

## *Business Technical Assistance*

### Small Business Development Center

<http://wsbdc.org/>

The Small Business Development Center promotes economic vitality by providing advice, training and research to entrepreneurs and existing businesses statewide. To learn more visit their website. Contact John Rodenberg at (253) 680-7768 or [jrodenberg@bates.ctc.edu](mailto:jrodenberg@bates.ctc.edu).

### Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises

<http://omwbe.wa.gov/>

OMWBE develops programs designed to improve the contributions of minority and women-owned small businesses to the Washington State economy. The OMWBE assists qualified minority and women businesses in the State OMWBE certification process for public contracting and procurement and access to financial opportunities. To learn more [visit their website](#).

### Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE)

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

SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to educating entrepreneurs and helping small businesses start, grow, and succeed nationwide. SCORE is a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and has been mentoring small business owners for more than forty years. Located at Bates Technical School, Room M-123B, 1101 S. Yakima Ave., Tacoma, WA 98405. Contact: (253) 680-7770

### Access Washington

<http://business.wa.gov/>

This Washington State site has many resources for small businesses.

### Washington State Department of Commerce

<http://www.commerce.wa.gov/smallbizhelp/>

The Department of Commerce site lists many resources for small businesses.

### Washington State Governor's Office of Regulatory Assistance

<http://www.ora.wa.gov/business.asp>

This new online guide with five chapters can help prospective business owners Plan and Start. Existing business owners will find information they need in Run, Grow or Close chapters.

## Small Business Administration “SizeUp”

Small business owners and start-ups across the country can now take advantage of a new business tool to help them compete and grow. The free tool, called SizeUp, helps businesses identify new customers and compare their performance against other businesses in their industry with data collected from hundreds of private and public sources. The tool can be found at <https://www.sba.gov/tools/sizeup>

## Washington State Procurement and Technical Assistance (PTAC)

Helping local companies obtain government contracts. This is a free service to all Washington state companies. <http://washingtonptac.org/>