

# 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!

### 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**

#### ¡Atención Negocios de Habla Hispana!

Si desea tener asistencia técnica personalizada acerca de las ayudas disponibles para los propietarios de negocios, y otro tema que necesite establecer para hacer crecer su negocio, puede solicitar una cita de consejería en español e inglés aquí **Bronx SBDC**. Si aún no es cliente de SBDC solicite una cita, llenando el formulario SBA 641.

#### UPCOMING FREE EVENTS

*South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation (SoBro)* is offering free webinars:  
**Tuesday, April 11, 6:00pm - 7:00pm**  
**CREDIT INC - Financial Statements: The Statement of Cash-flows.** [Register Here](#)

*NY Women in Business* is offering a free workshop:  
**Monday, April 17, 6:00pm**  
**Virtual Networking Event: Conversations & Connections.** [Register Here](#)

#### Business Breakfast Meetings

Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce is offering Business Breakfast Meetings on the 1st Wednesday of every month. [Register here](#) to be able to join these meetings.



LEHMAN COLLEGE Cannabis Workforce Initiative THE BRONX CANNABIS HUB  
A Collaboration Between Cannabis USA & WTK

### Cannabis Career Exploration and Worker Rights Certificate Program

**REGISTER NOW:**  
Lehman College, CUNY on the Concourse, 2501 Grand Concourse, 3rd floor, Bronx NY 10468  
<https://tinyurl.com/lehman-cwi>  
Sessions are on Thursdays from 6pm-7:30pm  
**PROGRAM IS AT NO-COST**

**SCAN TO REGISTER**



### Cannabis Career Exploration and Worker Rights Certificate Program

Starts on 4/20, 10 sessions on Thursdays, from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Free Sessions are in-person or online. [Register Here!](#)


#### Wednesday, May 24, 2023

7:45 AM - 3:00 PM

#### OPPORTUNITY THROUGH DIVERSITY: REACH, RESPONSE, RELIABILITY. 2023 MWBE | SDVOB PROCUREMENT CONFERENCE

A one-day event designed to help you learn, grow, and network. Join us to discover new procurement opportunities throughout The City University of New York and its 25 campuses, alongside the City University Construction Fund and other state agencies.

[REGISTER NOW](#)



**LEHMAN COLLEGE  
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**FROM DEGREES.....  
TO JOBS!**

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Call: 718-960-8666

Email: [adult.degree@lehman.cuny.edu](mailto:adult.degree@lehman.cuny.edu)

[Read More](#)

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The School of Continuing and Professional Studies at Lehman College has several job openings:

1. ADP Enrollment Service Coordinator - [Apply Here](#)
2. ADP Academic Advisor - [Apply Here](#)
3. Business Advisor (Continuing Education Specialist) - [Apply Here](#)
4. Swim Coordinator - [Apply Here](#)
5. CNA Coordinator - [Apply Here](#)

## LATEST NEWS!



### Lehman College Summer Camp in the Bronx

**CAMP IS BACK!** Give your kids a summer to remember at Lehman College.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2023 ARE OPEN! [Click here to apply.](#)

## OTHER RESOURCES

### Mayor Adams, SBS Commissioner Kim Announce Opening of Applications for Historic \$75M "Opportunity Fund" to Help Small Businesses Lead Pandemic Recovery

Approximately 1,500 local businesses will be served by the fund — with loans up to \$250,000 at a market-leading rate of 4 percent. [Read More](#)

### The Business Outreach Center (BOC) Network Presents The New York State MWBE Business Growth Accelerator

A unique opportunity for construction industry firms in the mid-hudson region of New York State. [Read More](#)

### NY State and City Programs

New York's **Shared Work Program** 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*

## Information About Funding (cont'ed)

### Federal and State Programs

#### SBA Loans Helping Small & Medium Businesses Grow & Reduce Cost During A Recession!!

Small business lending has been cut in half since the beginning of the pandemic. It's harder to get approved for a business loan and receive the full amount of funding that you need. Vertex with its many lending partners is here to help. [Read More!](#)  
[Start your loan process here!](#)

The **Empire State Development website** offers Grants, Tax Credits, and Technical Assistance Programs for Businesses Affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Business Pandemic Recovery Initiative.

The **New York Forward Loan Fund** offers low-interest loans to NY businesses with 50 or fewer employees.

**WE Legal**, provides women entrepreneurs a

**Initiative - Check updates here**

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

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

- a listing of companies that are hiring right now - [here](#)
- resources to help individuals and businesses disrupted by COVID-19 - [here](#)
- free online courses on a range of topics - [here](#)

### **Legal resources for small businesses**

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

- **New York City Bar Association**
- **Legal Referral Service**
- **Pro Bono Partnership**

### **Information About Funding Federal and State Programs**

#### **New York State Seed Funding Grant Program**

**Apply today for up to \$25,000 in Covid-19 Relief for your business!**

GOVERNOR HOCHUL ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF NEW YORK'S FIRST-IN-THE-NATION \$200 MILLION SEED FUNDING GRANT FOR EARLY-STAGE BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY COVID-19.

**Apply Now!**

#### **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](#)

range of support and services that target negotiation and legal protection.

### **General Funding**

**Up to \$25,000 in New York State tax credits available for costs incurred to comply with COVID-19 safety guidelines**  
Empire State Development recently announced the **COVID-19 Capital Costs Tax Credit Program**, providing up to \$25,000 in tax credits to eligible businesses that spent money to comply with emergency orders and regulations, or to increase public safety in response to COVID-19. **See more here**

A public/private partnership, the **NYC Small Business Resource center** will connect eligible small businesses with specialists to provide assistance in technology, real estate, legal and accounting services, procurement opportunities, marketing, sources of loans and grants, and more.

**CitizensNYC** offers grants of up to \$10,000 in Neighborhood Business Grants, which prioritize businesses owned by people of color, immigrants, and women.

The **Bronx Overall Economic Development Corp (BOEDC)** is offering zero-interest, 2-year Business Continuity Loans of \$25-100K.

**SBA loans:** many lenders are re-energizing traditional loan programs, including microloans, 7A (typical business loans) and 504 loans (for property and equipment).

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.**

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