## PLAINVILLE BUSINESS RESOURCES



ADVANCE CT - A leading non-profit organization working with CT DECD, aiming to engage, retain & recruit businesses to advance the economic competitiveness in the State. Offers focused assistance in the areas of manufacturing, aerospace & defense, technology, & financial services. Offers assistance in large scale site selection, recruitment, & hiring.



**BUSINESS.CT.GOV** - The State of Connecticut launched a onestop shop to assist established and new businesses. Here, business owners can handle all state filings, tax payments, and a host of resources from start-up forms, to securing additional funding, expanding or relocating, and best hiring practices.



<u>CCAT</u> - CT Center for Advanced Technology focuses on growing and advancing technology and manufacturing offerings. Offering sector-focused manufacturing assistance, workshops, business assessments, and funding opportunities.



<u>CEDF</u> - Community Economic Development Fund offers a variety of business assistance opportunities including business plan review & development, loan application assistance, business trainings, & independent funding opportunities aimed at growing and strengthening Connecticut businesses.



Community Investment Corporation™ **<u>CIC</u>** - Community Investment Corporation is an economic development lender offering financial guidance to entrepreneurs looking to establish & grow their ideas. A variety of loan programs are offered ranging from microloans (up to \$15,000) to assistance on SBA loans up to \$5 million.



<u>CONNSTEP</u> - The State's leading business consulting firm focusing on identifying opportunities for growth, increased productivity, & increase client competitiveness in an ever evolving market. Areas of expertise include business development, cybersecurity, quality management, technology, & workforce development.



**<u>CTSBDC</u>** - The CT Small Business Development Center, & the State's affiliate of SBA, aims to help small businesses state, grow, & thrive with a host of free business advising areas of expertise including one-on-one advising, loan application assistance, live events, on-demand webinars, tutorials, and business tips & articles.



<u>CT DECD</u> - The Economic & Community Development Department is the hub of State-sponsored and affiliated programs, guidance, and development opportunities. Offerings include small business resource guides, State funded grant and loan opportunities, and areas of Enterprise Development & tax incentives.



<u>HEDCO</u> - The Hartford Economic Development Corporation helps clients improve, achieve, & succeed by supporting growth & progress with established businesses, entrepreneurs, & nonprofits. Offerings include free business advising, low interest loans, a revolving loan program, technical assistance, & a host of training opportunities.



Manufacturing Innovation Fund - State program focused on growth, innovation, & progress of the advanced manufacturing sector. Funding is available for loans, grants, & supporting initiatives focused on university partnering programs, job training and skill development, and providing match funds for federal grants.



<u>CT PTAC</u> - Provides marketing & procurement assistance to businesses interested in selling goods/services to local, state, & federal governments. Assistance is provided a no cost and includes counseling, training, and events.



**<u>SCORE</u>** - The State's largest network of free volunteer small business mentors, provides workshops, start-up assistance, conferences, and informational resources.



**Women's** Business Development Council

WBDC - The Women's Business Development Council has provided training & education to help women thrive in business. Offering free businesses assistance, one-on-one consulting, webinars, mentoring, trainings, and funding opportunities including in the child care arena.

The Town of Plainville has compiled this list in an effort to help small businesses and new business start-ups thrive & grow. It is by no means comprehensive and the Town acknowledges that many other resources and organizations exist within the State. The Town of Plainville offers this information as an aide in research, only. There is no substitute for conventional legal advice and guidance when starting or expanding a business. We make no claims or warranties as to the accuracy of this information. Organization logos are used for informational purposes only, the Town of Plainville does not stake claim to owning.