





# **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**

#### Tuesday, March 14 from 11:00am - 12:00pm

South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation (SoBro) is offering a free webinar: EAC/CREDIT INC - Financial Statements: The Balance Sheet & Income Statement. Register Here

#### Wednesday, March 15 from 6pm-7pm

BOC Brooklyn Women's Business Center is offering a free workshop: Choosing Your Legal Structure & Protecting Your Assets. Register Here

#### Thursday, March 16 from 3pm - 5pm

NY Women in Business is offering a free workshop:

Boost the impact of your content marketing with Al. 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.

#### **Cannabis Workforce Panel Discussion**

Sponsored by the Bronx Cannabis Hub and Lehman College School of Continuing and Professional Studies Please join us for a Virtual Panel Presentation covering work opportunities in

the newly emerging NYS cannabis industry.

Wednesday, March 15 from 6PM - 8PM





#### From March 23 - March 25

Our client, Terra Renee, Founder and President of African American Women In Cinema Organization, Inc.(AAWIC) is hosting The 23rd African American Women in Cinema Film Festival- **Get tickets here** 

Read more about this event here.





# LEHMAN COLLEGE - ADULT DEGREE PROGRAM

FROM DEGREES.....TO JOBS!

Is It Time For You To Go Back To School? Would a Bachelor's or Master's Degree Enhance Your Career?

### ATTEND AN INFORMATION SESSION TO LEARN MORE!

See more here!

Visit: www.lehman.edu/adult

Call: 718-960-8666

Email: adult.degree@lehman.cuny.edu

Read More

#### JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

- 1. Continuing Education Director Apply Here
- 2. ESL Coordinator Apply Here
- 3. Summer Camp Director Apply Here
- 4. Swim Coordinator Apply Here
- 5. CNA Coordinator Apply Here
- 6. NCLEX Program Assistant Apply Here

#### **LATEST NEWS!**

#### More than a Camp! -- Summer camp scholarships

Dear Lehman CUNY Community - Students, Staff & Alums,

This *Giving Tuesday*, we are raising money to fund scholarships for our children's summer camp. The scholarships will cover 50% of the summer camp tuition for members of the Bronx community. To find out about the impact summer camp can have on children and donate, please visit us here.

If you are interested in **Lehman's summer camp** for your own children registration will begin in **February 2023.** 

With much appreciation, Jane MacKillop, PhD Dean, School of Continuing and Professional Studies

**DONATE NOW!** 

#### 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 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 (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 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

# 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-THENATION \$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**.

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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