

HELP FOR STARTING A NEW BUSINESS

Kansas Small Business Development Center

What it does: Basic and advanced coaching, classes, online resources. Especially good for beginners with a free two-hour workshop every week.

Location: 5015 E. 29th Street North (corner of 29th and Oliver)

Phone: 316-978-3193

Website: <http://webs.wichita.edu/?u=ksbdc&p=/index>

NetWork Kansas

What it does: Routes entrepreneurs statewide to the right organization or government agency; several funding programs.

Phone: 877-521-8600

Website: <http://www.networkkansas.com/>

Service Corps of Retired Executives

What it does: Individual basic and advanced business coaching for free; some classes. Under the SBA.

Location: 220 W. Douglas, Suite 450

Phone: 316-269-6273

Small Business Administration

What it does: Guarantees private loans, point agency for government contracts, great online resources.

Location: 220 W. Douglas, Suite 450

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/> Also see: <http://business.usa.gov/start-a-business#>

Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce Small Business Division

What it does: Specializes in plugging businesses into the community, including the chamber's economic development organization.

Location: 350 West Douglas Avenue

Phone: 316-265-7771

Website: <http://www.wichitachamber.org/>

Wichita State University

What it does: Mostly for students but there is some entrepreneurship training, marketing and technical advising for local businesses.

Location: 1845 N. Fairmount

Phone: Center for Entrepreneurship: 316-978-3000; Center for Economic Development and Business Research: 316-978-3225; Technology Transfer Manager: 316-978-5199

Website: <http://www.wichita.edu/>

Wichita Tech Corp.

What it does: Nonprofit that advises and invests in high-tech companies in a variety of fields.

Location: 7829 E. Rockhill Road

Phone: 316-651-5900

Website: <http://www.wichitatechnology.com/>

Nonprofit Solutions

What it does: Maximize the resources of charitable organizations by providing outsourced administrative services such as human resources, payroll, financial statements and consulting and marketing.

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