

COVID-19

BUSINESS RESOURCE PARTNERS

FLORIDA SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER NETWORK (SBDC):

The Florida SBDC Network provides tools, training and resources to help small businesses grow and succeed. Designated as Florida's provider of small business assistance, the Florida SBDC Network has more than 40 offices from Pensacola to Key West to serve the needs of Florida's business community.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA)

SBA is offering designated states and territories low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Upon a request received from a state's or territory's Governor, the SBA will issue under its own authority, as provided by the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act (CARES Act) that was recently signed by the President, an Economic Injury Disaster Loan declaration. Visit the SBA website for technical assistance and to apply for the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL).

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

The Department of the Treasury is supporting American workers and businesses who are impacted by the coronavirus by promoting the Paycheck Protection Program. The Paycheck Protection Program prioritizes millions of Americans employed by small businesses by authorizing up to \$349 billion toward job retention and certain other expenses. Small businesses and eligible nonprofit organizations, Veterans organizations, and Tribal businesses described in the Small Business Act, as well as individuals who are self-employed or are independent contractors, are eligible if they also meet program size standards. Visit the Treasury website for more information or to apply for the Paycheck Protection Program.

NATIONAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTER (NEC) ORLANDO, FL

The NEC is dedicated to the development, growth and success of small businesses. Through a cooperative effort of a diverse group of organizations, the NEC offers easy access to professional business assistance, quality educational programming and practical industry expertise. Visit the NEC website for technical assistance and business education. You may also view the NEC Partner Directory.

PROSPERA

Prospera is an economic development, nonprofit organization that specializes in providing bilingual assistance to Hispanic entrepreneurs who want to establish or expand their business. Prospera offers a variety of services especially designed for Hispanic small business owners including training, consulting, grants and access to capital. Visit the Prospera website for technical assistance, business education resources or loan facilitation.