

# Weekly news & updates

## Bronx Business Tech Incubator

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**Our team wants wish you a Healthy, Safe, and  
Happy New Year 2022!**

The **Bronx Business Tech Incubator** (BBI) along with the **Small Business Development Center** (SBDC) at Lehman College work intensely to support businesses in the county of the Bronx especially during unpredictable situations such as the one we are going through with COVID-19.

The purpose of this newsletter is to share with you information about free events that will help your business as well as resources about funding and more! **Check them out!**

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### Small Business Development Center - Bronx

For over 30 years we have serviced all types of small businesses in New York and have achieved goals and impacted thousands of lives. Whether it is a business that is just starting or a business that is ready to expand, we are ready to help. [More Information on our website](#)

#### Upcoming Events

New York's SBDC provides business training to startups, entrepreneurs and small business owners across New York State.

**Check out here** what is happening in the Bronx!

The **New York Women in Business (NYWIB)** is offering a webinar: **Thinking of Writing a Book? Tue, Jan 11 from 3pm-6pm. [Register Here](#)**

The **New York Women in Business (NYWIB)** is proud to announce A SPECIAL PROGRAM - the **2022 Accompany Capital/ SCORE NYC Start Up Business Accelerator for Women Entrepreneurs. It is a 6-Week Startup Accelerator. Deadline for Applications: Monday, January 17, 2022. [More info](#)**

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#### Other Resources

**New!**

**Governor Hochul Announces Billion Dollar Rescue Plan for Small Businesses and Strengthen New York's Economic Recovery**



### Information About Funding

#### Federal and State Programs

The **New York State COVID-19 Pandemic Small Business Recovery Grant Program** provides grants to New York small businesses, micro-businesses and for-profit independent arts and cultural organizations. Grants must be used for Covid-19 related expenses incurred between March 1, 2020 and April 1, 2021. **Applications due by January 2022.**

The **New York Forward Loan Fund** offers low-interest loans to NY businesses with 50 or fewer employees

**For restaurants**, the state offers

- New Tax Credit Will Provide Relief To Small Businesses Taking On COVID-Related Capital Expenses
- Small Business Lending Initiative Will Provide Accessible Loans To Expanding Small Businesses
- Governor Will Propose Legislation Permanently Allowing the Sale of To-Go Drinks in Bars and Restaurants

[More information here](#)

### Mayor Adams Signs "Small Business Forward" Executive Order to Reform Small Business Violations

Reforms will reduce fine schedules and allow for warnings for first-time violations.

[See more](#)

We are so proud to introduce **Verizon Small Business Digital Ready** - a free online curriculum designed to give small businesses like yours the personalized tools to succeed in today's digital world. Learning modules, expert coaching, peer networking and more. [Register now](#) for our free online curriculum and move your business forward.

### Small Business Saturday

If you just started a business, you might be looking for ways to get your name out in your community. Why not do that on a national shopping day devoted to small businesses—aka Small Business Saturday (SBS)? [More information](#)

### PPP Loan Forgiveness

**Borrowers may be eligible for Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan forgiveness.** Links to forms, FAQs, instructions on documentation and other information are available at the [SBA's PPP Website](#)

Visit [SCORE's](#) online resources at Coronavirus Funding Support for NYC - [click here](#)

Small Business Resilience Training by [SCORE - Industry Resources](#)

**Restaurant Resiliency Program grants** for restaurants that choose to provide meals and food to people within distressed or under-represented communities.

There is also a **Restaurant Return-to-Work Tax Credit** to help bring restaurant staff back-to-work, and to increase hiring at NYS restaurants.

### General Funding

**SBA loans:** many lenders are re-energizing traditional loan programs, including microloans, 7A (typical business loans) and 504 loans (for property and equipment).

**Brooklyn Alliance Capital** is offering grants for purchase of PPE and zero-interest **Bring Back Brooklyn Loans** of up to \$10,000.

The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce has created the [Bring Back Brooklyn Fund Loan and Grant Program](#)

The **New Bronx Chamber of Commerce** is here for you. We're working hard to get our business owners resources and information as it becomes available. Are you a Bronx business interested in applying for a relief program? We can help!

[Click here for a lot more information.](#)

### WomensNet Amber Grant

WomensNet gives away at least \$10,000 every month in Amber Grant money. They've now added an Annual \$25,000 Amber Grant as well as marketing and \$2000 mini grants. [See the full list here.](#)

### Introducing the NYC Small Business Resource Network

Are you a small business? [We are here to help you.](#)

### Legal resources for small businesses

There are a range of resources available to New York City small businesses:

- [New York City Bar Association](#)
- [Moderate Means program](#)
- [Legal Referral Service](#)
- [Pro Bono Partnership](#)

## NY State and City Programs

**NEW!**

Bronx Night Market just opened the applications for small businesses and entrepreneurs to participate in the most successful event series of the borough. [Click here to apply](#)

New York's [Shared Work Program](#) lets companies keep trained staff and avoid layoffs. Employees can receive partial Unemployment Insurance benefits while working reduced hours. Full-time, part-

time and seasonal employees are eligible.

New Resources, Webinars and Good News from the *Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative* - [Check updates here](#)

**Help for the Bronx**, COVID-19 has hit the Bronx, hard. But there's help. [Check this out!](#)

Resources from **Bronx Community College** to help the local Bronx community:

- a listing of companies that are hiring right now - [here](#)
- resources to help individuals and businesses disrupted by COVID-19 - [here](#)
- free online courses on a range of topics - [here](#)

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