

The Exchange

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Resources for local small businesses, nonprofits, and community groups.



NEW THIS MONTH



How to Prepare for a Federal Grant

How can you prepare now for a grant application before a Notice of Funding Opportunity is posted? The EPA provides helpful links to trainings and webinars, grant writing tips, and grant opportunities. Learn more [HERE](#).



Los Angeles County Public Works is dedicated to increasing our business with SEs. The SE Preference Program was designed to increase contracting opportunities for enterprises whose primary purpose is to enhance Los Angeles County through economic, social, and environmental sustainability.

Why register as an SE with Los Angeles County?

- 15-percent* bid price reduction (up to \$150,000)
- listed on an inter-departmental County database
- Access to County networking events

Learn more and get your business listed as an SE [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 8

Reducing Barriers to Contracting training [Register](#)

EPA Virtual Outreach Webinar for prospective Brownfield Training, Research, and Technical Assistance Grant applicants [More Info](#)

DEC 12

(en español) LA County Virtual Public Meeting: What food cart vendors & manufacturers need to know about SB 972 [RSVP](#)

DEC 20

Deadline to apply for Pavement Reconstruction contract with LADPW [Apply](#)

LA County Public Works Contract Deadlines for this month: [Deadlines](#)

Tax Education Workshops throughout the month of December: [Register](#)



Small businesses, micro businesses, and non-profits in LA county may qualify for financial relief through THE Economic Opportunity Grants (EOG) program.

EOG offers **\$60+ million in grant awards**, technical assistance, and other County services to help businesses recover, stabilize, and grow!

Grants will be available over multiple rounds starting in January 2023. [Sign up today](#) for additional information



Let's get back to work!

3 reasons to sign up for Pandemic Recovery Rapid Reemployment

- 1 Workforce readiness services
- 2 On the job training
- 3 Access to career advisors

Pandemic Recovery Rapid Reemployment is helping LA County job seekers get back to work now with training, support, and connections to quality jobs in growing industries.

Learn more: bit.ly/GetCareerReady

department of economic opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Small businesses and job seekers can connect to immediate post-pandemic support including work readiness training, transitional employment opportunities, streamlined hiring and reduced payroll costs through the **Pandemic Relief Rapid Reemployment program!**

Potential participants will be connected to a Career Pathways Advisor who will provide specialized help every step of the way! Applications are now live and can be accessed via the following link: [visit here](#)



Get FREE legal support for your small business!

Know your rights. Get help with rent increases and commercial leases.

bit.ly/LegalHelpLA

department of economic opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

LA County has teamed up with Bet Tzedek Legal Services and Public Counsel to provide free legal assistance and rent relief to small business owners affected by COVID-19. Connect with free legal experts who can provide help on a number of legal issues such as:

- drafting/reviewing contracts, business structure and entity formation
- drafting and reviewing commercial leases
- employment law advice covering issues such as hiring and termination, wage and hour rules, employee safety, and paid leave
- application of COVID regulations to business operations and more!

[Visit here](#) to learn more or to determine eligibility.



Community PARTNERS LACDA

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Lacountycprgrant.submittable.com

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILDCARE PROVIDERS RECOVERY GRANT

Has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted your childcare business?

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

GRANTS STARTING AT

\$15,000

AMOUNT BASED
ON BUSINESS TYPE AND SIZE

APPLY THROUGH
FEBRUARY 14, 2023

If your childcare business has been affected by COVID-19, the LA County Development Authority is here to help with grant amounts for eligible licensed family childcare homes begin at \$15,000 and \$40,000 for eligible licensed childcare centers. The applications process is open until february 14, 2023. For more information [Click Here](#), call (213) 600-1908, or email cprgrant@communitypartners.org.

SBA PPP Direct Forgiveness Portal



Register and Apply for PPP Forgiveness

This portal is made available by the US Small Business Administration to streamline forgiveness processing for PPP Borrowers. After registration, you may use this streamlined process to automatically submit your forgiveness request to your lender.

The SBA also offers live customer service to borrowers at 877-552-2692.

[Click Here To Register](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

Build Back Better with LA County Contracting Opportunities

With resources from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), LA County is working to partner with community service providers and businesses that can help our communities recover. To learn about current solicitations and contracting opportunities, [visit here](#).

Thriving Communities Program | US Department of Transportation

This fall the DOT and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be issuing Notices of Funding Opportunities for organizations interested in providing technical and capacity building assistance. It is expected that states, local governments, nonprofits, and philanthropic entities will be eligible. [Learn more](#).

California Financing Coordinating Committee

The California Financing Coordinating Committee (CFCC) combines the resources of four State and two Federal funding agencies to provide a one-stop shop for available grants, loans and bond financing for infrastructure projects. Visit <https://www.cfcc.ca.gov/> to explore funding opportunities.

Become a City Vendor – Culver City

The City of Culver City welcomes the opportunity to foster business relationships with high-quality suppliers and service providers at the best value for our city. The Purchasing Division is responsible for the procurement of equipment, goods and services for all City departments, divisions and offices. To register: [Become a City Vendor - City of Culver City](#)

Procurement Division of The Department of General Services (DGS)

The Certification and Outreach Branch supports the State of California's small business (SB) and disabled veteran business enterprise (DVBE) firms through outreach, education, advocacy and certification services. This branch processes certification applications, addresses certification inquiries, conducts outreach to businesses, and supports buyers throughout the state to work with SBs and DVBEs. Call 800-559-5529 or visit [Procurement Division \(ca.gov\)](#) to learn more.

Cal eProcure

The Cal eProcure system is the State of California's home for state procurement and certification programs. Through this system business owners can learn how to sell to the State, search bid opportunities, get certified as a Small Business (SB) or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBE), and find training and resources. [Visit Cal eProcure](#)

Small Business (SB) / Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Advocate Directory

The State of California agencies, boards, departments, and panels that have SB/DVBE Advocates can be found in the SB/DVBE Advocate Directory. The directory can help you find and connect with the advocate for the agency you would like to work with to learn more about their department's procurement needs and future contracting opportunities. ***Some agencies have chosen to have a SB/DVBE First Policy.* [Click here](#) to learn more about that designation. [Find Your SB/DVBE Advocate](#)

Division of Procurement and Contracts (DPAC) at the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Caltrans commits to an overall Small Business contracting goal of 25 percent and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise goal of 5 percent. Businesses interested in contracting opportunities with Caltrans can contact the Division of Procurement and Contracts for more information and visit the Department of General Services Cal eProcure program to obtain business certification. Call 916-227-6000 or visit [Procurement and Contracts \(DPAC\) | Caltrans](#).

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES CONT'D

Affordable Connectivity Outreach Program

NEW!

The ACP Outreach Grant Program is one tool among a comprehensive set of measures authorized by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (Infrastructure Act) and implemented by the FCC to help bridge the digital divide. The ACP Outreach Grant Program will help increase awareness of and participation in the ACP among eligible households. The ACP Outreach Grant Program provides new federal funding for the FCC to grant eligible governmental and non-governmental entities with the funding and resources needed to increase awareness of and participation in the ACP among those households most in need of affordable connectivity. *Applications due by January 9, 2023.* Apply here: [Affordable Connectivity Outreach Program](#)

TOOLS & SERVICES

Small Business Guidance

CalOSBA Small Business Centers

CA Office of the Small Business Advocate

Small business technical assistance centers in over 30 languages. No-cost one-on-one consulting and low-cost training services and programs. [More Info](#)

Free Legal Support for Small Business

LA County WDACS

Free legal aid and rent relief to small business owners affected by COVID-19. [Visit here](#) or call 1-866-375-9511 to learn more & determine eligibility.

Learn How to Contract with LA County

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)

Interested businesses can [visit here](#) to sign up for a tailored assessment by a Small Business Counselor.

Start a Business in Culver City

Information on the requirements to do business in Culver City. Connect with the Business Resource Center. [More Info](#)

DIR Small Business Portal

CA Dep. of Industrial Relations

Guidance on workplace laws. [Visit](#)

Sidewalk & Park Vendor Permit Program

Free workshops, webinars, and business counseling. [More Info](#)

Tax Services

Apply for Tax Exempt Status

CA Franchise Tax Board

Tools and guidance for charities and nonprofits seeking tax exemptions. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA City Office of Finance

Services, forms, tax education, and FAQs. [Visit](#)

Taxpayers' Rights Advocate

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

Assistance with rights violations in the audit or collection of taxes or fees. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA County Treasurer and Tax Collector

Pay property tax and apply for a business license. [Visit](#)

Tax Guide for Nonprofit Organizations

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

[Visit](#)

Helpful Tools

Charity Registration & Guidelines

Office of the Attorney General

Register a charity, submit annual disclosures, learn best practices, and review charitable giving laws. [Visit](#)

Let's Volunteer LA

A directory launched by Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti in partnership with Inspiring Services. Nonprofits in LA County can post their information and locals can find places they to volunteer. [Lets Volunteer LA](#)

EDD Employer Services Online

Payroll services, eWOTC, and SIDES E-Response. [Employer Services Online \(ca.gov\)](#)

Parklet Permits

Parklets are permanent installations to expand outdoor restaurant dining, create a customer waiting area, display art, or plant a garden. Culver City [Parklets - Culver City](#)
LA City [Parklets | \(lacity.org\)](#)

Youth@Work Elevate Program

Connect to highly motivated career-ready young adults, ages 17-24. Internships are 100% covered for up to 400 hours. [Join](#)

NEW!

FOR MORE INFO & SERVICES



Phone: 888-211-0644
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Los Angeles, CA 90020
LA County WDACS



<https://infrastructurela.org/>



U.S. Small Business Administration

Los Angeles District Office
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Los Angeles, CA 90012
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Sacramento, CA 95814
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<https://www.dir.ca.gov/>



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California Financing
Coordinating Committee

<https://www.cfcc.ca.gov/>



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Advocate for Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) and Small Business Liaison:
(916) 210-6358
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Culver City Business Hotline
(310) 253-5765

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