

Starting a Business @ Your Local Library

In the library

- Quick Hint: Look in these call numbers in Non-fiction and Reference (for books and videos) and in Non-Fiction DVDs.
 - 338 Entrepreneurs
 - 338.6 Small Business
 - 658 Management

Selected Bibliography

Buying a business and making it work : a step-by-step guide to purchasing a business and making it successful: 658.162 Blayney

Deduct it! : lower your small business taxes: 343.73052 Fishman

The entrepreneur's information source book: 658.022 Awe

How to write a business plan: Reference 658.15224 McKeever

Legal forms for starting & running a small business: Reference 346.43065 Steingold

The small business start-up kit for California by Peri H. Pakroo: Reference 346.7940652 Pakroo

McCormack's Guide to Alameda County: Reference 917.9465 McCormack

Small time operator : how to start your own business, keep your books, pay your taxes and stay out of trouble! by Bernard B. Kamaroff: Reference 658.022 Kamaroff

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Or, for a more complete selection of E-Books, go to <http://www.ci.pleasanton.ca.us/services/library/>, click on Information resources, then click on Safari Tech Books, *OR* Downloadable Books, *OR* Netlibrary. Examples:

- How To Write A Business Plan
- Legal Forms For Starting & Running A Small Business
- Tax Savvy For Small Business

Magazines and Newspapers

- [Entrepreneur](#)
- [Inc.](#)

For other business magazines and newspapers, look in catalog under Subject Heading [Business Periodicals](#).

Library Databases

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- Click on [Information resources](#) (*Library card needed for remote access*)
- Click on [Access Electronic Resources](#)
 - [Gale Databases](#): You can search for magazine, journal, and newspapers articles on business subjects. There are three business databases: [Small Business Collection](#), [General Business File ASAP](#) and [Business and Company Resource Center](#).
 - [ReferenceUSA.com](#): You can find information on key executives, sales volume, number of employees and parent and subsidiary relationships for over 10 million U.S. companies.

Local Organizations

[Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce](#)
[Pleasanton Downtown Association](#)

Web Resources

- [Business Owner's Toolkit](#): Webinars, articles, networking, downloadable forms
- [Business Permits Made Simple: CALGOLD](#): From the State of California
- [Business Start-ups in Alameda County](#) – From the Alameda County Library
- [Business.gov](#): From the U.S. Small Business Administration: small business guides, state and local information, government forms, and more
- [California Small Business Assistance Center](#): Resources on starting, running, and closing a small business; tax information
- [Doing Business in Alameda County](#): From Alameda County
- [Doing Business in California](#): Tax information from the State of California
- [Doing Business in Pleasanton](#): From the City of Pleasanton
- [East Bay Small Business Development Center](#): Training and consulting
- [National Association for the Self-Employed](#): Advice, benefit package, advocacy, networking
- [Nolo Press](#): The publisher of self-help law books' web site. Business and human resources.

- [Northern California Small Business Financial Development Corporation](#): Provides financial resources for economically disadvantaged businesses.
- [Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Procedures for Starting a Business](#): from the Alameda County Library
- [Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center](#): Classes and workshops for small business owners and wannabes
- [Service Corps of Retired Executives \(SCORE\)](#): Workshops, counseling, and mentoring for entrepreneurs
- [Women's Initiative for Self-Employment](#): Training for women on starting and growing a business. Offices in Concord and Oakland.
- [Yahoo Small Business](#): includes [Getting Started](#), [Online Business](#), [Sales & Marketing](#), [Business Tools](#)