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## **SBA's Dallas/Fort Worth District Office Announces Its Small Business Hotline**

**Fort Worth, TX** – Herbert Austin, Director for the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA), Dallas/Fort Worth (D/FW) District Office, announced today that the district office will now have a Small Business Hotline to assist the small business community in response to concerns they may have during these unsure economic times.

The purpose of the hotline is to have a designated telephone number where small business owners can call with business and financing related questions. The hotline number to call is 817-684-5563 and it will be answered Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

“I am pleased to offer the hotline to the small business community in the North Texas area. It is important for SBA to try and ease the concerns of the small business community by providing answers to business questions, offer advice, and details on SBA loan programs that could be of help to small businesses,” said Austin.

With concerns about the down-turn in the economy, business owners can call the hotline number with specific questions and receive a call back from a business expert. The SBA's resources such as Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) and SCORE - Counselors to America's Small Business are the best sources of free and confidential small business advice to help you. These counseling partnerships provide free business counseling and guidance in every aspect of business operations. They are ready to help.

For more information about all of the SBA's programs for small businesses, visit the SBA Web site at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov)

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