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For additional assistance on accessing a wide range of small business support services available throughout New York State, please contact us directly.

Empire State Development's Division for Small Business supports the continuous development and growth of small businesses in New York State.

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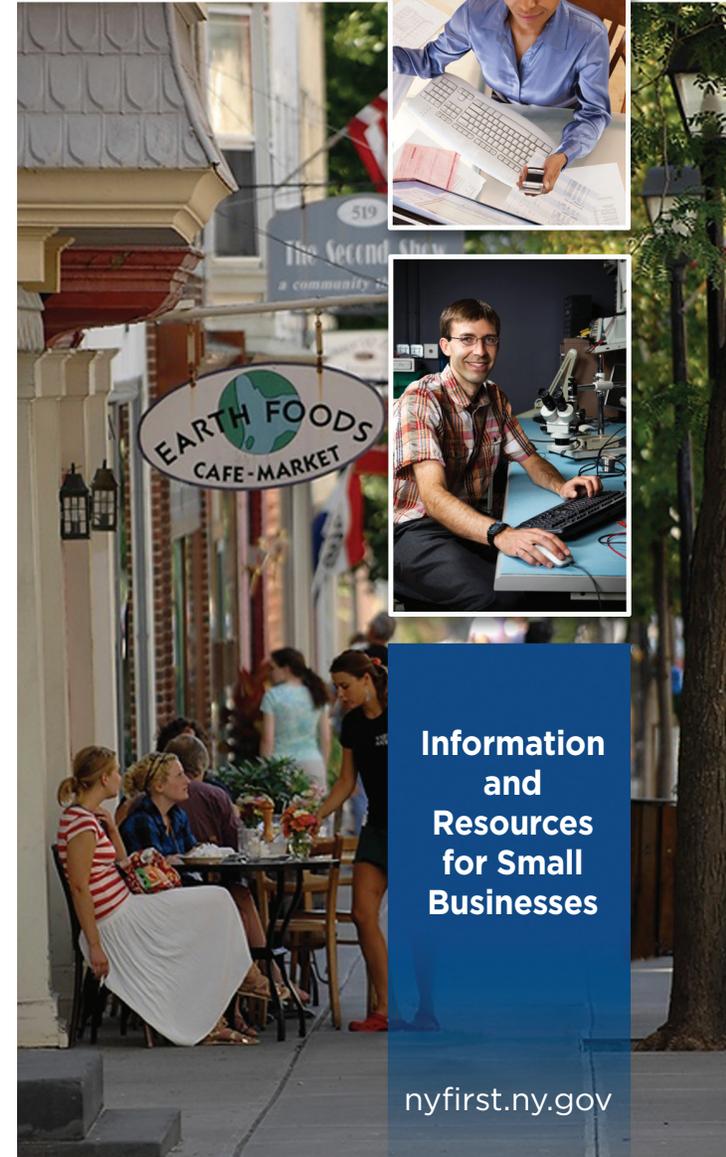
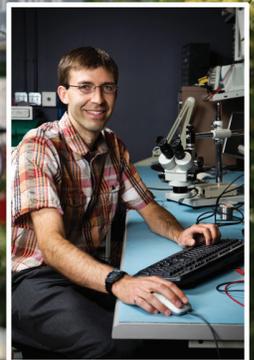
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# New York State can help you start and grow your business

At [nyfirst.ny.gov](http://nyfirst.ny.gov) you can:

## >> Download Start-Up Resources

New York State offers a number of publications that will guide you through the process of owning and operating a small business in New York State. The *Starting a Business* and *Your Business* guides cover business registration, business structure, permitting, licensing, and a host of other common start-up issues.



## >> Access a Directory of New York State Small Business Programs

New York State has made it easier to navigate over 140 small business programs offered by State agencies and public authorities.



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## >> Find Sources of Capital

New York State has made it easier to find information on a variety of financial incentives and sources of capital with tools such as the New York State Directory of Alternative Lending Programs.

## >> Find Business Support Services in Your Area

Whether you need assistance in writing a business plan, preparing financial statements, or licensing or permitting, we can direct you to organizations that can help.

## >> Access Information on Selling to Government

Download the procurement guide "Doing Business with New York State" or browse contracting opportunities in the New York State Contract Reporter, the official publication with specific opportunities to sell goods or services to New York State. If you are a minority or women-owned business enterprise (M/WBE), access information on how to obtain M/WBE certification and take advantage of New York State's M/WBE contracting goals.