

The Exchange

ASSEMBLYMEMBER ISAAC G. BRYAN | JUNE | 2023

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



NEW THIS MONTH

UPCOMING EVENTS

ACCESSING RECOVERY FUNDS

Get Help with Prepping and Applying
for Upcoming Government Funding

PREPARATION AND APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

This program will help participants understand contracting requirements, assessment of current capacity needs and other available resources to pursue government dollars.

Contact & Get
Support

JUN 5

How to Start a Business. SBA
Webinar [Register](#)

JUN 6

10 Pasos Para Iniciar su
Empresa. SBA Webinar
[Register](#)

CEO Summer Session for
Start-ups and New
Businesses: Intro &
Orientation. 9-week course.
[more info](#)

JUN 9

Small Business Meet Up. Small
Business Majority Event.
[register](#)

JUN 13

Master Class for Women-
owned Small Businesses.
Virtual, multi-week course.
[register](#)

JUN 15

Entrepreneurship 101.
Webinar. [more info](#)

JUN 27

Getting Healthy Foods to
Those in Need & Cooking
Healthier Foods. EJ Webinar
Series for Houses of Worship
and Communities [Register](#)



Sign Up Here

Resilient Business
Advising Program

Businesses accepted into this program will partner with an expert advisor to assist with a wide variety of business needs, including marketing, operations and procurement.



Chief
Executive
Office. [Upcoming Grant Opportunities](#)

The American Rescue Plan represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity to address LA County's most urgent inequities. Visit [ARP Grant Opportunities – Los Angeles County \(lacounty.gov\)](#) for details on upcoming grant opportunities from American Rescue Plan programs in Los Angeles County.

For information on contracting opportunities, visit [American Rescue Plan Act: Contracting Opportunities \(lacounty.gov\)](#).

FREE LEGAL HELP FOR LA COUNTY SMALL BUSINESSES!

Save time, money and resources for your small business! Connect with legal experts to get help navigating the complex legal system. Topics include commercial lease agreements, contract negotiations, intellectual property, and more!

Visit bit.ly/FreeLegalSupport to apply!

department of economic opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEO teamed up with Bet Tzedek Legal Services and Public Counsel to provide the free legal service to small businesses impacted by the pandemic. Small businesses in LA County can connect with legal experts and access ongoing webinars, one-on-one counseling, and legal academies at NO-COST to help businesses maintain their status, personnel, property, and revenue streams!

Legal topics include commercial lease agreements, employee safety, wages, and paid leave benefits, contract negotiation, intellectual property, tax liability, business entity structure, and bankruptcy. Small businesses interested in receiving free legal help can [visit here](#) to get started! Multi-lingual assistance can be provided upon request. Call 866-375-9511 for



Smithsonian
NATIONAL EDUCATION SUMMIT
JULY 18-20, 2023
24 VIRTUAL WEBINARS | FREE REGISTRATION
IN-PERSON WORKSHOPS | WASHINGTON, D.C.
<http://s.si.edu/EducationSummit2023>

[Join us July 18-20, 2023 for this year's Summit, offering limited capacity spots for in-person professional learning and networking, as well as online-specific sessions.](#)

This event will feature museum experts and teacher practitioners in free online webinars, plus in-person skill-building workshops and deep-dive discussions at the Smithsonian in our nation's capital, Washington D.C. Either way, you'll leave with a toolbox full of classroom-ready ideas

PreK-12 educators, librarians, media specialists, and policymakers nationwide are invited to participate in sessions exploring four distinct tracks including:



Life on a Sustainable Planet



STEAM Education



Reckoning with Our Racial Past



An Integrated Arts Education

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

UPCOMING DEADLINES

LA County Economic Opportunity Grants Program

Microbusinesses (under \$50,000 in revenue) 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!

Deadline Extension - EPA EJ Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program (EJ TCGM)

The [Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking \(EJ TCGM\) Program's](#) Request for Applications (RFA) has extended the application to **June 30, 2023!** The entities eligible to apply under this RFA and serve as an Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaker fall into four categories. They include:

- A community-based nonprofit organization;
- A partnership of community-based nonprofit organizations;
- A partnership between a Tribal Nation and a community-based nonprofit organization; or,
- A partnership between an institution of higher education and a community-based nonprofit organization.

EPA Clean School Bus Grant Funding and Webinars

The Agency is asking for applications nationwide to award approximately \$400 million in competitive grant funding to eligible applicants for the purchase of zero-emission (ZE) school buses, clean school buses, and ZE charging infrastructure. EPA is prioritizing applications that will replace buses serving high-need local education agencies, rural areas, Tribal school districts funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and public school districts receiving basic support payments for students living on Tribal land, and rural areas. [Applications are due by Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 11:59PM ET.](#)

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

U.S. DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

[The DOT Navigator](#) is a resource to help communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services.

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. **Division of Procurement and Contracts** program to obtain business certification. Call 916-227-6000 or visit [Procurement and Contracts \(DPAC\) | Caltrans](#).

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](#)

(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

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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Advocate for Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) and Small Business Liaison:
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