

SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES

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**SERVICES FOR
MINORITY/WOMEN
BUSINESSES**

ORGANIZATION	PHONE	WEB SITE	ADDRESS	SERVICES	SERVICES FOR MINORITY/WOMEN BUSINESSES
ACCION USA		www.accionusa.org		Non-profit organization assists with loans for entrepreneurs who may not qualify for traditional loans.	
BIOENTERPRISE	(216) 658-3999	www.bioenterprise.com/services		Counseling, research, incubator, venture capital, seed money for biotech firms	
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE, INC.	(216) 469-0190	www.bdi-ohio.org	165-A Alpha Park Cleveland, OH 44143	Support for small businesses in medical device arena, including product development, international growth, training.	
B-to-B Connect (Solon chapter)	(440) 247-4511	www.btobconnect.com	Meets every other Friday 8:00 a.m. at Solon Hampton Inn, 6035 Enterprise Parkway, Solon, OH	Business to business referral group for business owners.	
COUNCIL ON SMALLER ENTERPRISES (COSE)	(216) 621-3300	www.cose.org		Provides counseling, training and other specialized services to small businesses, including Home-based Business Network.	YES
CUYAHOGA COUNTY: GROW CUYAHOGA COUNTY FUND	(216) 443-3159	www.development.cuyahogacounty.us		Small business loan program. Restaurants and retail are eligible.	
CUYAHOGA COUNTY VENDOR'S LICENSE	(216) 443-7030	www.cuyahoga.oh.us		Every Ohio retailer (vendor) making taxable retail sales must obtain one or more of the following types of vendor's license: regular, transient, delivery, service.	
GROWTH CAPITAL CORP.	(216) 592-2255	www.growthcapitalcorp.com		Small business financing up to \$4,000,000.	
IDEACROSSING		www.ideacrossing.org		Free online resource where entrepreneurs can connect w investment capital, professional expertise, and other resources to turn innovative ideas into viable businesses. (Affiliated with JumpStart)	
JUMPSTART INC.	(216) 363-3400	www.jumpstartinc.org	737 Bolivar Rd. - #3000 Cleveland, OH 44115	Financing, counseling, networking for early-stage companies in NE Ohio w. high growth potential.	YES
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	(330) 672-2692	www.techtrans.kent.edu	145 Auditorium Bldg. P.O. Box 5190 Kent, OH 44242	Resource for technology start-ups: venture capital, office & lab space, partnerships, commercialization of technologies	

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MAGNET (MFG. ADVOCACY GROWTH NETWORK)	(216) 432-5300	www.magnetnetwork.org	4600 Prospect Avenue Cleveland, OH 441103	Clearinghouse for manufacturers seeking assistance with improving productivity, global access, product innovation; business advocacy;	
MICRO ENTERPRISE SUPPORT PROGRAM (ODOD)	(614) 466-2718	www.development.ohio.gov/entrepreneurship		Ohio Dept. of Development training for senior citizens, baby boomers, veterans, displaced workers, physically challenged, minorities, youth, faith-based organizations with 1-5 employees.	YES
MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY		www.mbda.gov			YES
NANCE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION / CSU	(216) 687-4771	www.csuohio.edu/cba/mkt	2121 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44115	Noon@Nance Program (free marketing seminars)	
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR SELF-EMPLOYED		www.women.nase.org		News, financial tips, links to resources for women entrepreneurs	YES
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS	(440) 914-9262	www.nawbocleveland.org			YES
NATIONAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION		www.nationalbusiness.org		Nonprofit that assists owners of home based and small businesses.	
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS		www.nfib.com/page/toolsHome		Small business lobbying group that offers tools, tips, business products & services.	
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH		HTTP://tech-net.sba.gov		Small Business Innovation Research & Small Business Technology Transfer programs - federal grants for biomedical & behavioral research	
NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION		www.nsbaadvocate.com		Advocates for state and federal policies beneficial to small business	
NEO411.biz	(800)505-4811	www.NEO411.biz	50 Public Square #300 Cleveland, OH 44113	Web site provides demographic information & links to small business resources	
NORTHERN OHIO MINORITY BUSINESS COUNCIL	(216) 621-3300	www.nombconline.org		Educational, technical, & managerial resources, business development	YES
OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL		http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Business		Guide to help small businesses prevent and report scams	

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OHIO DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT SMALL BUSINESS HOTLINE	1-877-25SMBIZ	smallbiz@development.ohio.gov		Answers to business-related questions on topics such as starting, sustaining, closing a business, credit and financing, marketing, HR, management, etc.	
OHIO DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT 1st STOP BUSINESS CONNECTION	(800) 248-4040	www.odod.state.oh.us/onestop		Provides information on State of Ohio regulations and permits	
OHIO DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DIVISION	(800) 848-1300	www.minority.development.ohio.gov	77 South High St., 26th Floor Columbus, OH 43216	Outreach & advocacy for minority businesses - mentoring, management & technical assistance, access to financial resources.	YES
OHIO DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SBDC)	(800) 848-1300	www.entrepreneurohio.org		Provides information on business start-ups, incentives, international trade, environmental assistance.	
OHIO DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT WOMEN'S BUSINESS RESOURCE PROGRAM	(614) 466-2718	www.development.ohio.gov/entrepreneurship		Training, procurement, marketing, networking, counseling	YES
OHIO DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	(216) 987-8454			Home Day Care information. (Certification required if 6 or more children.)	
INITIATIVE (OH DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT)	(614) 466-5017	www.exportohio.state.oh.us	P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, OH 43216	Identifies sources of export financing	
SCORE (SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED EXECUTIVES)	(216) 522-4194	www.scorecleveland.org	1350 Euclid Avenue #216 Cleveland, OH 44115	Free counseling, seminars, workshops for start-up and existing small businesses.	
TECHLIFT	(216) 363-6883	www.techlift.org	737 Bolivar Road - Suite 1000 Cleveland, OH 44115	NorTech initiative provides Northeast Ohio's entrepreneurial technology companies with business services, mentorship and access to resources.	
U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA) BUSINESS INFORMATION CENTER	(216) 522-4180	www.sba.gov	1111 Superior Avenue #630 Cleveland, OH 44114	Financial (loan guarantees) , federal government contracting, counseling & technical assistance	
WECO FUND, INC.	(216) 458-0250	www.wecofund.com	3209 Chester Avenue Cleveland, OH 44114	Entrepreneur loan program, training, counseling. For low to mod income entrepreneurs.	YES
WOMEN'S BUSINESS CENTERS (WBC)	(216) 707-0777	www.onlinewbc.gov		SBA sponsored. Training, mentoring, counseling, loan packaging for women entrepreneurs.	YES