

Weekly news & updates

Bronx Business Tech Incubator

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The **Bronx Business Tech Incubator (BBTI)** along with the **Small Business Development Center (SBDC)** at Lehman College work intensely to support businesses in the county of the Bronx especially during unpredictable situations such as the one we are going through with COVID-19.

The purpose of this newsletter is to share with you information about free events that will help your business as well as resources about funding and more! **Check them out!**

Small Business Development Center - Bronx

For over 30 years we have serviced all types of small businesses in New York and have achieved goals and impacted thousands of lives. Whether it is a business that is just starting or a business that is ready to expand, we are ready to help. [More Information on our website](#)



Upcoming Events

New York's SBDC provides business training to startups, entrepreneurs and small business owners across New York State. [Check out here](#) what is happening in the Bronx!

The **New York Women in Business** is offering a webinar on Dec 9 at 3PM. **Top 8 Social Media Mistakes To Avoid in 2022** The webinar and post-conference networking are free. You must register to attend. [See more and register here](#)

Business Outreach Center (BOC) Network Bronx Women's Business Center (WBC) is offering several FREE workshops. See below:

1. Doing Business with NYC Department of Education - Procurement Online Workshop. **Tuesday, 11/30 2:00 p.m - 4:00 pm.** [Register here](#)
2. Choosing and Managing Your Legal Structure & Protecting Your Assets. **Wednesday, 12/08 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm.** [Register Here](#)

Information About Funding

Federal and State Programs

The **New York State COVID-19 Pandemic Small Business Recovery Grant Program** provides grants to New York small businesses, micro-businesses and for-profit independent arts and cultural organizations.

The **New York Forward Loan Fund** offers low-interest loans to NY businesses with 50 or fewer employees

Child Care Stabilization Grant

For clients that have not already submitted an application in response to outreach from the Office of Child and Family Services. [Read more!](#) **Deadline is Tue. Nov 30**

For restaurants, the state offers **Restaurant Resiliency Program grants** for restaurants that choose to provide meals and food to people within distressed or under-represented communities.

There is also a **Restaurant Return-to-Work Tax Credit** to help bring restaurant staff back-to-work, and to increase hiring at NYS restaurants.

General Funding

SBA loans: many lenders are re-energizing traditional loan programs, including microloans, 7A (typical business loans) and 504 loans (for property and equipment).

Brooklyn Alliance Capital is offering grants for purchase of PPE and zero-interest **Bring Back Brooklyn Loans** of up to \$10,000.

3. How to Become Women Owned Small Business (WOSB) Federal Certification - Online Workshop.
Thursday, 12/16 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm.
[Register Here](#)

*** **Online link will be sent to participants 24-hours prior to the event.**

Other Resources

New!

We are so proud to introduce **Verizon Small Business Digital Ready** - a *free* online curriculum designed to give small businesses like yours the personalized tools to succeed in today's digital world. Learning modules, expert coaching, peer networking and more. **[Register now](#)** for our free online curriculum and move your business forward.

Small Business Saturday

If you just started a business, you might be looking for ways to get your name out in your community. Why not do that on a national shopping day devoted to small businesses—aka Small Business Saturday (SBS)? **[More information](#)**

PPP Forgiveness

Borrowers may be eligible for Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan forgiveness. Links to forms, FAQs, instructions on documentation and other information are available at the **[SBA's PPP Website](#)**

The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce has created the **[Bring Back Brooklyn Fund Loan and Grant Program](#)**

The **New Bronx Chamber of Commerce** is here for you. We're working hard to get our business owners resources and information as it becomes available. Are you a Bronx business interested in applying for a relief program? We can help!
[Click here for a lot more information.](#)

WomensNet Amber Grant

WomensNet gives away at least \$10,000 every month in Amber Grant money. They've now added an Annual \$25,000 Amber Grant as well as marketing and \$2000 mini grants. **[See the full list here.](#)**

Introducing the NYC Small Business Resource Network

Are you a small business? [We are here to help you.](#)

Legal resources for small businesses

There are a range of resources available to New York City small businesses:

- **[New York City Bar Association](#)**
- **[Moderate Means program](#)**
- **[Legal Referral Service](#)**
- **[Pro Bono Partnership](#)**

NY State and City Programs

New York's **[Shared Work Program](#)** lets companies keep trained staff and avoid layoffs. Employees can receive partial Unemployment Insurance benefits while working reduced hours. Full-time, part-time and seasonal employees are eligible.

New Resources, Webinars and Good News from the *Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative* - **[Check updates here](#)**

Small Business Resilience Training by **SCORE** - **[Industry Resources](#)**

Check NYC/EDC and **[COVID-19 Business Relief Resources](#)**

Help for the Bronx, COVID-19 has hit the Bronx, hard. But there's help.
[Check this out!](#)

Resources from **Bronx Community College** to help the local Bronx community:

- a listing of companies that are hiring right now - **[here](#)**
- resources to help individuals and businesses disrupted by COVID-19 - **[here](#)**
- free online courses on a range of topics - **[here](#)**

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