

Craig Moffat Economic Development Partnership

What can CMEDP do to help my business?

The CMEDP has several ways it can support your business, but first it is helpful to understand what CMEDP is. CMEDP was formed over ten years ago to focus on helping diversify and strengthen the Craig and Moffat County economy. Our primary goals are to attract, grow, and retain diverse and base industries. We work in cooperation with the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT), Craig Chamber of Commerce (Chamber), the Moffat County Tourism Association (MCTA), SCORE, USDA Rural Development, and the Small Business Administration (SBA).

We offer the following services that may be of help to your business:

1. Access to incentives offered through the state of Colorado through OEDIT.
 - a. Enterprise Zone Tax Credits - direct tax credits for businesses
<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1167928191402&pagename=OEDIT%2FOEDITLayout>
 - b. Performance Incentive Fund (PIF) - payments for creating jobs
<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1167928017047&pagename=OEDIT%2FOEDITLayout>
 - c. Block grants to extend public infrastructure - grants direct to business
<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1167928016470&pagename=OEDIT%2FOEDITLayout>

2. Referrals to the USDA Rural Development, USDA RD services include:

- a. Grant Opportunities for rural, small businesses
Current Grants: Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
Value Added Agricultural Products

3. Referrals to SCORE services:

- a. Free business excellence and start-up counseling
- b. Referrals and information on access to capital
- c. Business plan development
- d. Feasibility and profitability projection assistance

4. Referrals to the SBA, Small Business Development Centers:

The Grand Junction SBDC has jurisdiction for our area. Assistance can be obtained by visiting the GJ office or by phone or by email.

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SBDC:

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/OEDIT/OEDIT/1162927366300>

5. Referrals to the Craig Chamber of Commerce, Chamber services include:

- a. Business support services for marketing & promoting your business
- b. Referrals for local professional services
- c. Customer leads for your business
- d. Business excellence services such as Bright Starts, etc.
- e. Visitors center operation including display of your promotional items

<http://www.craig-chamber.com/>

6. Referrals to the Moffat County Tourism Association, MCTA services include:

- a. Advertising and promotion of your business if tourism related
- b. Access to advertising dollar grants for tourism events
- c. Advocacy for tourism related businesses

7. Direct services CMEDP offers:

- a. Referrals to local professional business support resources such as attorneys, accountants, insurance agents, real estate agents, and lending institutions.
- b. Information gathering, for example, if you require statistical economic data for feasibility studies or market analysis.
- c. Assistance with fastracking the planning process if you require new construction.
- d. Management of possible local incentives for non-competing, diverse, primary industries.
- e. Business support education programs, seminars and workshops designed to improve the profitability of local businesses.
- f. Advocacy at the city, county and state level for local businesses.

City of Craig: <http://66.250.152.131/index.php>

Moffat County: <http://www.co.moffat.co.us/>

At this time CMEDP does not provide direct loans, grants or capital investment (eg. Angel Investment). Assistance for access to capital is accomplished through SCORE small business counseling services, SBA SBDC small business counseling or USDA Rural Development Grants.

**We look forward to working with you
to support your business.**