

Start Your Own Business

EnterWeb

<http://www.enterweb.org>

EnterWeb is an Internet Virtual Library with an international perspective. It has information on all aspects of entrepreneurship, self-employment and small business management. The site is organized into broad topics such as international commerce, economic development, financing, small business management, e-commerce and many others.

EntreWorld

<http://www.EntreWorld.org>

This is quite possibly the most exhaustive of all information sources on entrepreneurship! This site is jammed with articles, tools and advice on all issues related to setting up your own business. It covers start-up difficulties, balancing business and family life, planning for growth, and many more issues!

Human Resources Management - Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC)

<http://www.hrmanagement.ca>

This site helps employers find qualified employees and make informed decisions on hiring. It also addresses a number of day-to-day human resource management issues, such as employment standards, worker compensation, occupational safety, and benefits.

Canada Business Service Centres (CBSC)

<http://www.cbsc.org>

The CBSC's mission is to provide start-up assistance to new entrepreneurs, help small businesses, and encourage entrepreneurial growth. No matter what field you are interested in, this site provides vital information on government assistance programs.

Strategis: Starting a Business - Industry Canada

<http://strategis.ic.gc.ca>

Thinking of starting a business? Strategis has everything you need to begin. Click on "Starting a Business" to access a range of Web site links and interactive tools to help you plan your business. Find helpful links to Web sites with business news and information on finance, statistics and taxation, hiring employees, doing business on the Internet and much more! Also check out the Canadian Management Network at http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sc_mangb/contact/engdoc/homepage.html to get a list of comprehensive business support organizations and professional business consultants who can provide advice on everything from business start-ups to home business operations!

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Online Small Business Workshop - Canada Business Service Centres (CSBC)

<http://www.cbcs.org>

This site covers everything from the original business idea to the actual start-up. It takes you through the planning, financing and marketing. Each section is full of excellent advice and information.

Interactive Business Planner (IBP)

<http://www.cbcs.org/ibp>

The IBP allows you to create your plan step by step, whether you are starting a business or making one grow. The site uses a question-and-answer format and provides examples and templates to guide you along the way. It will also direct you to sources of relevant information and facilitate financial projections.

Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC)

<http://www.bdc.ca>

The Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) is Canada's small business bank. The site describes its various financing programs, including the Micro Business Program, the Young Entrepreneur Financing Program, Seed and Venture Capital, and others. The BDC also offers management and business consulting services.

YouthBusiness.com

<http://www.youthbusiness.com>

This site offers technical advice and support to young entrepreneurs. The "Resource Centre" section is full of useful articles on topics that are important to new entrepreneurs, such as start-up, financing, franchises, legal issues, and human resources. Registered users can access the "Business Builder" for help with business planning and development. Click on the map of Canada to quickly access a list of programs and services in your province. You can also post your questions on any relevant subjects and they will be answered by small business experts.

Canada One

<http://www.canadaone.com>

Canada One is a Canadian small business magazine, which is full of articles and resources on a variety of topics. Subjects include starting up, writing a business plan, sales, public relations and more. This site also features a Canadian directory of businesses, a "tool kit" full of practical guides and financial tools, and a calendar of business events.