

Business Resources

Lafayette County Economic Development strives to provide comprehensive resources to local and new businesses so they can prosper in their communities. We have partnered with various organizations in order to provide the tools necessary to be successful.

Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC)

www.wedc.org

Making great ideas into better realities is possible in a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem like Wisconsin's. Built on a foundation of constant improvement and advancement, our state strengthens new business innovation through supporting startups from seed to growth stage.

We know there can be obstacles along the path from idea to commercialization.

WEDC's entrepreneurial programs are designed to further advance startup activity by supporting the full path from startup to commercialization. By working with our statewide network of partners, our initiatives spur entrepreneurial activity by providing direct capital infusions and incenting investments through angel and venture tax credits, mentoring, training and other important resources. Plus, you'll have access to the location you want, the talent you need, and the investment in research and development that will keep your business at the forefront of innovation.



Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA)

www.wheda.com

WHEDA works closely with lenders, developers, local government, nonprofits, community groups and others to implement its low-cost financing programs. Since 1972, WHEDA has financed more than 73,000 affordable rental units, helped more than 125,800 families



purchase a home and made more than 29,000 small business and agricultural loan guarantees.

WHEDA's mission is to stimulate the state's economy and improve the quality of life for Wisconsin residents by providing affordable housing and business financing products.

WHEDA provides the tools to help people and communities realize their hopes and dreams.

Small Business Development Center (SBDC)



<https://wisconsinsbdc.org/centers/southwest-wisconsin-sbdc/>

The Small Business Development Center in Southwest Wisconsin helps entrepreneurs succeed at any stage. We offer no-cost, confidential consulting and business education across a wide region, primarily serving Crawford, Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette and Richland counties.

Small Business Administration (SBA)

www.SBA.gov

The SBA provides tools to plan, launch manage and grow your business in Southwest Wisconsin. They provide expertise through Regional Economic Development, SCORE, SBDC, Women's Business Centers (WBC) along with other programs and virtual tools.



SCORE

www.score.org

SCORE is the nation's largest network of volunteer, expert business mentors, with more than 10,000 volunteers in 300 chapters.



As a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), SCORE has helped more than 10 million entrepreneurs through mentoring, workshops and educational resources since 1964.

Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation

www.wwbic.com

At the Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation, we start with your dream. A dream of owning a business... or growing a business... or creating jobs for yourself and others.

To that we add our expertise in business planning, financing, and accessing resources that will assist you in making that dream a reality.

As a statewide organization, WWBIC works with both women and men by offering relevant business classes, business loans up to \$250,000, assistance with your personal financial management, and connections to people who can make things happen.



Lafayette Development Corporation (LDC)

LAFAYETTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Lafayette Development Corporation is made up of stakeholders from each municipality in Lafayette County. The Lafayette Development Corporation assists the communities of Lafayette County in their efforts to retain current businesses, including agricultural, and to promote the development of new business and industry, while enhancing the quality of life for residents. The LDC will accomplish this mission through aggressive marketing of assets and facilitating cooperation between federal and state agencies, communities and all interested participants

Supporting Documents

SBA Resource Guide 4.22 MB