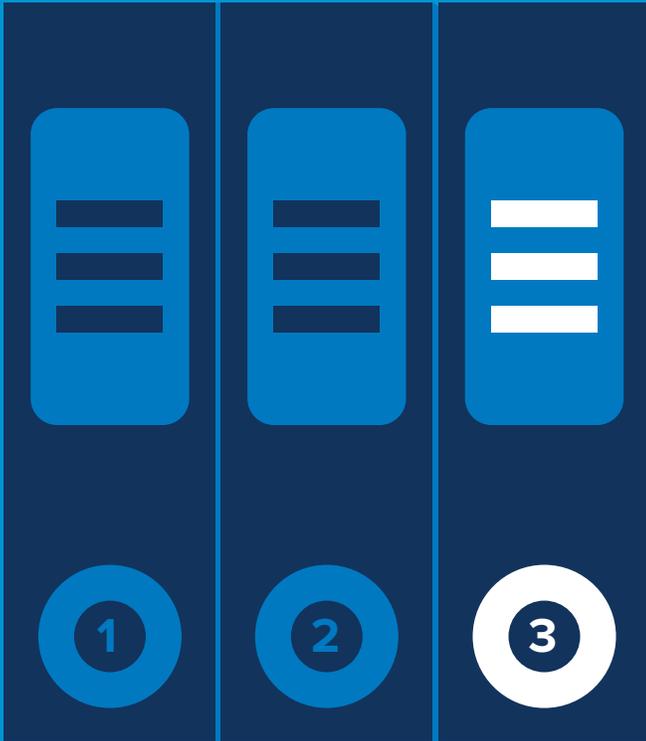


BRAC BUSINESS GUIDE

Business Resources



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brac.org/bbg

Welcome

There are numerous resources available in the Baton Rouge Area for those looking to start new companies or grow existing ones. The following pages contain contact information for nearly one hundred entities available to assist current or prospective business owners.

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Forms

Below is a list of quick links to forms and websites that can be of assistance with business ventures.

Getting Started

- [East Baton Rouge Occupational License Form \(PDF\)](#)
- [Louisiana Economic Development Advance Notification Website](#)
- [Corporation or LLC Name Reservation Form \(PDF\)](#)
- [Unemployment Account Application Website](#)
- [Trade Name, Trade Mark, Service Mark Reservation \(PDF\)](#)
- [Partnership Registration \(PDF\)](#)
- [Limited Liability Corporation Partnership Registration \(PDF\)](#)
- [Articles of Incorporation, Non-Profit \(PDF\)](#)
- [Articles of Organization, LLC \(PDF\)](#)
- [Articles of Incorporation, Business \(PDF\)](#)

SCORE Business Plan

- [Twelve Month Profit and Loss Projection \(Excel\)](#)
- [Twelve Month Sales Forecast \(PDF\)](#)
- [Twelve Month Sales Forecast \(Excel\)](#)
- [Twelve Month Cash Flow \(PDF\)](#)
- [Twelve Month Cash Flow \(Excel\)](#)
- [Break-Even Analysis \(PDF\)](#)
- [Break-Even Analysis \(Excel\)](#)
- [Business Plan for Startups \(PDF\)](#)
- [Projected Balance Sheet \(PDF\)](#)
- [Projected Balance Sheet \(Excel\)](#)
- [Four Year Profit Projection \(Excel\)](#)
- [Opening Day Balance Sheet \(PDF\)](#)
- [Opening Day Balance Sheet \(Excel\)](#)
- [Personal Financial Statement \(PDF\)](#)



- [Personal Financial Statement \(Excel\)](#)
- [Startup Expenses \(PDF\)](#)
- [Startup Expenses \(Excel\)](#)

Tax ID Forms

- [East Baton Rouge Tax Forms](#)
- [IRS SS4 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Louisiana Department of Revenue Application for Account \(PDF\)](#)
- [Louisiana Department of Revenue Application Instructions \(PDF\)](#)





Technical Assistance Providers

The Career Center

East Baton Rouge Parish Library
7711 Goodwood Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
225.231.733
www.careercenterbr.com

The Career Center serves the Baton Rouge community as a catalyst for the development of a career-resilient, self-reliant workforce. The center serves employees who are being terminated, those seeking new skills and responsibilities in the current workplace, and those just entering or re-entering the workforce. It is a free public service offering with trained help and extensive resources to identify your needs while planning a career path.

Dixie Business Center

1810 South Range Avenue
Denham Springs, LA 70726
225.665.0809
info@dixiebusinesscenter.org
www.dixiebusinesscenter.org

The Dixie Business Center is a nonprofit business incubator program dedicated to helping new and emerging businesses develop, grow, and succeed.

Louisiana Business & Technology Center

8000 Innovation Park Drive, Building 3000
Baton Rouge, LA 70820
225.578.3975
lbtc@lsu.edu
<http://lbtc.lsu.edu>

The Louisiana Business & Technology Center (LBTC) is housed at LSU's Innovation Park – a research complex providing space and business services for local businesses and entrepreneurs. The



LBTC provides faculty and students with a broad avenue for intellectual enrichment and technological discovery by partnering scientific investigation and business enterprise under one umbrella. By helping researchers bring new technology to market, the LSU Innovation Park creates high-quality jobs, benefits the community, and enhances the image of Louisiana. The LBTC also provides business mentoring and coaching services to the businesses in its Innovation Park incubator.

Pennington Biotech Initiative

600 Perkins Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70808
225.578.7555
jboud55@lsu.edu
www.pbrc.edu

A joint venture between the Pennington Biomedical Research Center and the LBTC that is focused on businesses and technologies in the fields of medical devices, software, online apps, and biotech products/processes.

Louisiana Business Incubation Association

7117 Florida Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
225.218.1100
info@lbia.org
www.lbia.org

The Louisiana Business Incubation Association (LBIA) is a state association of business incubators and their supporters. LBIA was established to promote alliances among incubators, governmental agencies, and professional economic developers in order to promote the growth and diversification of our state's businesses and economy.

Louisiana Technology Transfer Office

LSU Innovation Park
Louisiana Business & Technology Center
8000 Innovation Park Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70820
225.578.7555
ltto@lsu.edu
<http://www.ltto.org>

The Louisiana Technology Transfer Office (LTTO) is located at LSU's Innovation Park, and operated by the LBTC. The mission of the LTTO is to foster relationships between Louisiana

industry and federal laboratories to promote research commercialization. This is accomplished through the maintenance of an office at NASA's John C. Stennis Space Center and the Innovation Park, along with other statewide activities. One of the LTTO's primary activities includes promoting the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, a competitive grant program for small business concerns to engage in research and development that has the potential for commercialization. This federal program funds approximately \$2.3 billion annually for early-stage research and development efforts of a high-risk nature that may have excellent commercial potential.

Louisiana Small Business Development Center

616 Harding Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70807
225.774.9213

lsbdc.subr@lsbdc.org

<https://www.lsbdc.org/subr>

The mission of the Louisiana Small Business Development Centers (LSBDC) is to enhance the economic wellbeing of the citizens of Louisiana by providing comprehensive, high-quality assistance to existing and potential small businesses. Part of a statewide network supported by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), Louisiana Economic Development (LED), and the host universities, the LSBDC serves Louisiana businesses through confidential counseling, group training, and business information resources. Locally, the LSBDC at Southern University provides low- or no-cost guidance and training for small business owners and potential owners in the Baton Rouge Area.

LSU's Stephenson Entrepreneurship Institute

LSU E.J. Ourso College of Business
Stephenson Entrepreneurship Institute
Business Education Complex, Room 3000
Baton Rouge, LA 70803
225.578.0313

business.lsu.edu/Stephenson-Entrepreneurship-Institute/Pages/SEI.aspx

The mission of the Stephenson Entrepreneurship Institute (SEI) is to promote and foster entrepreneurial practices through education, outreach, and research. The SEI offers a variety of educational programs for entrepreneurs and innovators, including the Certified Economic Developer course.

Manufacturing Extension Partnership

Whittington House
2250 Johnston Street
Lafayette, LA 70504

Mailing address:

P. O. Box 44172
Lafayette, LA 70504
337.482.6767

www.mepol.org

The Manufacturing Extension Partnership of Louisiana (MEPoL) professional manufacturing staff has years of experience to assess internal processes and the information flow of a business. MEPoL serves as a one-stop shop providing solutions for manufacturers. The role of the MEPoL staff is to have a positive impact on an organization by serving as mentor, facilitator, matchmaker, and diagnostician. This process includes educating, encouraging, and empowering an organization to build an environment of excellence.

SCORE Baton Rouge

7117 Florida Boulevard
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806
225.381.7130

scorebr@scorebr.org

www.scorebr.org

SCORE provides professional guidance and information, accessible to all, to maximize the success of America's existing and emerging small businesses. SCORE Baton Rouge is a nonprofit association providing free and confidential business counseling tailored to meet the needs of small business and their personal objectives. SCORE Baton Rouge also offers periodic seminars and workshops (for a modest fee to cover expenses) for both start-up entrepreneurs and small business owners.

The Good Work Network

2028 Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70113
504.309.2073

www.goodworknetwork.org

This New Orleans-based nonprofit has recently expanded its service area to Baton Rouge, bringing business development services to minority- and women-owned businesses in the Capital Region. These services include administrative support – bookkeeping, accounting, etc. – capital access assistance, credit counseling, and more.





Financial Resources

Louisiana Economic Development Corporation

1503 North Third Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5239

800.450.8115 | 225.342.3000

www.opportunitylouisiana.com

Louisiana Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) administers the following programs to assist Louisiana small businesses: Economic Development Award Program, Small Business Loan Program, Micro Loan Program, Contract Loan Program, Venture Capital Match Program, Minority Venture Capital Match Program, Venture Capital Co-Investment Program, Louisiana Seed Capital Investment Program, BIDCO Investment Program, Specialty BIDCO Investment Program, and the Workforce Development Program.

Louisiana Small Business Innovation Research Program

LSU Innovation Park

Louisiana Business and Technology Center

8000 Innovation Park Drive

Baton Rouge, LA 70820

225.578.7555

ltto@lsu.edu

<http://www.ltto.org>

The Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program is a competitive grant program for small business concerns to engage in research and development that has the potential for commercialization. Phase I awards are up to \$100,000, and Phase II awards are up to \$1,000,000. This federal program funds approximately \$2.3 billion annually for early-stage research and development efforts of a high-risk nature that may have excellent commercial potential.

From the SBIR website, information on research sites, past awards, and open solicitations can be found. This provides a marketing tool for small firms, and a source of potential investment opportunities for investors.



SBA Export Loan Programs

Louisiana Division Office
365 Canal Street, Suite 2820
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.589.6685

www.sba.gov/oit

The SBA offers several export loan programs – including the SBA Export Express, Export Working Capital Loan, and others – through its Office of International Trade (OIT). The OIT works to enhance the ability of small businesses to compete in the global marketplace; facilitate access to capital to support international trade, ensure that the interests of small business are considered and reflected in trade negotiations, and support and contribute to the U.S. government’s international agenda.

SBA Financial Division

Louisiana Division Office
365 Canal Street, Suite 2820
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.589.6685

<http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants>

The SBA provides a number of financial assistance programs for small businesses, including: 7(a), 504 and disaster assistance loans; government grants; and assistance in seeking venture capital and other funding options.

SBA PRO-Net

Louisiana Division Office
365 Canal Street, Suite 2820
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.589.6685

<http://pro-net.sba.gov>

The U.S. Small Business Administration, the Department of Defense (DOD), the Office of Management and Budget, and the General Services Administration have taken steps to simplify the federal contracting process by creating an integrated database of small businesses that want to do business with the government. The integration of PRO-Net and DOD’s Central Contractor Registration (CCR) databases has created one portal for entering and searching small business sources. This integration assists small businesses with marketing their goods and services to the federal government.



SBA SUB-Net

Louisiana Division Office
365 Canal Street, Suite 2820
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.589.6685

web.sba.gov/subnet

SUB-Net is an electronic gateway of information on subcontracting opportunities for contractors and subcontractors to post notices and thereby increase competition for subcontracts on federally funded projects.





Facilities Resources

Baton Rouge Area Chamber

564 Laurel Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70801

225.381.7125

info@brac.org

<http://www.brac.org/ecodev/sites.asp>

The Baton Rouge Area Chamber maintains a suite of online real estate tools that can assist developers in finding office and industrial properties, as well as available land throughout the nine-parish Capital Region. This includes a comprehensive list of regional sites certified through the LED Certified Sites program.

Louisiana Economic Development

1503 North Third Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70802-5239

800.450.8115

www.louisianasiteselection.com/led

Louisiana Economic Development (LED) maintains a database of state-wide office and industrial properties, as well as available real estate throughout Louisiana. This includes a comprehensive list of sites certified through the LED Certified Sites program.

Louisiana Business & Technology Center

8000 Innovation Park Drive, Building 3000

Baton Rouge, LA 70820

225.578.3975

lbtc@lsu.edu

<http://lbtc.lsu.edu>

The Louisiana Business & Technology Center (LBTC) provides business coaching and mentoring services to the organizations within its Innovation Park business incubator.



Louisiana Emerging Technology Center

Louisiana State University
Building 340, East Parker Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70803

Mailing address:

101 Louisiana Emerging Technology Center
110 LSU Union Square
Baton Rouge, LA 70803
225.615.8901

www.laetc.com

The Louisiana Emerging Technology Center, designed specifically as an incubator for companies with wet-lab needs, serves small and start-up businesses developing and commercializing university technologies. Tenants focus on the biotechnology, life sciences, agricultural, and environmental industries.

Louisiana Public Facilities Authority

2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 650
Baton Rouge, LA 70808
225.923.0020

info@lpfa.com

www.lpfa.com

The Louisiana Public Facilities Authority (LPFA) is a financing authority created in 1974 as a public trust and public corporation by the Public Facilities Corporation, a Louisiana corporation, pursuant to an indenture of trust. The State of Louisiana is the beneficiary of that trust. The LPFA has the ability to issue both taxable and tax-exempt bonds to finance everything from educational facilities to hospitals, student loans, industrial and economic development projects, and essential programs for state and local governmental units.

Louisiana Technology Park

7117 Florida Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
225.218.1100

info@latechpark.com

www.latechpark.com

Louisiana Technology Park is a public-private alliance formed to create the most active and innovative atmosphere for e-business, high-technology, and biotechnology between Houston

and Atlanta. The park offers business incubator space, a Tech Park U educational program, and a Level Up Lab dedicated specifically to providing space and services to regional game companies.

Port of Greater Baton Rouge

2425 Ernest Wilson Drive

P.O. Box 380

Port Allen, LA 70767

225.342.1660

www.portgbr.com

The Port of Greater Baton Rouge ranks among the top ten ports in the nation in total tonnage, and is strategically located on the Mississippi River. Handling a diverse range of cargo and users, the port is able to accommodate most special requests.





Regional Chambers

Ascension Chamber of Commerce

1006 West Highway 30

Gonzales, LA 70707

225.647.7487

info@ascensionchamber.com

www.ascensionchamber.com

For over fifty years, the Ascension Chamber of Commerce has been welcoming new citizens and new businesses to Ascension Parish. Ascension Parish is proud to be the fastest-growing parish in the state and is eager to share information with those interested in calling Ascension Parish home!

Ascension Economic Development Corporation

6967 Highway 22

Sorrento, LA 70778

225.675.1750

info@ascensionedc.com

www.ascensionedc.com

The Ascension Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) is a non-profit corporation responsible for economic development in Ascension Parish. The AEDC implements local economic development programs, and maintains online resources for how to start, relocate, or expand a business in Ascension Parish.

Baker Chamber of Commerce

3439 Groom Road

Baker, LA 70714

225.775.3547

bakercoc@bellsouth.net

<http://cityofbakerchamber.com>

The Baker Chamber of Commerce was organized in 1973 as the Greater Baker Association of Commerce, and has grown to over one hundred local businesses and investors.



Baton Rouge Area Chamber

564 Laurel Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70801
225.381.7125
info@brac.org
www.brac.org

The Baton Rouge Area Chamber (BRAC) is a non-profit, investor-driven organization that leads economic development in the nine-parish Baton Rouge Area. Today, BRAC investors include more than 1,300 businesses, civic organizations, education institutions, and individuals. In this capacity, BRAC serves as the voice of the business community.

Livingston Parish Chamber

133 North Hummel Street
Denham Springs, LA 70726
225.665.8155
staff@livingstonparishchamber.org
www.livingstonparishchamber.org

The Livingston Parish Chamber supports and facilitates the growth and expansion of Livingston Parish by providing an environment that encourages both residential and business communities working together to build a healthy economy, representing over five hundred local member businesses.

Donaldsonville Chamber of Commerce

714 Railroad Avenue
Donaldsonville, LA 70346
225.473.4814
www.donaldsonvillechamber.org

The Donaldsonville Chamber of Commerce aims to provide leadership for growth and support the commerce, trade, and community goodwill in Ascension Parish and its surrounding areas.

East Feliciana Parish Economic Development District

225.634.7155
www.efpedd.com

The East Feliciana Parish Economic Development District provides information concerning local economic development news and opportunities for East Feliciana Parish.



Iberville Chamber of Commerce

23675 Church Street
Plaquemine, LA 70765
225.687.3560

www.ibervillechamber.com

The Iberville Chamber of Commerce supports, attracts, and develops business in the parish through cooperative efforts focusing on economic, education, workforce, leadership, and tourism development.

Livingston Economic Development Council

20355 Government Boulevard, Suite E
Livingston, LA 70754
225.686.3982

info@ledc.net

www.ledc.net

The Livingston Economic Development Council is an economic development agency serving all of Livingston Parish. Its goal is to foster entrepreneurship, recruit new business and industry, and assist existing business and industry in growth and expansion to improve the quality of life in Livingston Parish.

Greater Pointe Coupee Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 555
New Roads, LA 70760
225.638.3500

www.pcchamber.org

The Greater Pointe Coupee Chamber of Commerce represents the common interest of business and the community, while responsibly promoting economic development and improving the quality of life vital for the future growth and prosperity of Pointe Coupee Parish.

West Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce

7520 Highway 1 South
Addis, LA 70710
225.383.3140

www.wbrchamber.org

The West Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce serves as the official marketing representative for West Baton Rouge Parish. The chamber is actively involved in governmental affairs, education, communications, economic development, and community/organizational development.



St. Francisville Chamber of Commerce

11936 Ferdinand Street
St. Francisville, LA 70775
225.635.6717

shj@stfrancisville.org

www.stfrancisville.org

The St. Francisville Chamber of Commerce is committed to improving and enriching life and business in the community of St. Francisville and all of West Feliciana Parish.

Zachary Chamber of Commerce

4633 Main Street
Zachary, LA 70791
225.654.6777

www.zacharychamber.com

Since 1968, the Zachary Chamber of Commerce has been dedicated to improving the quality of life in Zachary through the economic, civic, and cultural development of the area. It does so by promoting economic programs designed to expand and increase income potential for local businesses; by promoting civic, educational, and cultural programs aimed at strengthening the core values of the community; and by identifying and correcting deficiencies that hamper the promotion of business expansion and positive community growth.





Industry Associations

Associated Builders and Contractors Pelican Chapter

19251 Highland Road
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809
225.752.1415
www.abcpelican.org

The Associated Builders and Contractors Pelican Chapter is dedicated to the idea that, working together through an organization, they can improve the ethical practices and skills of the industry and work for legislation that will be beneficial to the industry and the State of Louisiana.

Baton Rouge Bar Association

544 Main Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225.344.4803
www.brba.org

The Baton Rouge Bar Association has been serving the legal profession and the public for more than eighty-four years, with a membership of over 2,500 lawyers. The Baton Rouge Bar Association works to advance the rule of law, promote the administration of justice, uphold the honor of the courts and the legal profession, foster cordial relationships among its members, encourage and promote continuing legal education for its members, promote the welfare of the profession and the well-being of its members, and assist in making legal services available to those who are unable to afford legal assistance and representation.

Entergy Economic Development

446 North Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
800.542.2668
laed@entergy.com
www.entergy-louisiana.com/economic_development

Entergy Economic Development promotes coordinated efforts by business, government, and civic leaders to work together to develop Louisiana's economy.



Louisiana Association of Business and Industry

3113 Valley Creek Drive
P.O. Box 80258
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808
225.928.5388
www.labi.org

The Louisiana Association of Business and Industry (LABI) is the largest business lobbying group in Louisiana. LABI serves as a voice for business and industry, is Louisiana's Chamber of Commerce, and the state chapter of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Louisiana Chemical Association

One American Place, Suite 2040
Baton Rouge, LA 70825
225.344.2609
www.lca.org

The Louisiana Chemical Association was formed in 1959 to promote a positive climate for chemical manufacturing that ensures long-term economic growth.

Louisiana Association of Tax Administrators

www.laota.com

Established in 1966, the Louisiana Association of Tax Administrators goals are to assist state and local tax administrators in the exchange of information and encourage uniformity in laws, regulations, and administration; to disseminate information tending toward the more efficient operation of local tax offices; to encourage the practice of cooperation and the reciprocal exchange of information between all state and local tax administrators; and to increase the efficiency of each state and local tax administrator, by encouraging cooperation and the exchange of information.

Louisiana Bankers Association

5555 Bankers Avenue
Baton Rouge, LA 70808
225.387.3282
info@lba.org
www.lba.org

The mission of the Louisiana Bankers Association is to be a unified, member-driven association with the resources to provide the services and support to help ensure a financially sound banking industry in an evolving environment.

Louisiana Engineering Society

9643 Brookline Avenue, Suite 116

Baton Rouge, LA 70809

225.924.2021

les@les-state.org

www.les-state.org

The Louisiana Engineering Society is dedicated to the advancement of the engineering profession by pursuing an active leadership role through providing avenues for members to elevate their skills, competencies, and ethics; communicating that engineering work must be performed by a professional engineer or supervised by a professional engineer; providing services to the public and profession; advocating registration of all engineers; and recognizing engineering achievements.

Louisiana State Bar Association

601 St. Charles Avenue

New Orleans, LA 70130

800.421.5722

www.lsba.org

The mission of the Louisiana State Bar Association is to assist and serve its members in the practice of law, assure access to and aid in the administration of justice, assist the Supreme Court in the regulation of the practice of law, uphold the honor of the courts and the profession, promote the professional competence of attorneys, increase public understanding of and respect for the law, and encourage collegiality among its members.

Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors

2525 Quail Drive

Baton Rouge, LA 70808

225.765.2301

www.lslbc.state.la.us

The board regulates both commercial and residential contractors who bid or perform on construction projects whose value exceeds \$50,000 or more, and hazardous material contractors on projects valued at \$1.00 or more. A fifteen-member board, appointed by the governor, directs administrative policy for the agency's operations.



Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants

2400 Veterans Boulevard, Suite 500

Kenner, LA 70062

800.288.5272

www.lcpa.org

The mission of the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants (LCPA) is to serve the common needs of its members and to enhance the professional environment in which they work. The LCPA is committed to serving its members by supplying the necessary support to improve their competency and professionalism, advocating their causes in the government arena, and promoting their services among the public.





State Departments

Common state departments involved in starting or managing a business are listed below. For information on other state departments, please see www.la.gov.

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

602 North Fifth Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
866.896.5337
deqassistance@la.gov
www.deq.louisiana.gov

The Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ's) mission is to provide service to the people of Louisiana through comprehensive environmental protection in order to promote and protect health, safety, and welfare while considering sound policies regarding employment and economic development.

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Small Business/Small Community Assistance Program

602 North Fifth Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
866.896.5337
sbap@la.gov
www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/85/Default.aspx

The mission of the DEQ's Small Business/Small Community Assistance Program (SB/SCAP) is to provide environmental regulatory assistance and information to small businesses and small communities.

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

628 North Fourth Street
P.O. Box 629
Baton Rouge, LA 70821
225.342.9500
www.dhh.louisiana.gov



The mission of the Department of Health and Hospitals is to protect and promote health and to ensure access to medical, preventive, and rehabilitative services for all citizens of the State of Louisiana.

Louisiana Workforce Commission

1001 North 23rd Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225.342.3111
www.laworks.net

The mission of the Louisiana Workforce Commission is to help strengthen and stabilize the Louisiana economy by building a well-trained, quality workforce, by providing an efficient labor market exchange, and by helping to maintain a workplace that is supportive of worker safety and productivity.

Louisiana Department of Revenue

617 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225.219.7318
www.rev.state.la.us

The mission of the Louisiana Department of Revenue (LDR) is to administer applicable laws and collect revenues to fund state services. The LDR receives funding for three programs: tax collection, alcohol and tobacco control, and charitable gaming.

Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control, Louisiana Department of Revenue

8549 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 220
Baton Rouge, LA 70809
225.925.4041
www.atc.rev.state.la.us

Louisiana Department of Revenue's Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control (ATC) is an active organization dedicated to establishing a presence in the communities of the state by means of law enforcement, education, and regulatory efforts with the wholesalers, retailers, and users of alcohol and tobacco products.



Louisiana Economic Development

1051 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225.342.3000

www.opportunitylouisiana.com

Louisiana Economic Development (LED) is responsible for strengthening the state’s business environment and creating a more vibrant Louisiana economy. LED strives to help businesses find the resources they need to make relocation and expansion a successful, profitable endeavor.

Louisiana Secretary of State

8549 United Plaza Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70809
225.922.2880

www.sos.louisiana.gov

The Secretary of State (SOS) administers state corporation and trademark laws, preserves official state archives, and serves as the official registry of commissions. The SOS also maintains the historical dignity of state government landmarks including the Old State Capital and certain museums. The SOS maintains a “first stop shop” for business licensing in Louisiana, and administers certain functions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Louisiana’s United States Department of Agriculture

3727 Government Street
Alexandria, LA 71302
318.473.7920

www.rurdev.usda.gov/la

Louisiana’s United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA’s) business programs help create jobs and stimulate rural economies by providing financial backing for rural businesses. Loans, grants, and loan guarantees are available to any legally organized entity, including cooperatives, partnerships, profit or non-profit entities, Indian tribes or federally-recognized tribal groups, and municipalities. In addition, a wide range of technical assistance is provided to cooperatives and people interested in forming new cooperatives.



Office of Financial Institutions

8660 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 200
Baton Rouge, LA 70809
225.925.4660

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 94095
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
225.925.4660

ofila@ofi.louisiana.gov

www.ofi.state.la.us

The Office of Financial Institutions (OFI) is responsible for the supervision of various entities that provide financial services to the citizens of the State of Louisiana. The office is divided into three major divisions based on general types of institutions regulated - the Depository Institutions Division, the Non-Depository Services Division, and the Securities Division.

Office of State Purchasing

1201 North Third Street, Suite 7-210
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 94095
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
225.342.7000

<http://doa.louisiana.gov/osp/osp.htm>

The mission of the Office of State Purchasing is to develop and implement sound procurement practices in accordance with executive policy and legislative mandates, and to provide quality and timely services to the agency and vendor communities.





Educational Resources

Baton Rouge Community College

201 Community College Drive

Baton Rouge, LA 70806

866.217.9823

info@mybrcc.edu

www.mybrcc.edu

The mission of Baton Rouge Community College (BRCC) is to identify and meet the educational needs of its community through innovative, dynamic programs that are accessible to all. BRCC seeks to provide a practical, well-rounded education that provokes thought, ignites creativity, spurs innovation, and strengthens global community by improving the quality of life for citizens.

Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

www.lsu.edu

Louisiana State University (LSU) is the flagship institution of the State of Louisiana and is one of only twenty-one universities nationwide holding land-grant, sea-grant, and space-grant status. Since 1860, LSU has served the people of Louisiana, the region, the nation, and the world through extensive, multipurpose programs encompassing instruction, research, and public service. The university brings in more than \$144.7 million annually in outside research grants and contracts, a significant factor for the Louisiana economy.

LSU Office of Research and Economic Development

134 David Boyd Hall

Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA 70803

225.578.5833

research@lsu.edu

www.research.lsu.edu



The LSU Office of Research and Economic Development (ORED) is the organization under which the LBTC, Office of Intellectual Property, Commercialization, and Development (OIP), Louisiana Space Consortium (LSC), and seventeen other centers and institutes operate. LSU's ORED is responsible for the management and support of all LSU research, and partners with communities, institutions, and businesses throughout Louisiana to form research agreements and commercialization plans.

Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service

LSU Agricultural Center
101 J. Norman Efferson Hall
110 LSU Union Square
Baton Rouge, LA 70803
225.578.4161

www.lsuagcenter.com/en/administration/about_us/extension

The Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service is responsible for statewide, off-campus, informal teaching of agricultural and natural resource technology and management techniques as well as other programs focused on family and consumer sciences, youth development, overall improvement of the state's economy, and efficient use of community and personal resources.

Pennington Biomedical Research Center

6400 Perkins Road
Baton Rouge, LA 70808
225.763.2500

www.pbrc.edu

Opened in 1988, the Pennington Biomedical Research Center (PBRC) now houses forty-eight laboratories and nineteen core research facilities, working to discover the triggers of chronic diseases through innovative research that improves human health across the lifespan. As a member of the Louisiana State University system, PBRC also benefits from close ties with LSU's Baton Rouge campus, the LSU Medical Center, and the LSU Agricultural Center.

River Parishes Community College

925 West Edenborne Parkway
Gonzales, LA 70737
225.743.8500

www.rpcc.edu

River Parishes Community College (RPCC) is an open-admission institution that partners with the communities and businesses of the river parishes region of Louisiana to provide workforce

training, certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees. RPCC also partners with the communities it serves by providing programs for personal, professional, and academic growth.

Southern University

Southern University and A&M College

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

225.771.4500

www.subr.edu

Southern University and A&M College (SU) is a comprehensive institution offering four-year, graduate, professional, and doctorate degree programs, fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). The university today is part of the only historically black land grant university system in the United States.





Local Government Resources

Louisiana Municipal Association

700 North Tenth Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225.344.5001
www.lma.org

The Louisiana Municipal Association is a voluntary, non-profit, non-partisan, non-political membership organization created to promote progressive leadership, efficient public services, and effective governmental performance by assisting elected officials in Louisiana's cities, towns, and villages through a broad array of informational services and activities that helps build understanding of federal, state, and local issues impacting their communities, and by uniting them to identify and address common problems, and to resolve pressing issues.

Louisiana Tax Assessor's Association

3060 Valley Creek Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70898

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 14699
Baton Rouge, LA 70898
225.928.8886
www.louisianaassessors.org

The Louisiana Tax Assessors' Association is composed of sixty-four assessors, one from each parish. The office of assessor is an elected position as provided by the constitution of Louisiana. Each parish assessor is elected at the gubernatorial election for a four-year term of office.

Each assessor is mandated by Article VII, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana to determine the fair market value of all property subject to taxation within his respective parish or district except those public service properties which are valued by the Louisiana Tax Commission.



Police Jury Association of Louisiana

707 North Seventh Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70802

225.343.2835

www.lpgov.org

The Police Jury Association of Louisiana was created in 1924 to improve parish government in the State of Louisiana. Membership is open to each of the sixty-four parishes in the State of Louisiana, whether organized as a police jury, parish council, or parish commission.





Procurement Resources

Louisiana Procurement Technical Assistance Program

P.O. Box 44172

Lafayette, LA 70504

337.482.6422

la-ptac@louisiana.edu

www.la-ptac.org

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) was established to generate employment and improve the general economy of Louisiana by assisting business firms in obtaining and performing under the U.S. Department of Defense, other federal agencies, and state and local government contracts.





International Resources

New Orleans U.S. Export Assistance Center

500 Poydras Street, #1033
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
504.589.6546
www.idec.org

The U.S. Export Assistance Center provides a variety of programs and services to assist U.S. companies expand market opportunities abroad.

World Trade Center New Orleans

One Canal Place
365 Canal Street, Suite 1120
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.529.1601
info@wtcno.org
www.wtcno.org

World Trade Center (WTC) New Orleans is a non-profit organization of 1,900 corporate and individual members, which has supported international trade in Louisiana since 1943. The WTC provides customized consulting services to clients, training and matchmaking events, Louisiana-specific international trade data, and a legislative advocate for Louisiana's interests in international trade.

