

# SMALL BUSINESS, BIG PLANS

## SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER



### MISSION STATEMENT:

The Economic Development Collaborative-Ventura County's vision is to maintain a healthy Ventura County economy through collaboration, education and training as a means to create and sustain quality jobs and improve wealth, thus enhancing the standard of living and quality of life throughout Ventura County.

### SBDC: HELP FOR YOUR BUSINESS

EDC-VC hosts the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) for Ventura and Santa Barbara counties. The area's lead center is the Los Angeles Regional Small Business Development Center Network, which is part of a nationwide SBDC program that partners with federal and private entities to provide small business owners access to management consulting, entrepreneurial education, and other valuable business resources.

The national SBDC program assists more than 1.3 million businesses through over 950 Service Centers every year. The Los Angeles SBDC Network, which includes the Lead Center and seven local Service Centers, is among the top 10 funded networks in the country.

The EDC-VC SBDC center provides free consultations and low-cost training sessions in these key business areas to existing small businesses and to entrepreneurs looking to start a business:

- Business plans
- Capital sourcing
- Government contracting and procurement
- Financing/Loan packaging assistance
- Human resources
- Legal issues
- Start-up assistance
- Marketing/Sales
- International trade
- Managing a business
- Technology
- e-commerce
- Social media

### EDC-VC: EXPANDED SERVICES

EDC-VC also supports your business with these programs:

- Loans
- Manufacturing Outreach Program
- Business 911, turnaround assistance for businesses in crisis
- G.E.T. Trade, the how-to on international trade

### MORE ABOUT WHAT WE DO

A regional public/private economic development organization, EDC-VC works to maintain the county's economic health and vitality, delivering programs that promote jobs and economic growth, and raise overall productivity and incomes. For more information, visit [www.edc-vc.com](http://www.edc-vc.com).

### WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

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