

The Academic Center for Entrepreneurship

At Bristol Community College

Business Resources

The following is a list of resources and their links available to you as you research your business needs.

Business Resources

AIM (Associated Industries of Massachusetts) – provides HR and management assistance <u>www.aimnet.org</u>

Attleboro Chamber of Commerce www.unitedregionalchamber.org

Entrepreneur Magazine www.entrepreneur.com

Fall River Area Chamber of Commerce www.fallriverchamber.com

Fall river Office of Economic Development www froed.org

MA Small Business Development Center www.msbdc.org/semass

New Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce www.newbedfordchamber.com

Small Business Association www.sba.gov

Smaller Business Association of New England www.sbane.org

Taunton Area Chamber of Commerce www.tauntonareachamber.org

Corporations and Regulations

Name registries www.sec.state.ma.us/cor/corpweb/cornameres/nameresinf.htm

"Green" Certifications and Sustainability

Energy Star – for small businesses <u>www.energystar.gov/buildings/facility-owners-and-managers/small-biz</u> EPA Water Sense <u>www3.epa.gov/watersense</u>

Forest Stewardship Council – for wood products www.fscus.org

Green Plus www.gogreenplus.org

Green Seal –for a wide variety of products www.greenseal.org

Scientific Certification Systems – for agriculture, manufacturing and electricity <u>www.scscertified.com</u>

USDA www.nrcs.usda.gov

USDA Organic Certification www.ams.usda.gov/services/organic-certification/certifying-agents

U.S. Green Building Council – for buildings www.usgbc.org

Employees, Contractors, Interns

Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School – for high school student interns www.bptech.org

Cooperative Education at BCC – for student interns www.bristolcc.edu

Diman Regional Technical High School – for high school student interns www.dimanregional.org

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational-Technical High School – for high school student interns

www.gnbvt.org

People Inc – non-profit, contract employees with disabilities www.peoplesinc-fr.org

Forums, Training, Seminars

Greater Boston Manufacturing Partnership – Lean and Six Sigma training www.gbmp.org

Greater New Bedford Workforce Investment Board www.gnbwib.org

Interise - "streetwise" MBA program for small business owners www.interise.org

New Direction Southcoast – workforce development and training <u>www.newdirectionssouthcoast.org</u>

Southeastern New England Entrepreneur Forum at UMass www.sneef.org



Work Force Training Fund – grants to train employees www.workforcetrainingfund.org

Funding

CDC New England – small business 504 loans www.cdcnewengland.com
Kickstart, non-profit benefit corporation www.kickstarter.com
Mass Development www.massdevelopment.com
South Eastern Economic Development (SEED Corporation) www.seedcorp.com

Mentoring

Score RI www.riscore.org
E for All www.EforAll.org
Center for Women & Enterprise www.cweonline.org
Veterans Business Outreach (division of CWE) www.cweonline.org

Media Marketing

My Biz Media www.mybizmedia.com

Work Space

Groundwork! <u>www.newbedfordcoworking.com</u>
Workbar in Staples – not in all locations www.workbar.com

Other

National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship www.NFTE.com