



## Small Business Support & Services

### **BizAid: Business Planning Classes**

*Small Business Program, City of Austin Economic Development Department*

Artists and creatives are businesses too! This no-cost class, offered in-person and online, serves as an introduction to resources available to small business owners as well as the various government agencies or organizations that you may need to reach out to along the way. In this session, you will be informed of key questions to consider when developing your business and resources to take you to the next level. Register for this class and others at [www.smallbizaustin.org](http://www.smallbizaustin.org)

### **BizOpen: Commercial Property Requirements**

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BizOpen serves as a point of contact for new and existing small business owners seeking assistance navigating the Planning and Zoning Department as well as the Development Services Department. Register for this class and others at [www.smallbizaustin.org](http://www.smallbizaustin.org)

### **Business Skills Certificate**

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Classroom education on a wide range of relevant small business topics is available at a low cost. Taught by The University of Texas Professional Development Program, these classes can really help the small business owner become better prepared for the day-to-day management of a business. Participants who complete any six classes will receive a Business Success Skills Certificate. A complete list of upcoming classes and events at [www.smallbizaustin.org](http://www.smallbizaustin.org)

### **Family Business Loan Program**

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The Family Business Loan Program is a public-private partnership between the City of Austin, HUD, and participating private lenders to offer low-interest loans to qualified small businesses that are expanding and creating jobs. If you think this is the right program for you or if you would like to get more information, call (512)978-2502 to set an appointment to discuss your project with a Loan Program Advisor. Learn more at [www.smallbizaustin.org](http://www.smallbizaustin.org)

### **Austin Center for Events**

*Multiple City Departments*

The Austin Center for Events (ACE) oversees the permitting and planning for temporary special events and festivals in the City of Austin. ACE is an interdepartmental team consisting of representatives from multiple city departments working together to support special event planning and permitting. The Austin Center for Events' goal is to keep all special events safe while promoting quality of life and boosting economic prosperity through the support of special events. More information may be found at [www.austintexas.gov/citystage](http://www.austintexas.gov/citystage) or by calling the ACE office at (512)974-1000.