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UCEDC, a private, non-profit statewide economic development corporation, is dedicated to stimulating economic growth for small businesses throughout New Jersey by providing them with resources and solutions for business expansion. Since 1977, UCEDC has helped entrepreneurs open their doors and assisted established businesses expand into new markets through innovative lending, comprehensive training initiatives and government procurement programs.

Financing

Access to capital is often a business owner's largest hurdle. We offer a variety of financing programs to meet your needs at every stage of your business's growth. As an SBA lender, we offer loans from \$500 to \$5.5 million through the microloan, Community Advantage 7(a) and 504 financing programs. Speak to our experienced staff to find the option that meet your needs.

Government Contracting

Federal, state and local government agencies spend billions of dollars each year buying goods and services from small businesses, just like yours. UCEDC can help you break into this lucrative market through free specialized training programs, one-on-one counseling services, and assistance in preparing bids and contract management.

Training

Whether you're looking for short presentations, day-long workshops, or intensive courses, UCEDC has the training and technical assistance you need to succeed. Our training professionals will help you master a wide variety of business and financial topics.

Business Tools

UCEDC produces a wide array of business resource reports to provide you with the insights you need to make smart decisions. Market data, commercial real estate information, demographic analyses, and comprehensive contact lists for business advocacy organizations and agencies are just a few of the vital reports you'll find, free of charge.

Resources to Help Your Business Grow

Sustaining and starting a business can be an extremely important and rewarding endeavor, but can also be quite challenging. This publication is not a detailed walk-through of the start-up process, but is a tool to help you get started by providing you with both general and county specific business resources.

Please consider this list as a starting point, however inclusion does not imply complete endorsement of the resource by UCEDC, nor should any value judgment be inferred from an entity's omission from this list.

FEDERAL/STATE BUSINESS RESOURCES

<u>US Small Business Administration</u>	Phone: 973-645-3680	John M. Blackstock District
Two Gateway Center Suite	Fax: 973-645-6255	Director
1002	E-mail:	
Newark, NJ 07102	john.blackstock@sba.gov	Website:
	www.sba.gov	

The US Small Business Administration, established in 1953, provides financial, technical and management assistance to help Americans start, run, and grow their businesses. The SBA provides loan guarantees to area lenders for loans to small business. The SBA is the nation's largest financial backer of small business.

<u>New Jersey Business Action</u>	Phone: 1-800-JERSEY-7	Melanie Willoughby Executive
<u>Center</u> 33 West State Street	Fax: 609-292-5509	Director
Trenton, NJ 08625	Email: feedback@sos.state.nj.us	
	Website: www.nj.gov/state/bac	

The New Jersey Business Action Center (NJBAC) is a business-first resource staffed by experts who can help your business whether you are just getting started or are already established. Our team can help you get answers from government agencies, direct you to appropriate officials or contacts, facilitate meetings and follow-ups with regulatory agencies and so much more, all at no cost and strictly confidential.

Whether you are an entrepreneur, own a business on "Main Street", are located on a corporate campus, or interested in expanding your products and services through export, we're here for you. We are a business advocacy team within the Department of State, dedicated to solving problems and maximizing growth opportunities.

Our team includes the Office of Business Advocacy, the Office of Small Business Advocacy, the Office of Export Promotion, the Office of Planning Advocacy and the Business Helpline. Our experts know the ins and outs of operating a business in the Garden State and can put that knowledge to work for you.

Our motto says it all. "Business questions? NJBAC has answers!" Call our Business Helpline at 1-800- JERSEY-7 or visit us at www.nj.gov/state/bac/business-support today.

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New Jersey Business & Industry Association
10 Lafayette Street
Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: 609-393-7707
Email: info@njbja.org Website:
www.njbja.org

Michele N. Siekerka President

The New Jersey Business & Industry Association provides information, services and advocacy to its member companies in order to build a more prosperous New Jersey. NJBIA is the nation's largest statewide employer association. Its members, as a group, employ more than one million people. Member benefits include exclusive access to low-cost auto insurance through New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company (NJM).

New Jersey Economic Development Authority
36 West State Street
P.O. Box 990
Trenton, NJ 08625

Phone: 844-965-1125
Email: customercare@njeda.com
Website: www.njeda.com

Timothy Sullivan
Chief Executive Officer

The Authority's programs are tailored to the individual needs of the business community by assisting with creative financing packages, technical assistance, site selection and acquisition. In addition, the authority offers a business advocacy service providing assistance in dealing with state government.

New Jersey Pride Chamber
155 Willowbrook Boulevard, Suite 350
Wayne, NJ 07470

Phone: 973-869-9567
Email: info@njpridechamber.org
Website: www.njpridechamber.org

Noah Michael O'Hare President

The organization is New Jersey's premier LGBTQ business association dedicated to strengthening LGBTQ businesses in the New Jersey tri-state area. The chamber increases the economic staying-power of its members and allies and facilitates successful business collaboration. It is a platform for business visionaries, and the first stop for LGBTQ entrepreneurs and allies seeking to advance and access opportunity and resources.

New Jersey State Library System – Small Business Services

Phone: 973-733-7779
Email: reference@npl.org Website:
www.njstatelib.org

The New Jersey State Library System provides many services including small business services. If you have a business question ("Ask a Business Librarian"), you can have your question answered by a business research expert from the Newark Public Library, a service supported by the New Jersey State Library. Please send your detailed question to the above email. With a card from any New Jersey Library, you can also use the library's Business Research Tools to get access to market research and company databases.

New Jersey State Women's Chamber of Commerce (NJSWC)

Phone: 973-277-1425
Email: info@njwomenschamber.org
Website: www.njwomenschamber.org

Mamie Tolbert
President

The New Jersey State Women's Chamber of Commerce's mission is to support, connect, and advocate for women business owners throughout the state of New Jersey. We aim to amplify your voice, expand your reach, and empower your success through a comprehensive range of programs, resources, and opportunities.

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State Street
Trenton, NJ
08608

Phone: 609-571-1620
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Email: jharmon@aaccnj.com
Website: www.aaccnj.com

John E. Harmon, Sr. President
& CEO

The African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (AACCNJ) is dedicated to economically empowering and sustaining African American communities and businesses through entrepreneurship and capitalistic initiatives throughout the state of New Jersey and through its partnership with the National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (NBCC).

New Jersey Chamber of Commerce 216 West
State Street Trenton, NJ
08608

Phone: 609-989-7888
E-mail: theresa@njchamber.com
Website: www.njchamber.com

Thomas Bracken President &
CEO

For more than a century, the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce (NJCC) has been the business community's voice in Trenton. NJCC promotes the interests of its members and the state's business community via legislation and regulations that will grow the economy, create new jobs and make the state more competitive and more affordable for everyone.

Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey
1280 Wall Street, Suite 312
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Phone: 201-935-0035
Fax: 866-226-1828
E-mail: chamber@shccnj.org
Website: www.shccnj.org

Carlos A. Medina President &
CEO

As a not-for-profit organization for over 28 years, the Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (SHCCNJ), has become the voice of the 119,000 Hispanic owned businesses that contribute over \$20 billion to the State's economy. The Chamber is the premier vehicle to access the Latino community and its formidable purchasing power, as evidenced by our growth of non-Hispanic membership reaching 45 percent.

Rutgers University Center for Urban Entrepreneurship & Economic Development 1 Washington Park
Newark, NJ 07102

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Email: lrichardson@business.rutgers.edu
Website: www.business.rutgers.edu

Lyneir Richardson Executive
Director

The Center for Urban Entrepreneurship & Economic Development (CUEED) is the first center of its kind in the nation to integrate scholarly works with private capital, government, and non-profit sectors to develop citywide resources and bring renewed economic growth and vitality through urban entrepreneurship. The center promote sand fosters a new generation of urban entrepreneurs who actively seek socially conscious urban renaissance.

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U.S. Department of Commerce -
Commercial Service,
Central/Southern Jersey

402 East State Street
Trenton, NJ 08208

Phone: 609-896-2731
Email: lauren.platz@trade.gov
Website: www.trade.gov

Lauren Platz International Trade
Specialist

The U.S. Commerce Service, an important part of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration, helps New Jersey companies export goods and services to overseas buyers.

New Jersey Small Business
Development Center – Fairleigh
Dickinson University: (Hunterdon,
Somerset)

285 Madison Avenue
Madison, NJ 07940

Phone: 201-692-2236
E-mail: sbdcinfo@fdtu.edu
Website: www.njsbdc.com

Matt Well Regional Director

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) provides free professional, comprehensive consulting and training services to both start-up and established small business owners.

SCORE/Central Jersey: (Hunterdon,
Middlesex, Somerset)
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Somerville, NJ 08876

Phone: 908-380-8772
E-mail: patricia.franchino@scorevolunteer.org
Website: www.centraljersey.score.org

Patricia Franchino SCORE Chair

SCORE is a volunteer association sponsored by the US Small Business Administration. Most SCORE volunteers are retired business owners though some members still work. Volunteers work in or near their home communities to provide management counseling and training to first-time entrepreneurs and current small business owners.

Resources to Help Your Business Grow**LOCAL BUSINESS RESOURCES – HUNTERDON COUNTY****County of Hunterdon, County**

Clerk 71 Main Street

PO Box 2900

Flemington, NJ 08822

Phone: 908-788-1214

E-mail:

countyclerk@co.hunterdon.nj.us

Website:

www.co.hunterdon.nj.us

Mary H. Melfi County

Clerk

*The Clerk's Office registers new business.***Flemington Community****Partnership** 50 Stangl Road

Flemington, NJ 08822

Phone: 908-809-5464

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[communications@FlemingtonCP.c](mailto:communications@FlemingtonCP.com)om Website:www.loveflemington.com

Robin Lapidus Executive

Director

*Flemington Community Partnership is a business improvement district with the mission of fostering a thriving business community in the Borough of Flemington.***CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE – HUNTERDON COUNTY***The following Chambers of Commerce serve as a clearinghouse of information and resources for the business community within their coverage area, including networking. The goal of each chamber is to help strengthen and grow the general businesses environment in their respective community.***Hunterdon County Chamber of****Commerce** 119 Main Street

Flemington, NJ 08822

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Website:

www.hunterdon-chamber.orgChristopher J. Phelan President
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