



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 (Updated September 2025)

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 of each resource for more details.

Name: Accounting Aid Society

Website: <https://accountingaidsociety.org>

Contact Information:

[Contact Form](#)

Phone: 313-556-1920

Fax: 313-556-1941

Address: 3031 West Grand Blvd, Suite 621, Detroit, Michigan, 48202

Description: The Accounting Aid Society offers free tax preparation and other financial services for those in Washtenaw County who meet income requirements. Through their [Annual Aid Academy](#), they support Michigan small business owners with early-stage or growing businesses that are already generating revenue. They aim to help small businesses pinpoint areas that need improvement and coach them to strengthen those areas, improving skills they need to manage their finances.

Name: Ann Arbor Arts Center (A2AC)

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

Contact Information:

[Contact Form:](#)

Phone: 734-994-8004

Address: 117 W. Liberty St., Ann Arbor, MI. 48104

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:

Phone: 734-327-4200

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

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/>

Contact Information:

Phone: 734-213-2733

Email: info@creativewashtenaw.org

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

Description:

Creative Washtenaw offers resources for artists, creative workers, and businesses in Washtenaw County, including 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 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: Ann Arbor SPARK

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

Contact Information:

[Contact Form](#)

Phone: 734-761-9317

Address: 330 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104

Description: Ann Arbor SPARK partners 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. SPARK offers a variety of free tools and support services to help local entrepreneurs and small business owners succeed through its [Small Business Hub](#). Services they provide include: Startup Services (Entrepreneurs Bootcamp), [co-working spaces](#), coaching and mentorship, business expansion services, finding space services (commercial, SPARK incubator space), municipal services, and funding for early-stage tech startups.

Name: Hackers and Hustlers

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/hackersandhustlers/>

Description: Hackers and Hustlers is a Facebook community for conversations about entrepreneurship and Michigan's developing ecosystem. Discuss projects, promote ideas, stay up to date on events, and talk about the news of the day and how it will affect our state's entrepreneurial fabric.

Name: Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

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

Contact Information:

[Interest Form](#)

Phone: 888-522-0103

Description: MEDC has several guides on operating a business, increasing sales, and finding connections. It offers the Michigan Economic Opportunity Fund, which provides funding through a loan program for women, veterans, and entrepreneurs of color, and contains a [small business resource finder](#) that is regionally focused.

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

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

Contact Information:

Phone: 734-477-8762

Email: sbdc@wccnet.edu

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

Description: The local SBDC offers no-cost small business development services, resources, and tools at any stage of your business development, including training and events, one-on-one small business

consulting, cybersecurity awareness, market research, webinar series, and many more resources. Funding for women-owned businesses and specific resources for Black business owners are available. Free resources include budget and financial forecasting, business plan outline, and cybersecurity assessment.

Name: Michigan Women Forward

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

Contact:

[Contact Form](#)

Phone: 313-962-1920

Fax: 313.962.1926

Address: Detroit Office 1155 Brewery Park Blvd. Suite 260, Detroit, MI 48207

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

Name: Michigan Works! Southeast

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

Contact Information:

[Contact Form](#)

Phone: 734-714-9814

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

Description:

Michigan Works! offers workforce development resources including apprenticeship information, talent recruitment, and soft skills training. Workshops offered include budgeting and basic money management, using LinkedIn effectively, and job search strategies.

Name: New Enterprise at Work (NEW)

Website: <https://www.new.org/>

Contact Information:

Phone: 734-998-0160

Address: 1100 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104

Description:

NEW provides assistance to entrepreneurs who want or need assistance with starting a non-profit organization. Services provided to nonprofits include consulting, diversity, equity and inclusion training, information technology, financial consulting, fiscal sponsorship, and shared spaces. Some resources will be at a cost while others are based on your organization's size and budget. Workshops include an array of opportunities to build leadership in nonprofits, ranging from conversations with nonprofit leaders, budget strategy, and collaboration amongst communities.

Name: SCORE Ann Arbor

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

Contact Information:

[Contact Form](#)

Phone: 734-929-1121

Address: 1100 N Main St, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104

Description:

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

Name: Washtenaw Community College Entrepreneurship Center

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

Contact:

Phone: 734-249-5880

Email: entrepreneurship@wccnet.edu

Address: 4800 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI, 48105

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.

Name: Washtenaw County Financial Empowerment Center

Website: washtenaw.org/FEC

Contact:

Phone: 734-544-6848

Address: 415 W Michigan Avenue, 2nd Floor, Ypsilanti, MI, 48194

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.

Name: Washtenaw Community College Richard W. Bailey Library & Academic Success Center

Website: <https://libguides.wccnet.edu/smallbiz>

Contact:

Phone: 734-973-3429

Address: 4800 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI, 48105

Description:

The library provides free resources to empower small business success. They provide specialized guides to businesses in art, child care, digital video, graphic design, health care, HVAC, music, photography, writing, and general business start up. Additional resources include e-books and trainings on market research, sales, and researching databases.