

Entrepreneurship Resources for People with Disabilities

All requests for reasonable accommodations can be made *locally through the district* office or directly through the <u>Office of Diversity Inclusion and Civil Rights</u>:

409 3rd Street, S.W. Suite 6400, Washington, DC 20416 Phone: 202-205-6750 | TTY/TTD: 1/800-877-8339 (https://www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/odicr)

This page offers entrepreneurship resources that help and support people with disabilities.

Entrepreneur Resources for People with Disabilities

(https://www.disability.gov/resource/disability-govs-guide-self-employment-starting-small-business/)

Details important considerations for potential entrepreneurs with disabilities.

Important Considerations for Entrepreneurs with Disabilities

(https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/SelfEmploymentEntrepreneurship.htm)
Outlines important considerations for potential entrepreneurs with disabilities.

Small Business and Self-Employment Service

(https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/SelfEmploymentEntrepreneurship.htm)

Provides access to information such as the pros and cons of starting a business as a disabled person, counseling, and referrals regarding self-employment and small business ownership opportunities for people with disabilities.

Work Support

(http://www.worksupport.com/)

Contains self-employment information and resources for individuals with disabilities.

• Ticket to Work Program

(https://www.ssa.gov/work/)

Connects Social Security Disability Insurance and supplemental security income beneficiaries with employment networks for training and other support services needed to achieve your employment goals, including self-employment.

MA Home-Based and Self-Employment Guide

(http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/consumer/disability-services/advocacy/consumer-involve/home-based-and-self-employment-guide.html)

A guide created by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission Vocational Rehabilitation Services for MRC Consumers.

Accessible IRS Tax Products

(https://www.irs.gov/uac/accessible-irs-tax-products)

Provides popular tax forms from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and publications in accessible formats, including Braille and talking formats.

Facts About Disability-Related Tax Provisions

(https://www.eeoc.gov/facts/fs-disab.html)

Contains facts on the IRS' disability-related provisions that are of particular interest to businesses as well as people with disabilities.

• Tax Incentives Packet on the Americans with Disabilities Act

(https://www.ada.gov/archive/taxpack.htm)

Explains how to take advantage of the tax credit and deduction available for complying with the ADA.

Business Leadership Network

(http://www.usbln.org/)

Details the only national disability organization led by business for business, and how it promotes best practices in hiring, retaining and marketing to people with disabilities.

Chamber of Commerce for Individuals with Disabilities

(http://disabilitychamber.org/)

Provides information about the national consumer volunteer organization that uses business principles to improve the economic status of individuals with disabilities.

• Disabled Businesspersons Association

(http://disabledbusiness.org/)

Explores the association that assists enterprising individuals with disabilities to succeed in the business world.

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

(http://askjan.org/entre/index.htm)

Provides access to technical assistance, consulting and mentoring services for disabled entrepreneurs.

Disability Entrepreneurs: What Can You Do Campaign

(https://www.whatcanyoudocampaign.org/blog/index.php/what-can-you-do/) Explores information and resources for disabled entrepreneurs.

SBA Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet: SBA Video Phone Service Rollout for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Entrepreneurs

(https://www.sba.gov/content/sba-video-phone-service-rollout-deaf-and-hard-hearing-entrepreneurs)

• SBA American Sign Language (ASL) Services

(https://www.sba.gov/about-sba/what-we-do/american-sign-language-asl-services)
The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has launched the American Sign Language (ASL)
Video Customer Support Line which allows deaf and hard of hearing customers to communicate
directly with the SBA over videophone. Now deaf and hard of hearing customers have a better
option to communicate with the SBA to get service or support for their businesses.

SBA - People with Disabilities

(https://www.sba.gov/starting-business/how-start-business/business-types/people-disabilities) This page offers resources to help disabled people start, grow and manage a small business.

• CAPTEC - Computer/Electronic Accommodations Program

(http://www.cap.mil/Customers/CAPTEC.aspx)

CAP's Technology & Evaluation Center (CAPTEC) is a demonstration and assessment facility located in the Pentagon. People seeking solutions to accessibility challenges can visit CAPTEC to see assistive technology (AT) and compare different solutions.

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