs. Learn more at www.worc-pa.com.
- **Power Up Your Business** from the Community College of Philadelphia offers free business workshops, peer learning programs and best practices to support small

business owners in Philadelphia. Learn more at www.ccp.edu/business-and-industry/power-your-business.

- **Women's Business Enterprise Center** provides an array of business training and consulting services to women throughout Pennsylvania. Learn more at www.wbeceast.com.
- **SCORE Philadelphia** helps entrepreneurs and existing businesses solve problems through mentoring and support programs. Learn more at www.philadelphia.score.org

COMMUNITIES & MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS:

- REC Philly: www.recphilly.com
- CraftNOW: www.craftnowphila.org
- NextFab: www.nextfab.com
- StartupPHL: www.startupphl.com
- Philly Startup Leaders: www.phillystartupleaders.org
- Philadelphia Alliance of Women Entrepreneurs: www.phillyawe.org
- Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia: www.chamberphl.com
- African-American Chamber of Commerce of PA, NJ and DE: www.aachamber.com
- Greater Philadelphia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce: www.philahispanicchamber.org