Education Forum for Small Pharmaceutical Businesses

U.S. Small Business Administration



Office of Entrepreneurial Development

Business and Community Initiatives

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The Small Business Advantage











Providing Entrepreneurs with Knowledge and Tools

- National network of resource Partners
- Traditional One-on-one Counseling
- Training & Education
- Online Training and Counseling
- Information and Referrals
- Strategic Partnerships for niche markets specialized training & materials



Our story in Numbers

- Pre-venture & Existing
- Clients Served FY 20052,605,546
 - Online CustomersOver 1,100,000



Small Business Development Centers

- SBDCs are a cooperative effort among
 - * SBA
 - Colleges and Universities
 - State & local governments
 - Private sector
- 63 Lead SBDCs
 - Each Lead Center has a network of service centers (1,100 service centers throughout U.S. and U.S. territories)



- Economic Development Urban/Rural
 - Customized to the Community
 - Business Development
 - Catalyst for Entrepreneurship
- Specialized services:
 - International Trade
 - Technology Development
 - Defense Transition and Gov't Procurement
 - Regulatory Compliance
 - Drug-Free Workplace Programs



Office of Women's Business Ownership

- Women's Business Ownership Act 1988
- First women's business centers 1989
 - Public-private partnership
 - Targets socially and economically disadvantaged women
 - Long-term training, counseling, mentoring, support



 90 centers – In most states, DC and American Samoa

- Women's Network for Entrepreneurial Training
 - WNET Roundtables Each unique
 - About 200 nationwide
 - Expert and peer mentoring



OWBO's Strategic Alliances



National Women's Business Council

Women's Business Organizations



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◆ SCORE

- A national, nonprofit association. SCORE's mission is to provide small business counseling and training to help America's entrepreneurs succeed.
- Over 350 offices nationwide
- Volunteers who have achieved business success—and want to help you succeed in your business.



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SCORE

On-line counseling through the SCORE web site, www.score.org

International Visitors

Over 1100 visitors representing 127 countries

Co-sponsorships

Strategic Alliances to provide expert resources in specialized areas



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- Co-sponsorship Examples
 - Food and Drug Administration
 - Internal Revenue Service
 - The Hartford
 - Junior Achievement
 - FBI/NIST
- On-line Publications



Small Business Training Network

Classes available 24/7 at www.sba.gov/training
 on:

Financing

Marketing

Risk Management

E-commerce

Government Contracting

International Trade

Tax Planning



Office of Native American Affairs

- ◆ The Office of Native American Affairs goal is to serve as the entrepreneurial anchor for American Indians, Native Alaskans and Native Hawaiian, tribal governments, tribal colleges, Indian organizations, and other Federal agencies, as well as the private sector business communities.
- Assist NAs gain access to SBA's programs



Office of Native American Affairs

- Provides economic development services to NA small businesses to supplement and support the Indian nations' plan for economic stimulus
 - Contracts
 - Resources and referrals



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