



## Guaranteed Income to Grow Ann Arbor

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### Local, County, and State Resources for Ann Arbor Entrepreneurs, Gig Workers, and Small Business Owners

This resource list contains a list of organizations found in Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, and the State of Michigan that may provide helpful services for those starting new businesses or growing their businesses. Opportunities for funding, continuing education, mentorship, and networking can be found through some of the organizations listed below.

Please keep in mind that some of the following resources have additional requirements or limitations (e.g. registration fee, in-person only, virtual only, etc.). Please review the website for each resource for more details.

**Name:** Ann Arbor SPARK

**Website:** <https://annarborusa.org/>

**Contact Information:**

[Contact Form](#)

**Description:** Partner with [Michigan Economic Development Corporation](#), [Michigan Works! Southeast](#), the University of Michigan, and city and municipal partners to attract, develop, strengthen, and invest in [driving industries](#) (primarily tech companies) to help our communities prosper. Services they provide include: Startup Services (Entrepreneurs Bootcamp), co-working space, coaching and mentorship, business expansion services, finding space services (commercial, SPARK incubator space), municipal services, and funding for early-stage tech startups.

**Name:** Ann Arbor Arts Center (A2AC)

**Website:** <https://www.annarborartcenter.org/galleries/a2ac-artist-opportunities/>

**Contact Information:**

[Contact Form:](#)

Phone: 734-994-8004

**Description:**

The A2AC Shop provides a platform for visual artists and designers to sell their work, both in the store and through their online shop. A2AC also provides educational classes for budding artists and scholarships in order to participate in classes as well as different events to meet and collaborate with other visual artists.

**Name:** Ann Arbor District Library

**Website:** <https://aadl.org>

**Contact Information:**

Address: 343 South Fifth Ave. Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Phone: (734) 327-4200

**Description:**

The Ann Arbor District Library provides a number of services that can aid entrepreneurs including, public computers, Zoom Meeting Rooms, room rentals, tool/event supply reservations, and print out requests. They also have resources for those who are blind and print disabled.

**Name:** Creative Washtenaw

**Website:** <https://creativewashtenaw.org/artists-creative-workers-businesses/>

**Contact Information:**

Phone: 734.213.2733

Email: [info@creativewashtenaw.org](mailto:info@creativewashtenaw.org)

Mailing Address: 1100 N Main St #A Ann Arbor, MI 48104

**Description:**

Resources for artists, creative workers and businesses in Washtenaw County. Contains a list of national arts funds for funding as well as the local Creative Washtenaw AID emergency fund for struggling artists and creative workers. Creative Washtenaw also offers many resources for members (it's free to join) including the Creative Job Listing, Creative Washtenaw AID emergency fund, a resource of national associations, and monthly happy hours to meet with other artists and creative workers.

**Name:** Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

**Website:** <https://www.michiganbusiness.org/services/small-business/>

**Contact Information:**

[Interest Form](#)

**Description:** Provides websites for funding for small businesses and early lending including, women, veterans, entrepreneurs of color, and social and economically disadvantaged groups. Also contains a [small business resource finder](#) that is regionally focused.

**Name:** Michigan Women Forward

**Website:** <https://miwf.org/>

**Contact Information:**

Address: Detroit Office 1155 Brewery Park Blvd. Suite 350 Detroit, MI 48207

Phone: 313.962.1920

Fax: 313.962.1926

**Description:** Aimed at women and girls in Michigan, this organization provides services and resources to help women entrepreneurs with digital marketing, credit restoration, and provides funding and microloans. Some programs specific to Grand Rapids and Detroit only while others aimed at women entrepreneurs in Michigan at large.

**Name:** Michigan SBDC (Small Business Development Center)-Greater Washtenaw Region

**Website:** <https://michigansbdc.org/>

**Contact Information:**

Address: Washtenaw Community College 4800 East Huron River Dr. Morris Lawrence Building,  
Room 162 Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Email: [SBDC@WCCNET.EDU](mailto:SBDC@WCCNET.EDU)

**Description:** No-Cost small business development services, resources & tools at any stage of your business development. Includes training and events, one-on-one small business consulting, small business blog cybersecurity business plan, Quickbooks webinar series, and many more resources. The [UpLift Michigan](#) is for diverse entrepreneurs (programming is regional). Funding for women-owned and specific resources Black business owners. Free resources including budget and financial forecasting, business plan outline, cybersecurity assessment.

**Name:** Michigan Works! Southeast

**Website:** <https://www.mwse.org/>

**Contact Information:**

Mailing Address: 1201 E Ellsworth Rd. Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Contact Form: <https://www.mwse.org/contact-us/>

**Description:**

Workforce development resources including apprenticeship information, talent recruitment, and soft skills training. They also offer corporate assistance programs for businesses hurt from the COVID-19 pandemic, resources to recruit talent, funding for on the job training, employee retention solutions, and layoff aversion help for businesses in distress.

**Name:** SCORE-Ann Arbor

**Website:** <https://www.score.org/annarborarea>

**Contact Information:**

Phone: (734) 929-1121

Email: [admin.0655@scorevolunteer.org](mailto:admin.0655@scorevolunteer.org)

**Description:**

SCORE Ann Arbor mentors are experienced entrepreneurs, corporate managers, and executives with diverse backgrounds and specialties. SCORE Ann Arbor gives you free access, virtually or in person, to the expertise you need to reach your business goals. All advice is completely confidential. Services they offer include mentorship, workshops, startup and funding resources, and partner education events.

**Name:** Washtenaw County Financial Empowerment Center

**Website:** [washtenaw.org/FEC](http://washtenaw.org/FEC)

**Contact:**

Email: [fec@washtenaw.org](mailto:fec@washtenaw.org)

**Description:** Washtenaw County's Financial Empowerment Center (FEC) offers professional, one-on-one financial counseling and coaching as a free public service to local residents. At FEC, professionally trained counselors help individuals and families with low and moderate incomes manage their finances, pay down debt, increase savings, establish and build credit, and access safe and affordable mainstream banking products. At the core of the FEC model is the integration of counseling into other social services, such as housing and foreclosure prevention, workforce development, prisoner reentry, benefits access, domestic violence services, and more.

**Name:** Rosie's Community Kitchen

**Website:** <https://sites.google.com/view/rosiescommunitykitchen/home>

**Contact Information**

Email: [Colleen@PICFoodSafety.com](mailto:Colleen@PICFoodSafety.com)

**Description:** Rent a commercial kitchen in Washtenaw County for your business' needs. This does include a cost to use, business registration, and having a general liability insurance policy.

**Name:** Washtenaw Community College Entrepreneurship Center

**Website:** <https://www.wccnet.edu/succeed/entrepreneurship-center/>

**Contact:**

Phone: 734-249-5880

Email: [entrepreneurship@wccnet.edu](mailto:entrepreneurship@wccnet.edu)

**Description:** The Entrepreneurship Center at Washtenaw Community College is a welcoming resource hub that supports individuals in developing their entrepreneurial capacity. Through thoughtful conversations, partnerships, and programs, those at the college and in the surrounding communities are inspired and driven to actively grow their ventures as professionals, social innovators, or business owners.