

Resources for Self-Employed Taxpayers

The following is a list of organizations that may be of assistance in starting or growing a small business. We do not endorse any of the listed organizations or guarantee the accuracy of the information provided by them.

Financing:

People Fund

PeopleFund creates economic opportunity and financial stability for underserved people by providing access to capital, education and resources to build healthy small businesses.

2921 E. 17th Street Building D Suite 1
Austin, TX 78702
(512) 472-8087
<https://peoplefund.org/>

Accion

Provides credit to small businesses that do not have access to loans from commercial sources.

9800 North Lamar Blvd Suite 280
Austin, TX 78753
(888) 215-2373
<https://aofund.org/>

BCL of Texas (Business & Community Lenders of Texas)

BCL of Texas is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit economic development organization providing lending, homeownership, entrepreneurship, and community development programs to fulfill our mission of Building Strong Communities across Texas.

1011 San Jacinto Blvd
Suite 500
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 912-9884
<https://bcloftexas.org/>

Federal Help for Financing:

US Grants: USA Grant Applications

USA Grant Applications is an online grant application system that accesses free money applications from a variety of sources and turns them over to you. USA Grant Applications was designed to give you the help you need to locate and apply for these funds because if you are like most Americans, you just don't know where to start.

<https://usagrantapplications.org/v9/?tc=ya&msclkid=dee2ea45c8221f164fed8bd3500c820>

US Small Business Administration: Office of Small Business Development Centers

The Mission of the Office of Small Business Development Centers is to promote entrepreneurship, small business growth and the U.S. economy by providing the critical funding, oversight and support needed by the nationwide network of Small Business Development Centers.

www.sba.gov

<https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba-locations/headquarters-offices/office-small-business-development-centers>

Counseling/Courses:

EGBI (Economic Growth Business Incubator)

EGBI provides training, coaching and support to aspiring and existing business owners who face barriers to growing a successful business.

1144 Airport Blvd #260

Austin, TX 78702

(512) 928-2594

<http://egbi.org/>

SCORE

Provides free 1-on-1 counseling and mentoring. Classes in English and Spanish on business plans, marketing, loans, and start-up issues.

5524 Bee Caves Rd, Bldg M, Suite 100

Austin, TX 78746

512-928-2425

<https://www.score.org/austin>

Texas State University Small Business Development Center

Provides start up information, along with business plan, marketing, financial, and accounting assistance.

505 E Huntland Drive Suite 460

Austin, TX 78752

512-520-9379

<https://sbdc.mccoy.txstate.edu/>

BiG Austin (Business Investment Growth)

BiGAUSTIN has been at the heart of Central Texas entrepreneurship for over 25 years! We are focused on a combination of small business and workforce development. We provide innovative solutions and create financial strength for our clients. We remain proudly committed to building healthy, sustainable communities.

8000 Centre Park Drive, Suite 200

Austin, TX 78754

(512) 928-8010

info@bigaustin.org

<https://www.bigaustin.org/>

Austin Community College Continuing Education Small Business

Jumpstart or refine your small business management skills. The Continuing Education Small Business Management Series at ACC covers business fundamentals, including business planning, market research and analysis, HR and operations planning, financials, and legal concerns.

<https://continue.austincc.edu/business>

Austin Community College Associate Degree in Business Programs

Austin Community College offers two-year associate degrees in business for Central Texas's high demand fields. It provides a strong foundation for a successful business career.

<https://www.austincc.edu/academic-and-career-programs/areas-of-study/business>

Legal:

Legal Assistance to Microenterprise Project of Texas

Provides free legal assistance to financially eligible small businesses. Conducts classes in English and Spanish on business structure; local, state, and federal taxes; licensing issues; transactional questions.

RioGrande Legal Aid

4920 North IH 35

Austin, TX 78751

512-374-2700

www.texasbar.org

Resources for Specific Populations:

Texas Free Grants and Loans for Minority and Women-Owned Businesses

<https://www.womenandminoritybusiness.org/texas-free-grants-and-loans-for-minority-and-women-owned-businesses/>

Capital City African American Chamber of Commerce

Provides assistance with business plans, marketing, financial issues, bid packaging, and computer classes for new and existing small businesses.

912 E. 11th Street, Suite A

Austin, TX 78702

512-459-1181

<https://www.austinbcc.org/>

Greater Austin Asian Chamber of Commerce

Provides seminars on how to start a business, business financing, marketing, and government procurement. Assists with writing business plans, financial assessment, and loan packaging.

8001 Centre Park Drive, Suite 160

Austin, TX 78754

512-407-8240 | www.austinasianchamber.org

Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Provides classes and 1-on-1 consulting on how to start a business, loans, and financial management. Assists with business plans. Access to a computer lab and computer literacy training.

3601 Far West Blvd. Suite 204

Austin, TX 78731

512-476-7502

www.gahcc.org

More Resources:**City of Austin Small Business Division**

Our program strives to provide helpful programs and resources to guide small business owners.

5202 E. Ben White Blvd, Suite 400

Austin, TX 78741

512-974-7800

<http://www.austintexas.gov/department/small-business-development-program>

Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce

Provides free and low cost workshops on management, sales, and marketing.

535 East 5th St

Austin, TX 78701

512-478-9383

www.austinchamber.org

Info: Provides free and low cost workshops on management, sales, and marketing.

Internal Revenue Service Small Business Self-Employed

Website provides tax tips, tax calendar, rules and regulations, information for new businesses and individual industries.

512-499-5529

www.irs.gov/smallbiz

Small Business Assistance, Office of Economic Development, Office of Texas Governor

Offers a variety of services, including assistance with permitting, licensing and regulatory compliance, small business resource referrals and informational small business webinars and events

<https://gov.texas.gov/business/page/small-business>