





Weekly news & updates Bronx Business Tech Incubator

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The **Bronx Business Tech Incubator** (BBTI) along with the **Small Business Development Center** (SBDC) at Lehman College work intensely to support businesses in the county of the Bronx especially during unpredictable situations such as the one we are going through with COVID-19. The purpose of this newsletter is to share with you information about free events that will help your business as well as resources about funding and more! **Check them out!**

Small Business Development Center - Bronx

For over 30 years we have serviced all types of small businesses in New York and have achieved goals and impacted thousands of lives. Whether it is a business that is just starting or a business that is ready to expand, we are ready to help. **More Information on our website**

Upcoming Events

New York's SBDC provides business training to startups, entrepreneurs and small business owners across New York State. **Check out here** what is happening in the Bronx!

Leadership Workshop Series hosted by SBDC Bronx:

7/8 - 9AM. Responsible Decision-Making for Your Business. Click to register

7/15 - 9AM. Financial Literacy for Business & Home. Click to Register

Ongoing

BOC Bronx Women's Business Center is offering free webinars.

FREE Accounting one-on-one's for Small Business Owners. FREE one-on-one Sessions With a CPA to discuss your Business Needs. Understand the financial & tax impact of EIDL/PPP, financial projections and strategies to create a financially sound business.

FREE Health and Safety one-on-one's for Small Business Owners. Best practices for Small Business during COVID - 19. Free one-on-one session with a Health and Safety expert. Discuss the required protocols & necessary steps during these difficult times.

Link to other free events with U.S. Small Business Administration - **click here**

Boots to Business (B2B) is an entrepreneurial education and training



Information About Funding (cont'ed)

The **New Bronx Chamber of Commerce** is here for you. We're working hard to get our business owners resources and information as it becomes available. Are you a Bronx business interested in applying for a relief program? We can help!

Click here for a lot more information.

Crowdfunding

Kiva has expanded eligibility, increased the maximum loan size from \$10,000 to \$15,000 and introduced a six-month grace period on its zero-interest crowdfunded loans. Support local business during the Coronavirus pandemic!

Helpful Information

<u>Ascend NYC website</u> has launched and businesses can inquire about joining the program.

program offered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) - *Offering webinars* see list of classes here. More information. click here

Information About Funding

New!

NYS COVID-19 Pandemic Small Business Recovery Grant Program

Stacy's Rise Project

The Stacy's Rise Project is offering \$10,000 grants to 10 entrepreneurs. Applicants must have between \$25,000 and \$1M in annualized sales, participate in the virtual Mentorship Program and should not be part of an accelerator program at the time of entry. Applications are open through July 9.

Jane Walker by Johnnie Walker will be funding 15 groundbreaking women-owned businesses through the end of the year. Each recipient will receive a \$10K grant plus a one-year IFundWomen Annual Coaching Membership. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis through October 2021. Business must be owned at least 50% by a self-identified woman, generate a minimum of \$25K in annual revenue and have a product/service in one of the following categories: Entertainment & Film, Music, Journalism, Sports, STEM and Hospitality.

WomensNet Amber Grant

WomensNet gives away at least \$10,000 every month in Amber Grant money. They've now added an Annual \$25,000 Amber Grant as well as marketing and \$2000 mini grants. **See the full list here**.

The KKR Small Business Builder Grant will provide \$10,000 grants to selected small businesses with 5-50 employees and less than \$7M annual revenues, with an emphasis on companies that are pivoting in response to the pandemic, are operated by historically underrepresented groups and/or are providing important community services. Recipients will also receive technical support and access to a network of resources.

ADDITIONAL GRANT & FUNDING RESOURCES covering NYC, Finger Lakes,
Hudson Valley, Central NY, and many more
areas. **Read more here** and see below.

The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce has created the **Bring Back Brooklyn Fund Loan and Grant Program**

New York Forward Small Business Lease Assistance Partnership

Support Services for Small Businesses to Renegotiate their Lease and Avoid Eviction.

Restaurant Revitalization Fund

The American Rescue Plan Act established the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) to provide funding to help restaurants and other eligible businesses keep their doors open. The SBA is still accepting applications. For more information and how to apply, **click here**

Other Resources

Negotiating Your Commercial Lease

NY's moratorium on commercial evictions is currently due to expire on August 20. Businesses who have not yet discussed renegotiating their lease should begin doing so; those who reached a temporary agreement should consider a longer-term arrangement. **More Info Here**

Promote your business on the home page of the *New York Women in Business* website. For just \$15 a week. Click here for more information.

Introducing the NYC Small Business Resource Network

Are you a small business? We are here to help you.

Legal resources for small businesses

There are a range of resources available to New York City small businesses:

- New York City Bar Association
- Moderate Means program
- Legal Referral Service
- Pro Bono Partnership

NY State and City Programs

New York's <u>Shared Work Program</u> lets companies keep trained staff and avoid layoffs. Employees can receive partial Unemployment Insurance benefits while working reduced hours. Full-time, part-time and seasonal employees are eligible.

New Resources, Webinars and Good News from the *Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative* - **Check updates here**

SCORE's most updated online resources at **Coronavirus Funding Support for NYC.**Small Business Resilience Training: **Industry Resources**

Check NYC/EDC and COVID-19 Business Relief Resources

Help for the Bronx, COVID-19 has hit the Bronx, hard. But there's help. **Check this out!**

Read more!

Resources from *Bronx Community College* to help the local Bronx community:

- a listing of companies that are hiring right now - <u>here</u>
- resources to help individuals and businesses disrupted by COVID-19 here
- free online courses on a range of topics - <u>here</u>

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