

Let **SCORE** Help You
for the Life of Your Business

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Free and Confidential
Business Mentoring

Local Workshops

Online Expert
Resources



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“Talking with successful business people at SCORE helped build my confidence, but it also helped me look at challenges realistically. They help you understand what it takes to be a successful business owner. If you’re willing to commit yourself to starting a business, they’ll provide all the encouragement and assistance you need.”

TODD GRAVES, OWNER
RAISING CANE'S
RESTAURANT CHAIN



Free, Real-World Mentoring to Help Your Business Succeed

Small business success comes from a combination of hard work and risk taking in the pursuit of your dreams. You don't have to take those risks alone. SCORE can give you the support, encouragement and tools you need to build and sustain your business. And you can count on the highest-quality service available.

SCORE's more than 13,000 business experts provide you with free, ongoing mentoring, sharing real-world advice and know-how. Our mentors come from every business sector and have substantial skills. Some have worked as executives at Fortune 500 companies, while others were small business owners. SCORE provides:

- Free face-to-face advice with an experienced mentor to answer your business questions

- Access all 500 skill sets of SCORE's nationwide volunteer network
- Support tools and templates to help you reach your goals

Develop strong relationships for the life of your business with SCORE.

“I liked the idea of working with experienced executives who understand what small business is all about. They have a track record, but they had to start somewhere too.”

YOUNGSONG MARTIN, FOUNDER,
WILDFLOWER LINEN



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SCORE Workshops Help You Gain Useful Business Expertise

Each year, SCORE offers thousands of local business workshops across the country. These low-cost sessions focus on critical small business issues—from planning to funding to marketing and Web-based retailing.

Whether you are starting or growing your business, these workshops offer an added way to learn from the expertise and experience of seasoned business mentors. SCORE workshops provide valuable skills and convenient networking opportunities with other business professionals who can help you succeed.

SCORE Online Expert Resources

Millions of entrepreneurs just like you count on SCORE's web site—www.score.org—for a wide range of mentoring, business support and guidance.

Sharpen your business skills through SCORE's free **Online Workshops**. A wide array of topics cover everything from building a business plan and setting prices to developing competitor and market analysis.

With **Online Mentoring**, you can ask business mentors for advice—and get answers within 48

hours. It's so easy. Just enter a question, key words or choose a topic, then review the list of mentors and their areas of expertise, and submit questions to the mentor of your choice.

You'll also find hundreds of **online templates and tools** (in English and Spanish) with practical, proven tips on a variety of small business topics. There are templates for business plans, financial projections, marketing plans, funding sources and more. You'll also find specific information tailored to women, veterans, minorities and young entrepreneurs.

▶ CONTACT SCORE TODAY

Put SCORE's mentors, workshops and online resources to work for your business. Contact us now to meet with an experienced SCORE business mentor. Learn how SCORE can help your business succeed. To find the office nearest you, call SCORE toll-free at **1-800-634-0245**, or visit www.score.org and click on "**Find Your Local Chapter**." Or, ask your question anytime on our 24/7 online mentoring service.



“ [My SCORE Mentor] Pete Klyne used his skills to help me take my business to the next level.”

JACKIE GREEN, OWNER
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