

Planning for Business Success Resources



Assistance with Business Planning

- Delaware Library Inspiration Space Coordinators:
Check the online calendar for days and times of workshops and open lab sessions at the public libraries in Wilmington, Dover and Georgetown at: <http://lib.de.us/jobcenter/>
- SCORE Delaware:
Delaware Chapter of a national organization that provides free mentors and low-cost workshops. Submit an online request for a mentor at: <https://delaware.score.org/mentoring/request/0/9127>
- Women's Business Center at the First State Community Loan Fund:
Provides mentoring and workshops for both women and men. For more information, go to: <http://firststateloan.org/womens-business-center/>

Business Planning Tools

- Delaware Library Inspiration Space:
Business Plan Pro is available at the public libraries in Wilmington, Dover and Georgetown and further information on business planning resources is available online at: <http://guides.lib.de.us/c.php?q=127466&p=833844>
- SCORE online business planning tool:
<https://www.score.org/content/search/all/656%2C596/all/73/10648>
- U.S. Small Business Administration online business planning tool:
<https://www.sba.gov/writing-business-plan>

Online Resources for Small Business Startups

- Delaware Business First Steps <http://firststeps.delaware.gov/>
Contains links to online resources for a wide range of business topics presented in four categories: Harness Your Idea, Write Your Business Plan, Get Your License and Open Your Business. Included is information about business licensing and registration for the State of Delaware with additional links to County, City, and

Town web sites for information on local government business licensing and permitting requirements.

➤ Delaware Library LibGuide for the Entrepreneurship Community

<http://guides.lib.de.us/c.php?g=127466&p=833796>

- General Resources
- Research – sources of data for your business plan
- Business Plans – links to tools and books on business planning
- Financing Your Business – information on sources of funding including crowdfunding, loans, grants and venture capital
- Legal Resources – basics for business law and taxes
- Marketing – from market research to planning to executing
- Social Entrepreneurship – businesses intended to have a positive impact on society like “green” or sustainable products.

➤ Delaware Business and Professional Licenses

<https://onestop.delaware.gov/osbrlpublic/>

- New and Renewal Business Licenses
- License Fees
- Entity Reservation
- Application for Federal Employer Identification Number
- Division of Corporations
- Professional Licenses
- Forms & Publications