



# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## OFFICE OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

# Resources for Women Entrepreneurs



### U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

The U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) funds the development and dissemination of new tools for economic development practitioners and policymakers to utilize to help make informed development decisions.

### MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) Business Centers for Enterprising Women of Color promotes women entrepreneurs as engines of economic growth in their communities. These Centers focus on helping minority women-owned businesses secure contracts and capital, create jobs, and grow competitive businesses.

### INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION

The Women's Global Trade Empowerment program is the International Trade Administration's premiere resource for women entrepreneurs who wish to boldly grow their businesses into new markets.

### U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

U.S. Census Bureau provides timely data on women-owned employer businesses in the United States to better inform the commercial interests of women entrepreneurs and business owners.

### U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

The Women's Entrepreneurship (WE) program is a community-focused, collaborative, and creative initiative to encourage and empower more women founders across America. The program offers resources to help women protect their IP, fund their ideas, and expand their network, and features video testimonials from successful women entrepreneurs.



The Department of Commerce has tools and resources to support women entrepreneurs. A key mission of the Department is to improve economic competitiveness to help enable our workers and companies to succeed in the global economy. Women entrepreneurs and business owners are vital to accomplishing economic success.

### Did you know?

In 2021, women-owned businesses had an estimated \$2.1 trillion in receipts, 10.5 million employees, and \$499.4 billion in annual payroll.

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau and National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, 2022 Annual Business Survey*

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