

Prince George's Financial Services Corporation

Mission:

FSC First is a flexible, risk-tolerant alternative funding source that provides innovative and creative financing solutions and loan administration services that benefit small and emerging businesses.

Vision:

FSC First envisions a community where all small businesses have financial tools they need to thrive.

Programs & Services:

Financial Solutions:

- SBA 504 Loan
- VLT Small Business FLEX Fund
- Small Business Growth Fund
- Microenterprise Loan Program
- Economic Development Incentive (EDI) Fund
- City of Bowie Loan Fund

Technical Assistance:

- Accounting Clinic
- Loan Packaging Services

For more information, visit www.fscfirst.com; email info@fscfirst.com; call 301-883-6900



Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation

The Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) provides business services that help attract, retain, and expand businesses, create high-quality jobs and expand the commercial tax base of Prince George's County. The EDC provides the right combination of investment incentives to attract new businesses and capital to help businesses grow through its Business Development Division, access to our Small Business Accelerator program and accompanying support services through its Small Business Development Division, and strategic connections to promote the County regionally and globally to support international trade for local business.

EDC staff can help you navigate the process for doing business in Prince George's County by providing economic and industry data, site location assistance, and state and local incentive information. We bring together key parties in the public and private sectors to spur and accelerate economic growth in the County and Maryland as a whole. In addition, EDC provides the training, business development assistance and other resources to help your business.

For more information, visit www.pgcedc.com; call 301-583-4650



Prince George's Community College Center for Entrepreneurial Development

Mission:

The Center for Entrepreneurial Development (CED) through an innovative capacity building curriculum, will prepare local entrepreneurs to take full advantage of business opportunities in Prince George's County and throughout the metropolitan region.

Vision:

The Center for Entrepreneurial Development (CED) will be a catalyst for growing the County's economy by increasing the capacity of local entrepreneurs.

For more information, visit www.pgcc.edu/go/CED; email ced@pgcc.edu; call 301-546-7422



Prince George's County Council MBE Compliance Manager

Mission:

The mission of the Prince George's County Council's MBE Compliance Manager is to advocate for and promote policies and regulations to improve opportunities for MES's, County-based, and County-located businesses; and to establish a strong support presence in the business community. The mission shall be accomplished working in a collaborative effort with other stakeholders in the County responsible for economic development.

Vision:

The vision of the Prince George's County Council's MBE Compliance Manager is to have a substantial number of local and minority businesses with the capacity to bid successfully on major development projects in the county and throughout the region; and ensure that the local residents and the MBE community benefit from the major development projects and the growth and economic development in the County through contracts and employment opportunities.

For more information, visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/pages/My-Business.aspx



Prince George's County Supplier Development & Diversity Division

Mission:

To stimulate a vibrant and sustainable inclusive and diverse supplier program by advocating for Strategic Sourcing; facilitating Business Development, and ensuring business Diversity and Inclusion that creates value for Local, Small, Minority, Disadvantaged and Veteran County Businesses that seek to foster job creation and increases the commercial tax base.

Vision:

The Supplier Development and Diversity Division (SDDD) will be recognized as the premier supplier diversity program, creating the opportunity for economic empowerment in Prince George's County and throughout the region for Local, Small, Disadvantaged, Minority, and Veteran Businesses.

For more information, visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/SupplierDevelopment; call 301-883-6480



Maryland Women's Business Center

Mission:

The Maryland Women's Business Center (MWBC) helps start, sustain, and grow women-owned enterprises.

Vision:

Our vision is to be a regional leader in building successful and innovative women-owned enterprises that stimulate job growth and overall economic development through training, counseling, and access to resources.

Services:

The Maryland Women's Business Center offers a variety of services to support preventure, start-up, and existing women-owned businesses. Let us help you scale your business growth with our specialized seminars and workshops, one-on-one and group business counseling, and access to a variety of business resources.

For more information, visit www.marylandwbc.org; call 301-383-1550 x104



Department of Permitting, Inspection, and Enforcement (DPIE)

DPIE is responsible for coordinating and enforcing standards that control what goes on before, during and after construction.

Divisions

- Permitting and Licensing Division - Provides administrative oversight of permits and licenses
- Site/Road Plan Review Division - Provides review and approval of site/road plans and permits for site development, grading, storm drainage, stormwater management, floodplain, roads, paving and utilities
- Building Plan Review Division - Provides technical support to the development community through the review and approval of plans for residential and commercial construction
- Inspections Division - Protects the natural and man-made environment in Prince George's County, as well as the safety and welfare of our citizens, by enforcing building, site and road development codes and regulations
- Enforcement Division - Ensures that Prince George's County remains a great place in which to live, work, visit and invest by enforcing property maintenance standards and appropriate zoning laws to keep communities free of litter and blighted properties

Contact

301-636-2000; <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1024/Permitting-Inspections-and-Enforcement>



Maryland Department of Commerce

Are you a new or existing business looking for help to retain workers or expand, or branch out internationally? Are you a company considering Maryland as a location? The Maryland Department of Commerce is here to help.

As the state's primary economic development agency, we stimulate private investment and create jobs by attracting new businesses, encouraging the expansion and retention of existing companies, and providing workforce training and financial assistance to Maryland companies. The Department also promotes the state's many economic advantages and markets local products and services at home and abroad to spur economic development and international investment, trade and tourism.

Key Services:

- Building and site location assistance
- Finance programs, tax credits and training grants
- Business advocacy and consulting
- Technology transfer
- Foreign direct investment
- Export consulting and marketing
- Tradeshow and conference partnership

Contact

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For general inquiries, please contact communications.commerce@maryland.gov



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Maryland Department of Transportation MBE Certification

The Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE) is the State's Official Certification Agency.

Firms with Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) certification may meet minority participation goals on state-funded contracts issued by the State of Maryland in addition to contracts funded by counties and cities within Maryland that accept MDOT's certification for their minority participation programs.

There is no cost to apply for certification as an MBE/DBE. It takes several months to complete the entire process once a complete application package has been received. Submitting an incomplete application package will delay the overall certification process. Please follow the Documentation Checklist appropriate to your business structure and don't hesitate to contact OMBE with questions at any time.

OMBE conducts a free workshop every month to help applicants confidently prepare the application and navigate the certification process.

For more information, visit http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/newMDOT/MBE/CertificationForms/MBE_Certification.html; call 410-865-1269; or email mbe@mdot.state.md.us



Prince George's County Business Resource Coalition

Mission:

To collaboratively pursue economic and community development initiatives that enhance, empower and encourage opportunities and positive economic growth, and increase awareness about tools and opportunities that build the capacity of the business community.

Vision:

The Business Resource Coalition strives to be a collaborative economic development resource that empowers businesses through its access to tools/learning solutions, consultant services and access to capital, so that businesses are ready to compete successfully in a global marketplace.

For more information, visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/pages/My-Business.aspx



Bowie Business Innovation Center

Mission:

The Mission of the Bowie Business Innovation Center (Bowie BIC) is to accelerate company growth, innovation and job generation in the City of Bowie and Prince George's County through its program of focused business mentoring and business training, connections to partners and investors and access to affordable business facilities. Located at Bowie State University, Bowie BIC is committed to delivering enhanced learning opportunities for the students at the university through experiential internship programs and entrepreneurship activities.

Vision:

The Bowie Business Innovation Center (Bowie BIC) will deliver transformative business resources that invigorate and build wealth for the growing entrepreneurial community in Prince George's County.

For more information, visit www.BowieBIC.com; email Crystal.Clark@BowieBIC.com or call 301-383-1550 x105.



U.S. Small Business Administration

Mission:

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) was created in 1953 as an independent agency of the federal government to aid, counsel, assist and protect the interests of small business concerns, to preserve free competitive enterprise and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of our nation. We recognize that small business is critical to our economic recovery and strength, to building America's future, and to helping the United States compete in today's global marketplace. Although SBA has grown and evolved in the years since it was established in 1953, the bottom line mission remains the same. The SBA helps Americans start, build and grow businesses. Through an extensive network of field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations, SBA delivers its services to people throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, the U. S. Virgin Islands and Guam.

For more information, visit www.sba.gov; call 800-827-5722



Office of the County Executive

Mission:

To transform the quality of life for our residents, visitors and businesses by providing excellent services that achieve high levels of customer satisfaction through integrity, accountability, and convenience.

Vision:

Prince George's County is a nationally recognized jurisdiction that will be a leader in the Washington Metropolitan Region because of our unique opportunity to provide high quality healthcare, a thriving economy, great schools and safe neighborhoods. We will govern with policies and practices that are innovative, results oriented and sustainable. The residents and businesses of Prince George's County will know that this is one of the best places to live, invest, work and visit.

For more information, visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/ExecutiveBranch/About/Pages/Vision-Mission-Principles.aspx



Prince George's County Council

All legislative powers of the County are vested in the County Council. In addition, the County Council sits as the District Council on zoning and land use matters, and as the Board of Health on health policy matters. The County Council meets as a legislative body every Tuesday in the Council Hearing Room on the first floor of the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro. The District Council meets on second and fourth Mondays. The Board of Health meets as required. The Council recesses in August and December.

For more information, visit www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/countycouncil/Pages/default.aspx

