



U.S. Small Business Administration

## Do You Need Small Business Assistance? Start-Up or Existing – We Can Help!

The Rhode Island District Office provides SBA programs and services throughout the state. Working with SBA resource partners in Rhode Island, we can help you start, grow and achieve business success.

### Center for Women & Enterprise

CWE helps women start and grow their own business. Contact Mary Gervais, Program Manager at 401-277-0800, email [mgervais@cweonline.org](mailto:mgervais@cweonline.org)

### Rhode Island SCORE Chapter

SCORE provide the specific advice and resources you need through mentoring. To schedule an appointment call 401-226-0077 or visit their website [www.riscore.org](http://www.riscore.org).

### Small Business Development Center

(RISBDC) provides local small business owners with the services and expertise they need to succeed. Contact Diane Fournaris, Assistant State Director at 401 874-7232, email [diane\\_fournaris@uri.edu](mailto:diane_fournaris@uri.edu)

### Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC)

The VBOC is designed to provide entrepreneurial development services such as business training, counseling and mentoring, veterans owning or considering starting a small business. Contact Brian LaFauci, Project Director at 401-427-6536, email [blafauci@cweonline.org](mailto:blafauci@cweonline.org)

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## Please Join Us at the West Warwick Public Library!

### *Is Entrepreneurship For You?*

*October 19, 2016*

Starting your own business can be an exciting and rewarding experience. It can offer numerous advantages such as being your own boss, setting your own schedule and making a living doing something you enjoy. But, becoming a successful entrepreneur requires thorough planning, creativity and hard work. This workshop will help you decide if entrepreneurship is for you!

### *Basic Business Planning*

*October 26, 2016*

The importance of planning should never be overlooked. For a business to be successful and profitable, the owners and the managing directors must have a clear understanding of the firm's customers, strengths and competition. Taking time to create a business plan provides you with insight into your business.

### *How to Get Financing for Your Small Business*

*November 9, 2016*

Finding capital for your small business is not impossible. Join our panel of experts will to discuss financing options, what lenders are looking for, credit requirements, and the importance of a relationship with a financial institution

### *Understanding Your Business Financial Statements*

*November 16, 2016*

Learn how to read and understand financial statements. Understand how they apply to your business and what the various parts of the Balance Sheet, Income and Cash Flow Statements mean. Learn how to evaluate the financial health of your business through the analysis of these statements.

**All workshops are free and will be held at**

**West Warwick Public Library  
Nash Community Room  
1043 Main Street, West Warwick, RI  
5:00PM—7:00PM**

**To register for a workshop call 401-828-3750 x4 or email [ref@wwlibrary.org](mailto:ref@wwlibrary.org)**

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