## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND CONTACTS

## Transportation

## **Freedom Shuttle**

Freedom Shuttle offers a variety of transportation services throughout the Boise, ID area.

## Commuteride

Commute options through education, rideshare services, and effective partnerships.

## Valley Regional Transit

Public Transportation in the Treasure Valley. (208) 345-7433 - **Open until 6** valleyregionaltransit.org/

## Harvest Transit

Harvest Transit by Harvest Church Meridian is a free transportation service giving opportunity for seniors & disabled residents of Meridian. Pick up from house & travel to any location within boundaries.

(208)343-4414 - **Open until 3** harvestransit.com

# Department of Health and Welfare

Financial & food assistance, Medicaid & health, Children & families healthandwelfare.idaho.gov

## Idaho Department of Labor

Resources you need to learn and adhere to applicable pay, safety and health, and nondiscrimination requirements. dol.gov

## **Business Organizations**

## SBA - Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration helps entrepreneurs start, build, and grow businesses through loans, contracts, counseling sessions, classes, and more. Irene Gonzalez | Economic Development Specialist *Irene.gonzalez@sba.gov* (208) 836-0104

## Idaho Commerce

The Business Resource Center is here to help you find answers and resources, develop strategies, solve problems and get guidance with business, marketing, sales, financing, management, growth opportunities and more. **Karen Appelgren** | VP / Director of Business Resource Center <u>Karen.Appelgren@zionsbank.com</u> <u>brc.zionsbank.com</u>

## SBDC - Small Business Development Center

Statewide, university-based organization which provides guidance in developing and growing a successful business. idahosbdc.org/

## Idaho Women's Business Center

Funding, Professional Services, and Connections for women, startups, and entrepreneurs. Diane Bevan | Executive Director idahowomen.org/

## SCORE

SCORE mentoring is a free service offered to any aspiring or established owners of a U.S.based business. www.score.org

## **Chambers & Associations**

## Meridian Chamber of Commerce

Sean Evans | CEO sean.evans@meridianchamber.org (208) 577-2440 www.meridianchamber.org

## **Black Community Alliance**

BCA offers training and advising, technical assistance and connections for black owned businesses to help them recover and thrive. https://www.idahobca.com/

## Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

A State-Wide Chamber Serving the Hispanic Community of Idaho. www.idahohcc.net/

## Veterans Chamber of Commerce

Deeply rooted within Idaho and Military communities through collaboration and connection. www.idahoveterans.org



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# LIBRARY RESOURCES

Meridian, II

## **Research Tools**

## **Reference Solutions**

Reference Solutions, formerly Reference USA, is your premier business information resource. Search historical business records, new businesses, learn about consumer trends and research, and search jobs and internships throughout the U.S.

#### Value Line

With 130 stocks updated weekly, this resource contains investment research information on over 1,700 larger stocks across ninety industries.

#### **Small Business Reference**

Information on small business and entrepreneurial subject areas, common business types, help and advice, and information for creating business plans.

## **Digital Collection**

#### Libby

eBooks and eAudiobooks to stream in your browser or download to your mobile devices.

#### Ida App

Search the library catalog, put items on hold, manage your library account, check out items on your phone when inside a library location. Meridian Library offers a variety of services, tools, and databases to assist and support businesses in Idaho.

#### Databases

#### **Business Source Premier**

Find content from journals covering all areas of business including marketing, management, accounting, finance, and economics. Includes company profiles with SWOT analyses.

#### Learning Express

This resource includes modules on computer skills, standardized test prep (ACT, SAT, GED), vocational certification, U.S. citizenship, and more. Use an email address to create a free account and start learning today.

#### **Gale Business Databases**

Search our different Gale Databases for Demographics, Legal Forms and Business Plan Builders. Advance your business and access hundreds of different legal forms.



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## Services

## **Technology Help**

Limited access to public computers available at Cherry Lane and Silverstone. For technology help requests, email help@mld.org

#### **Business Help**

Assistance with consumer and market research, navigating databases, and more. Email unbound@mld.org

#### MakerSpace

3D Printing, Laser Engravers, CNC Machine, Cricuts, Adobe Suite, Large Format Printing

## Sound Studio/Meeting Spaces

Free for the first hour. \$15/hour after

## Locations

Cherry Lane 1326 Cherry Lane

Orchard Park 1268 W Orch Pk Dr

Silverstone 3531 E Overland Rd

unBound 722 E 2nd Street, ID

**Tiny Library** 5159 S Hillsdale Ave

Outreach outreach@mld.org

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## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Meridian, ID

Find information about special licenses. permits, or taxes that may apply to your business.



## **Events and Spaces**

JUMP Jacks Urban Meeting Space. Event Center.

**IBL Events** Virtual and In-Person Events for businesses. www.iblevents.com/

Trailhead Co-working space and events for new businesses. www.trailheadboise.org

Kiln Shared office and event space. https://kiln.com/communities/ meridian/

## **City of Meridian**

## **Clerk's Office**

Chris Johnson | City Clerk cjohnson@meridiancity.org (208) 888-4433

Adrienne Weatherly | Deputy City Clerk aweatherly@meridiancity.org (208) 888-4433

Licensing and Permits meridiancity.org/clerk/temporaryuse

Daniel Torres | Economic Development dtorres@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0537

## **Mayor's Office**

Robert Simison | Mayor rsimison@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0530

Dave Miles | Chief of Staff dmiles@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0532

**Stephany Galbreaith Communications Manager** sgalbreaith@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0538

Jacob Cluff | Community Relations jcluff@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0532

## Local News

**BoiseDev** 

Don Day don@boisedev.com www.boisedev.com

**Meridian Press** newsroom@idhaopress.com www.idahopress.com/meridian/

## **Idaho Business Review**

news@idahobusinessreview.com www.idahobusinessreview.com

## Community **Development**

Caleb Hood | Planning Division Manager Chood@meridiancity.org (208) 884-5533 Ext: 1572

Brian McClure | Comprehensive Associate Planner bmcclure@meridiancity.org (208) 884-5533 Ext: 1579

Jaime Del Barrio Volunteer Opportunities jdelbarrio@meridiancity.org (208) 489-0562

**Economic Development** 

economic\_development@meridian city.org (208) 888-6678

Sam Zahorka | Building Official szahorka@meridiancity.org (208) 887-2211

**Parks and Recreation** 

recreation@meridiancity.org (208) 888-3579

Public Works

publicworks@meridiancity.org 208-898-5500 meridiancity.org/public-works/

**Republic Services** 

trashtalk@meridiancity.org (208) 345-1265

#### COMPASS

The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is the forum for regional collaboration in southwest Idaho that helps maintain a healthy and economically vibrant region, offering people choices in how and where they live, work, play, and travel. 208.855.2558 www.compassidaho.org/

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