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Getting Help While Doing Business in Los Angeles County

Managing the entrepreneurial waters of running a small business can be daunting at times, especially when competing with larger or more established companies for government contracts. The good news is that getting your business fit to compete is only a telephone call or computer key stroke away.

According to an article in the Small Business Administration (SBA) magazine; "*Small Business Resource*", help for small business owners to grow and expand their business is available everyday from the SBA.

The Los Angeles District Office is responsible for the delivery of SBA's many programs and services. The District Office is located at 330 N. Brand Boulevard, Suite 1200, Glendale, CA 91203. Office Hours are from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

For program and service information, please contact Natalie Orta in the Marketing Division at (818) 552- 33291 or e-mail: Natalie.orta@sba.gov. For Information on financing, please contact Euhoe Park at (818) 552-3301 or e-mail euhoe.park@sba.gov.

The District Office provides the following services:

- **Financial Assistance** for new or existing businesses through guaranteed loans made by area bank and non-bank lenders.

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SBA Assistance Centers

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- **Free counseling**, advice and information on starting, better operating or expanding a small business through the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) and women's Business Centers (WBC). They also conduct training events throughout the district – some require a nominal registration fee.
- **Assistance to socially and economically disadvantaged business owners** through the 8(a) Business development Program.
- **Assistance to Women Business owners** by contacting Marchelle Bailey at (818) 552-3334 or e-mail: marchelle.bailey@sba.gov.
- **Special Loan Programs** for Businesses in international trade.
- **A Veterans Affairs Officer** is available to assist veterans. Please contact Ken Crawford at (818) 552-3224 or e-mail kenneth.crowford@sba.gov.

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