



Useful resources for small businesses



Cheap, cool logo designs

crowdSPRING

Post projects such as logo, website and collateral material design requests, along with your budget guidelines, to a large network of creatives and choose the submission you like most. (We got our officewarehousespace.net logo done for \$300!)
<http://www.crowdspring.com>

Business Plans

MasterPlans

A business plan writing company that will research, write, edit and produce the financials for the business plan you need to get your company started.
<http://www.masterplans.com>

Customer survey

SurveyMonkey

A web-based survey tool you can use to survey existing customers, potential customers and even employees to help start or improve your business.
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/>

Website design

Portland Internet Design

Portland Internet Design does small business web development with big business techniques and made the one you are looking at! We have used them and they are great!
<http://portlandinternetdesign.com/>

Search engine marketing

Formic Media

Formic Media can help you get results through search engine optimization and social media marketing. We know, we've used them.
<http://www.formicmedia.com/>

Business discounts and coupons

America's Best Companies

Access discounts and savings to all types of services necessary to run a small business affordably, like ADP, TMobile, Staples, UPS and Stamps.com.
<http://www.americasbestcompanies.com/partners/Default.aspx>

Improving your business

Accelerator

A program within the Entrepreneurs' Organization (the world's premier peer to peer organization) that will connect you with other entrepreneurs and provide you with the tools and skills to grow your business to more than \$1 million in annual revenue. (Must have \$250k annual revenue to join.)
<http://www.accelerator.eonetwork.org/Pages/Default.aspx>

Get money

Prosper

Borrow \$1,000 to \$25,000 personal unsecured 3-year loan at the largest peer-to-peer lending marketplace. (Requires good credit and a minimum credit score of 640.)
<http://www.prosper.com/loans/>



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Nationwide receptionists

Ruby Receptionists

Nationwide, from our studio in Portland, Oregon, we'll handle your calls with care – answering with your custom greeting, screening, announcing and transferring calls wherever you may work, and taking messages, offering voicemail, and providing helpful information when you're away. Our cheerful live virtual receptionists are trained to make a difference in your day. Let us know that you found Ruby on officewarehousespace.net and we'll waive the setup fee for a savings of \$95!

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

Help registering your business

LegalZoom

Wondering if you should be an LLC or a corporation? Easy explanations of the differences are available here, and a service to help you create legal documents necessary to start your business.

http://www.legalzoom.com/business-formations/business-formations.html?WT.mc_id=AF3192

Is my name available?

California Secretary of State

Check for name availability in the state of California.

<http://www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/name-availability.htm>

Register my business yourself

California Secretary of State

Submit filings necessary to conduct business in the state of California.

<http://www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/forms.htm>

Local Chambers of Commerce

Sacramento Metro Chamber of Commerce

Join the Sacramento Metro Chamber of Commerce to promote our business.

<http://www.metrochamber.org/CWT/Index.aspx>

Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce

Join the Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce to promote your business.

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

Antelope-Highlands Chamber of Commerce

Join the Antelope-Highlands Chamber of Commerce to promote your business.

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