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BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION



CITY OF SEATTLE
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The **Beacon Hill Merchants Association** is a partner with the Seattle Office of Economic Development's Business Retention and Expansion Program. The mission of the partnership is to provide direct assistance to businesses to help them grow and compete. Benefits under this partnership include:

Business Loan Options

Businesses have access to equity and debt financing products, which are available through non-traditional and non-profit lending institutions to meet their specific financial needs.

Navigating Government

Businesses that are having a problem going through the standard city process to get assistance from city departments, can contact the **Beacon Hill Merchants Association** who have direct access to advocates within the Office of Economic Development and other City of Seattle departments to resolve issues.

No Cost Business Consulting

Businesses can receive one-on-one business consulting services at no cost to enhance their daily operations which include: assistance with business planning, strategic planning, marketing strategies, customer loyalty programs, cash flow, inventory cycle, budgeting, and much more.

Workforce Development

Businesses can receive assistance with identifying potential employees to fill open positions in their establishments.

Utility Savings

Businesses can receive assistance in reducing their utility bills through no cost audits that identify potential energy, water, and waste reductions savings. In addition, there is a no cost green business program that helps businesses efficiently address and reduce environmental impacts, and showcase their efforts to the community.

Construction Impact Assistance

Businesses can receive assistance to help reduce the impact construction projects have on their ability to conduct business.