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All programs are held at Central Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis. For directions and parking information see: www.mplib.org/centralmap.asp. To sign up for classes and workshops online see the web link for instructions at: http://www.mplib.org/classsignup.asp? Or call 612-630-6000.

Walk-ins are always welcome!

Business Assistance Consultation from the City of Minneapolis

The City of Minneapolis wants to help your business succeed. In addition to providing consultation on the City's business development review process, the City has a range of resources and services to help businesses get started and thrive. They include 1) Workforce, Employment and Training Tools 2) Business Finance Loans 3) Business Expansion and Site Search Assistance and 4) Minneapolis Development Review. Stop in for free assistance from Andy Carlson, Business Services Specialist with the City of Minneapolis. Reservations are not required.

Central, Room N-202;
Jan 9, 23, Feb 13, 27, Mar 13, 27,
10 a.m -1:30 p.m.

Business Plan Consultations

The library's Micro Entrepreneur Resource Center features an online Business Plan Builder. Stop in and find out how you can use this new tool to write your own business plan. Reservations are not required.

Central, Room N-202;
Jan 9, 23, Feb 13, 27, Mar 13, 27, 11 a.m.- noon

Going into Business Seminar

This workshop, presented by SCORE, is designed to provide answers to your questions about starting a new business: Am I ready to form my own business? Why do I need a business plan? What are the options for structuring my business? How do I research the market? What information services are available? For class fee information and to register, call SCORE at 952-938-4570.

Central, Community Meeting Room S-275;
Mar 24, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Patent Workshop

MPL is the only Patent Depository Library in Minnesota. Join our staff to learn the ins and outs of patent research.

Central, Best Buy Tech Center;
Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Prospecting for Demographic Information

Come learn about a combination of sources for demographic information to help you define your prospective business market. Material covered includes the U.S. Census, Small Business Administration Research Resources and more.

Central Best Buy Tech Center,
Jan 24, Feb 21, Mar 21, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Prospecting for Market and Company Information

This workshop features a little bit of everything you need to know about searching for company and business information including market research, developing sales lead lists and company information.

Central Best Buy Tech Center
Jan 17, Feb 14, Mar 14, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

SCORE Business Consultations

Have you ever dreamed of owning a business? Do you need help with a business question? What does it take to run a small business? Stop in for a free business consultation with a SCORE representative. Free consultations are confidential and are conducted by experienced business leaders. Reservations are not required.

Central, Room N-201;
Jan 9, 23, Feb 13, 27,
Mar 13, 27, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Micro Entrepreneur Resource Center Ready to Start a Small Business?

Minneapolis Public Library is pleased to present the Micro Entrepreneur Resource Center. This exciting new program features several workshops to prepare you for your next career move. Register, research and start a business plan today.

To learn more visit www.mercmpl.org.

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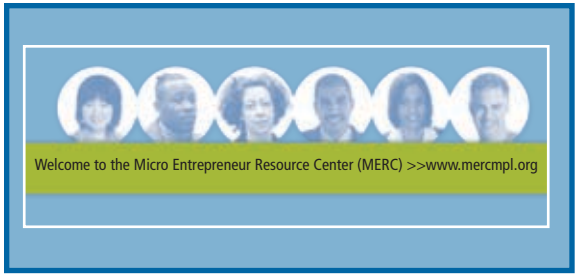

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