

# The Exchange

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



## NEW THIS MONTH



### 2023 Los Angeles Black History Month Festival Vendor Submissions Open

Vendor and Sponsorship Submission Available for Charitable Cause

Seeking: Non Food Vendors for 10x10ft spaces, Food Vendors for 10x10ft spaces (No Trucks Permitted), Brand Sampling Vendors and Non Profit/Social Service agencies to table as well.

Visit our Site at: [www.LABlackHistoryMonthFestival.com](http://www.LABlackHistoryMonthFestival.com)

## Get back to business!

### Nonprofits in LA County may qualify for up to \$20k in financial relief!

The **Economic Opportunity Grant** program offers \$54+ million in grant awards, one-on-one technical assistance, and other County services to help businesses recover, stabilize, and grow!

- Non-profits with less than \$5 million in revenue are eligible to apply.
- Grants will be available for non-profits starting in February 2023.

*Learn more!*



[grants.lacounty.gov](http://grants.lacounty.gov)



## More help is on the way!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FEB 13

SBA Free Webinar: COVID EIDL Repayment Webinar [Register](#)

### FEB 14

CDTFA Free Workshop: Basic Recordkeeping [Register](#)

### FEB 15

SBA Free Workshop: Veteran-owned Small Business Certification [Register](#)

### FEB 16

Culver City Mandatory Pre-Application Meeting: Special Events Grant Program [Register](#)

### FEB 21

La Law Library Free Class: Starting & Growing Your Business [Register](#)

### FEB 23

CDTFA Free Webinar: Basic Sales & Use Tax [Register](#)

AccessingLA Free Workshop: Construction Industry [Register](#)

### FEB 28

CDTFA Free Webinar: Food Industry Tax [Register](#)

LA Law Library Free Class: Business Model Workshop [Register](#)

## FREE ONLINE BUSINESS CURRICULUM

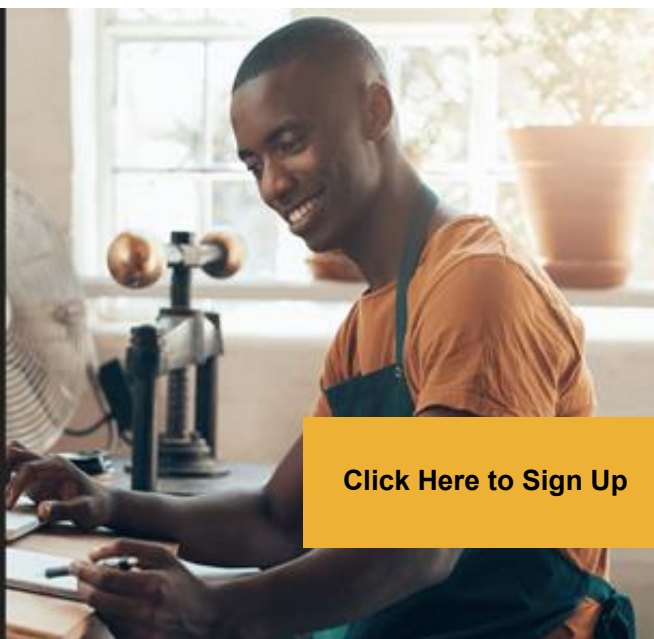


LOS ANGELES AREA  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
FOUNDATION

# Verizon Small Business Digital Ready

Grow Your Business

## SIGN UP TODAY!



[Click Here to Sign Up](#)

[Click Here to Complete the Interest Form](#)

# Pandemic Recovery Rapid Reemployment

Small businesses can quickly hire qualified new talent with up to 100% wages covered!

**Perks of partnering with DEO:**

- 1 Reduce payroll costs
- 2 Easily hire new talent
- 3 Access supportive services

Sign up to become a worksite. Visit [bit.ly/HireLocalTalent](https://bit.ly/HireLocalTalent).



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# Re-Imagine General Hospital

DEO is seeking a vendor to reimagine the historic General Hospital and transform the 25 acres of land into a place of recovery, growth and healing!



[WELCOME](#) [ENVENIDOS](#)



[Learn more!](#)

**Mandatory Site-Walk/Exclusive Site-Walk**  
Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 10am PT  
Deadline to RSVP: February 15, 2023

# FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

## UPCOMING DEADLINES

### LA County Economic Opportunity Grants Program

Small businesses, micro businesses, and non-profits in LA county may qualify for financial relief through our Economic Opportunity Grants (EOG) program. EOG offers \$54+ 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 and next steps!

### Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced a total of \$1.5 billion is available under the RAISE grant program for FY 2023. Applications are due by February 28, 2023. [Learn more.](#)

### Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR) is soliciting applications from eligible entities to provide technical assistance to assist communities facing brownfields challenges. Applications are due by February 14, 2023. [Learn more.](#)

### Brownfields Training, Research, and Technical Assistance

The EPA's OBLR Office is soliciting applications for funding to eligible entities to provide training, research, and technical assistance to facilitate the inventory of brownfield sites, site assessments, remediation of brownfield sites, community involvement, or site preparation. Applications are due by February 14, 2023. [Learn more.](#)

### Creative Recovery LA Grant Initiative Program for the LA County Nonprofit Arts and Culture Sector



The Department of Arts and Culture will award over \$26 million in American Rescue Plan funds to deliver financial relief and recovery to the LA County nonprofit arts and culture sector. Applications are open NOW through February 15. [Learn more.](#)

### Reproductive Health Care Access Initiative Request for Proposal (RFP)

The purpose of the PDIS Grant Program is to provide funding for physical facility and digital security enhancements for health care facilities and practitioners providing abortion-related services and reproductive health care services throughout California that may be the target of violence and vandalism. Applications are due by March 2, 2023. There are 2 RFPs --for [facilities](#) and [practitioners](#).

### The Bureau of Reclamation Water Conservation, Management, and Restoration Grant



announced that \$80 million is available for water conservation, water management, and restoration projects. The Bureau is looking for projects that are part of a collaborative process, do not cost more than \$6 million, and can be completed within three years. [Applications](#) are due by March 28, 2023.

### The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Environmental Justice Grants



Availability of \$100 million under TWO environmental justice programs:

[The Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Program \(EJCPS\) Cooperative Agreement Program](#) will provide \$30 million to community-based nonprofit organizations with projects that address public health or environmental issues in their local communities.

The [Environmental Justice Government-to-Government \(EJG2G\) Program](#) will provide \$70 million for state, local, and tribal governments with projects that address public health issues in their communities. Partnerships with community-based nonprofit organizations is required.

Applications for both programs are due by April 10, 2023. [Learn more.](#)



## ONGOING 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](#).

## 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 | \(lacity.org\)](#)

## FOR MORE INFO & SERVICES



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