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- **[Business and Economic Development & Revitalizations Corp.](#)**

This organization offers small business assistance, entrepreneurial training programs, and redevelopment assistance. Services include business and financial planning, administrative and support services, technical and computer assistance, and other business-related services.

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- **[Business Loan Fund of the Palm Beaches, Inc.](#)**

The goal of the BLFPB is to make capital resources available to start-up entrepreneurs, existing small businesses and community development agencies, especially in low and moderate income areas. They target areas with high poverty and unemployment levels which are struggling outside of the economic mainstream.

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- **[Enterprise Development Corporation of South Florida](#)**

Enterprise Development Corporation (EDC) is dedicated to facilitating the creation, growth, and development of highly attractive, technology-based market niche enterprises that will have a long-term positive economic impact. It provides the necessary professional business services that enable a company to grow beyond an emerging stage. This is done through assistance with strategic planning, strategic alliances, funding, and technology transfer.

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- **[The Economic Development Research Institute \(EDRI\)](#)**

The Economic Development Research Institute (EDRI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, public policy research organization focused on economic development. The purpose of our research and activities is to enhance public debate and understanding of key economic indicators, strategies, and linkages. We serve the wider policy-making community of the South Florida region by providing citizens, scholars, and leaders in business, education, labor and government with the information they need to address a variety of economic challenges.

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- **[Enterprise Florida, Inc.](#)**

Enterprise Florida is a not-for-profit government-business partnership established to guide the development of Florida's economy. Its mission is to support business growth and assist companies in the creation of jobs by coordinating the state of Florida's economic development and international trade programs. Services provided include, but are not limited to, counsel to Florida exporters interested in marketing worldwide, a trade lead dissemination program, an international services export program and access to federal and local trade development programs. Their services are provided free of charge. Some events require participation fees.

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- **[InternetCoast](#)**

The InternetCoast promotes South Florida as a global science and technology hub. Their mission is to focus on social innovation, entrepreneurship and a knowledge based workforce to facilitate investment and drive economic growth.

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- **[PBC Black Business Investment Corporation](#)**

The BBIC provides business loans, bonding equity capital, business and other services in order to support the formation of new black businesses and develop existing black enterprises. Their emphasis is on accessing capital.

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- **[PBC Department of Housing and Community Development](#)**

One of the functions of this county department is to promote the development/redevelopment of communities through public facilities, infrastructure, and public services. Of interest to businesses is that they handle the Community Development Block Grants. Among other things, these grants help expand economic opportunities by assisting small businesses.

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- **[PBC Economic Development Office](#)**

The EDO's primary responsibility is to implement, manage and monitor the PBC Board of County Commissioners' Economic Development Program. In response to the need and demand for governmental assistance and coordination on economic issues, programs and projects in Palm Beach County, the EDO facilitates requests for assistance. Services include grants, incentives and referrals to other organizations which can assist businesses.

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- **[PBC Office of Small Business Assistance](#)**

The Office of Small Business Assistance is responsible for monitoring conditions affecting small businesses within the marketplace that can provide goods and services to Palm Beach County, thus creating an environment that encourages the growth and development of small businesses in Palm Beach County. Their emphasis is serving as a clearinghouse for business information and referral services; providing technical assistance and training opportunities; monitoring, reviewing and evaluating local conditions affecting small/minority/women businesses; and making recommendations to promote a strong small business environment.

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- **[PBC One Stop Development Permitting Website](#)**

This website offers one-stop shopping for all development permitting needs. Assistance includes zoning applications, land use amendment applications, the Comprehensive Plan, the Unified Land Development Code, and specialized business assistance. They also provide approval process flow charts, staff names and contact information, zoning quad sheets, Future Land Use Atlas sheets and links to other permitting agencies such as the South Florida Water Management District.

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- **[PBC Resource Center, Inc.](#)**

This not-for-profit consulting group serves small businesses in the areas of procurement (including bid preparation, certification), management and marketing (including feasibility studies, marketing and business plans), and financial services (including letters of credit requests and loan packages).

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