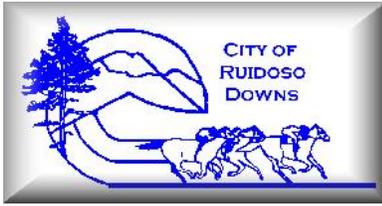


Here to Help



Dozens of organizations – public and private, local and national – are in business to help business. They offer free or low-cost advice, training, technical assistance and industry expertise. Some will connect you with money, whether it's a loan, a grant or direct investment.

Many nonprofit organizations and government agencies have offices or field representatives throughout New Mexico and they are only a phone call – or email – away.

Local assistance, networking and workshops

- Small Business Development Center at NMSU – Alamogordo (575-439-3660 or nmsbdc.org) for workshops, business consulting and help with certificate programs to obtain government contracts (Procurement Technical Assistance Program)
- Ruidoso Valley Economic Development Corporation (888-570-1089 or rvedc.org) for regional market statistics and potential business development incentives
- Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce (257-7395) for networking, events and connections
- New Mexico Biz Calendar, Southeast Region (bizcalendar.org) for other business events

Specialized assistance offered by New Mexico-based organizations (many of which have field representatives who serve our area)

- New Mexico Economic Development Department (gonm.biz) for potential tax incentives, certification training, international trade assistance and community programs such as Arts & Culture District development and the MainStreet Program.
- New Mexico Manufacturing Extension Partnership (newmexicomep.org) for help setting up or streamlining manufacturing processes that lead to higher profits
- Veteran's Business Outreach Center (vboc.org) for business assistance provided to U.S. Armed Forces Veterans
- Arrowhead Center at NMSU – Las Cruces (arrowheadcenter.nmsu.edu) for research and support of technology ventures

Capital, financing and special grants

- Your community bank for financing your business; your local banker knows the community and has an interest in helping it thrive
- USDA Rural Development (rurdev.usda.gov/nm) for business development loans, grants to upgrade energy systems and loan guarantees for biorefineries; the agency also offers various producer grants on a competitive basis
- WESST (wesst.org) for microloans smaller than your bank may provide
- Accion (accionnm.org) for startup loans your bank may not be able to accommodate
- The Loan Fund (loanfund.org) for loans and lines of credit backed by the state
- The City of Ruidoso Downs (ruidosodowns.us) for potential business development incentives

For other resources, visit

<http://financenewmexico.org/category/resources/?city=Ruidosodowns,%20nm>