



U.S. Small Business  
Administration

# Powering Small Business

## Resources to Support Economic Development

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A wide-angle photograph of a long, straight asphalt road stretching towards a horizon. The road is flanked by a dark, pebbly beach on the left and a grassy hill on the right. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds in shades of blue, orange, and yellow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is contemplative and inspiring.

**What's your  
Why?**

**The SBA works to ignite change and spark action  
so small businesses can confidently**



**START • GROW • EXPAND • RECOVER**

# Resource No. 1 – The SBA Resource Partner Network

Access the right tools at the right time—wherever you are.



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funded by the SBA



1,400+ partner  
offices nationwide



Find local resource  
partners near you at  
**[SBA.gov/local-assistance](https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance)**







## **Pure Bliss Desserts**

Owners Nick and Andi Vann  
Whatcom County, Washington

## Resource No. 2 – Business Loans to Grow or Expand



The SBA works with approved lenders to offer **SBA-backed loans** with:

- Competitive terms
- Lower down payments
- Flexible overhead requirements
- Counseling and education







## **Fin Fun**

Owners Steve and Eric Browning  
Bonneville County, Idaho

## Lender Match

**1.**

**Describe  
Your Needs**



**2.**

**Interested Lenders  
Reply Within 2 Days**



**3.**

**Talk to  
Lenders**



**4.**

**Apply for a  
Loan**



Find an SBA-approved lender that's right for you by visiting

**[SBA.gov/lendermatch](https://SBA.gov/lendermatch)**



## Resource No. 3 – Bonding to Bid on a Contract



The **SBA Surety Bond Program** guarantees surety bonds from select providers so more small businesses can qualify for and win work.

## Resource No. 4 – Funding for Research & Development



Open the door to early stage capital through **Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)** and **Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR)**.







# High Impact Technology

Owners Russell Monk and Tom Ohnstad  
Washington County, Oregon



## Resource No. 5 – Opportunities in Government Contracting



The world's largest customer, buying all kinds of products & services



Required by law to provide contract opportunities to small businesses



Evaluate your readiness & learn more by visiting  
**[SBA.gov/contracting](https://www.sba.gov/contracting)**



## Resource No. 6 – Expansion Through Exporting



Nearly 96 percent of consumers live outside the U.S.



Two-thirds of the world's purchasing power is in foreign countries



Evaluate your readiness & learn more by visiting **[SBA.gov/exporting](https://www.sba.gov/exporting)**





## Elevating Rural: Creating a Stronger Economic Environment for Rural America





**What's our collective**  
**Why?**





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