



Chico Business Resources

New and expanding businesses in Chico (like yours!) are fortunate to have at your fingertips a variety of economic and workforce development organizations to assist you along your journey. Recognizing the importance of collaboration and efficiency, a coalition of these organizations was formed to evaluate and respond to the specific needs of local businesses. This coalition is Team Chico.

Use this handy guide to connect with the services you may need now and for the lifetime of your business. The graph below shows you what services each organization provides, and the back of this document gives you more in-depth information for each resource.

We are here to help your business thrive in Chico!

Services by Agency									
	Data / Research	Business Expansion	Permitting & Development Assistance	Financing	HR Assistance	Counseling & Mentoring	Workshops, Seminars & Events	Networking	Advocacy
3CORE		✓		✓		✓		✓	
Alliance for Workforce Development Inc. (AFWD)	✓	✓			✓				
Butte College Small Business Development Center (SBDC)		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
Butte College, The Training Place						✓	✓		
Chico Chamber of Commerce		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
Chicostart							✓	✓	
Chico State – North State Planning & Development Collective	✓						✓		
City of Chico		✓	✓						✓
Downtown Chico Business Association (DCBA)							✓	✓	✓
Explore Butte County (EBC)	✓						✓		✓
North State Hispanic Chamber of Commerce						✓	✓	✓	✓
SCORE Capital Corridor						✓	✓		

Agencies Serving Businesses

Take a deeper look at each agency and how they can help.

3CORE

2515 Ceanothus Ave., Ste 105, Chico
530.893.8732
3coreedc.org
phess@3coreedc.org

Services: Small business financing, gap financing, business mentoring, business networking, Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), business incubation, Business Resource Liaison, Infrastructure financing, Economic Development District (EDD), Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs)

Alliance for Workforce Development Inc. (AFWD)

500 Cohasset Road, Suite 30, Chico
530.616.0919
afwd.org
lbradbury@ncen.org

Services: Job postings and employee recruitment assistance, including application/resume screening, financial support for on the job training, human resources, training programs, job descriptions, and workshops for employers/employees. Job training programs, job placement assistance, job seeker workshops, youth employment opportunities, and collaboration with other service providers are also available.

Butte College Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico
530.895.9017
buttecollegesbdc.com
konuwaso@butte.edu

Services: One-on-one business consulting/mentorship and trainings to existing small and medium-sized business owners and potential entrepreneurs in all areas of business start-up, development, management, growth, expansion, and access to capital. Services include loan packaging, crowdfunding, business plan & proposal, marketing and more.

Butte College, The Training Place

2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico
530.895.9015
butte.edu/thetrainingplace
thetrainingplace@butte.edu

Services: Workforce training, customized training and online training for new hires and current employees in areas of business skills, communication, customer service, Lean/Six Sigma, MS office and computer skills, management, supervisory, manufacturing and human resource skills.

Chico Chamber of Commerce

180 E. 4th Street, Suite 120, Chico
530.891.5556
chicochamber.com
info@chicochamber.com

Services: Local and state advocacy, business outreach, education, destination management, retail collaboration, visitor services, business referrals, business visibility, city-wide event attraction and promotion.

Chicostart

411 Main Street, Suite 101, Chico
530.893.8732
Chicostart.com
info@chicostart.com

Services: Support for Entrepreneurial Ecosystems and startups including shared office amenities, mentoring, workshops, internships, tech talks, entrepreneurial events, and satellite office programs.

Chico State - North State Planning & Development Collective

35 Main Street, Suite 203, Chico
530.898.4372
nspdc.csuchico.edu
jschwenkler@csuchico.edu

Services: GIS mapping and broadband infrastructure support, economic development services including research, surveying, analysis, planning and implementation, feasibility studies, statistical profiles, and broadband initiative.

City of Chico

411 Main Street, Chico
www.chico.ca.gov
Jennifer.MacCarthy@chicoca.gov

Economic Development:
530.896.7204; ChooseChico.com

Business Licenses:
530.879.7320; chico.ca.us/business-licenses

Building Permits:
530.879.6700; chico.ca.us/building-division

Development Review, Planning & Zoning:
530-879-6800; chico.ca.us/planning-division

Recycling Market Development Zone:
530-896-7241; www.calrecycle.ca.gov/rmdz

Services: Business location, permitting, licensing, referrals and assistance for business location, business expansion, business retention, infrastructure improvements, and community safety.

Downtown Chico Business Association (DCBA)

539 Flume Street, Suite 204
530.345.6500
downtownchico.com
dcba@downtownchico.com

Services: Work with downtown businesses to create unique experiences for residents and visitors, host place gathering events to draw customers and market downtown and it business as destinations not to be missed.

Explore Butte County (EBC)

P.O. Box 2154, Chico
530.918.4596
explorebuttecounty.com
contact@explorebuttecounty.com

Services: Destination marketing and management, special event marketing, local and state advocacy for travel and tourism industry, visitor and visitation data to and around the county.

North State Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 1971
530.680.1829
nshchamber.com
info@nshchamber.com

Services: Business advocacy, marketing/outreach, education/workshops, business support, business to business referrals, and translation services including technical assistance for businesses in Spanish and English. Business referrals and promotion of local products and services available.

SCORE Capital Corridor

1324 Mangrove Avenue #114, Chico
530.342.8932
capitalcorridor.score.org
ch.admin0417@scorevolunteer.org

Services: Workshops and mentoring, tune-ups for existing businesses.



chico.ca.us/economic-development

