

Center on Self-Employment

National Center on Self-Employment, Business Ownership, and Telecommuting

DELAWARE STARTUP RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

1. The Delaware County Business Micro Loan Program

Provides microloans for emerging businesses through Buckeye State Bank.

Loan amounts range from \$10,000 - \$25,000 for general business needs. Interest rate of 4.00% for 60 months.

<https://www.joinbsb.com/loans-credit/business-loans>

2. Wilmington, DE Micro Loan Program

Provides micro loans for small businesses.

The desired micro loan lending range is around \$500 to \$5,000.

https://www.greenpolicy360.net/w/Wilmington,_DE_Micro_Loan_Program

3. West End Neighborhood House

Provides business education and technical assistance and workshops to emerging small businesses in low-income neighborhoods.

<https://westendnh.org/programs/launcher/>

4. Seedco

Provides the 7(a) SBA loan for emerging small businesses including startup businesses. Can provide loans of up to 5M.

<https://seedcopa.com/sba-7a/>

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5. True Access Capital

Provides micro loans and technical assistance to small business owners, especially those from disadvantaged communities who have trouble getting a bank loan.

<https://trueaccesscapital.org/loan-products/>

6. Delaware Prosperity Partnership

Provides general information on economic development in Delaware.

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

7. Grow Wilmington Fund

Provides loans to small businesses in Wilmington. Loans typically range from 150K to 2.5M.

<https://www.wilmingtonde.gov/business/grow-wilmington-fund>

8. Grow Delaware Fund

Provides funding to emerging small businesses. Funding generally ranges from 150K to 4M.

<https://www.facebook.com/growdelawarefund/>

9. Emerging Enterprise Center

Provides mentoring and support to emerging businesses by New Castle Chamber of Commerce.

<https://eecincubator.com/>

10. Delaware Technology Park

Provides resources and connections and research grants for companies in the technology, advanced materials, and renewable energy sectors and life science industries.

<https://deltechpark.org/about-us/>

11. Food Business Incubator Center at Delaware State University

Provides a commercial kitchen for emerging food producers.

<https://business.desu.edu/centers/delaware-center-enterprise-development/food-business-incubation-center>

12. Empowerment Fund

Provides grants to small businesses owned by people of color.

https://trueaccesscapital.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/TAC_Empowerment_Fund_Flyer_v2_12.01.pdf

13. Innovation Space

The First Fund™ is a source of funding for early state science startup companies in need of support.

Provides up to \$200,000 in cash, lab space, and support services via a convertible note.

<https://innovationspace.org/the-first-fund/#first-fund>

14. Business Incubator & Collaborative Workspace

Run by The Middletown Area Chamber of Commerce.

Provides general support for emerging companies.

<https://www.maccde.com/business-incubator-collaborative-workspace/>

15. Science, Technology and Research Institute of Delaware (STRIDE)

STRIDE is a nonprofit organization headquartered in Delaware. They are organized to deliver open innovation, R&D, education, and consulting services in the sciences and support and develop new businesses.

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/science-technology-and-research-institute-of-delaware-stride-/about/>

16. Delaware Biotechnology Institute

Provides general support for Delaware companies in the biotech sector.

<https://www.dbi.udel.edu/>