

Local Funding Sources Resource List

The Commerce Department Storefront Improvement Program

<http://www.phila.gov/commerce/neighborhoods/Pages/RevitalizingCorridors.aspx>

There are many programs listed on the website with a unique contact name and number for each.

The Enterprise Center

<http://theenterprisecenter.com/>

"...provides access to capital, capacity building, business education and economic development opportunities to high-potential, minority entrepreneurs."

Entrepreneur Works

<http://www.myentrepreneurworks.org/>

"...creates pathways of opportunity for talented yet underserved entrepreneurs."

EW offers a variety of loans (including small business loan amounts ranging from \$500-\$5,000), business tools and training.

FINANTA

<http://www.finanta.org/>

"...a non-profit lending institution that provides access to capital and technical assistance in the Philadelphia region."

FINANTA's Business Program categories include: Credit-Building, Precaps Program, Business Loans, and Incubator Space.

KIVA – Kiva City Philadelphia

<https://www.kiva.org/philadelphia>

"...helps small business owners get the financing they need to grow and create jobs. Kiva Cities are a partnership of local community groups, microfinance organizations and Kiva Zip Trustees working together to connect Kiva lenders to entrepreneurs that they know and trust in their communities."

The Merchants Fund

<http://www.merchantsfund.org/>

"...to provide financial assistance to current merchants in Philadelphia."

Grants available: Stabilization, Loan Match (Expanding Products and Services), and Special Group.

PIDC

<http://www.pidcphila.com/>

"... offers a wide range of loans, tax-exempt financing, and technical assistance to businesses, developers, and non-profits of all shapes and sizes." Visit PIDC's website for resources as well as a calendar of events.

The Reinvestment Fund

<https://www.reinvestment.com/>

"...to build wealth and opportunity for low-wealth people and places through promotion of socially and environmentally responsible development."

Applications for financing are separated into categories: Housing, K-12 Education, Early Childhood Education, Healthy Food, Health Care, Commercial Real Estate, Community Facilities, and Energy.

SCORE

<https://philadelphia.score.org/>

Small Business Administration

<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs>

West Philadelphia Financial Services Institution

<https://wpfsi.com/>

LISC - <http://www.lisc.org/philly/>

Provides technical assistance grants (have funded work with EF for orgs in the past)

Underway, but worth knowing about:

<https://www.kavechallenge.com/>