

VAN NESS



Thriving during construction.



The City of San Francisco recognizes the particular difficulties that arise for businesses during periods of construction and the challenge to maintain business as usual along our commercial corridors. Invest In Neighborhoods (IIN) is a division of the Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD). The IIN programs leverage partnerships between City agencies and non-profits to enhance and strengthen neighborhood commercial corridors around San Francisco. By working closely with businesses and the varied City agencies managing construction projects across San Francisco, Invest in Neighborhoods is committed to supporting you to strengthen your business, improve operations, and encourage foot traffic during construction.

Simple steps you can take.

Take advantage of the services provided by the San Francisco Small Business Development Center (SBDC). SBDC offers training and specialized one-on-one consulting, including in areas such as business strategy, marketing, financial management, capital sourcing, lease negotiation, procurement, and more. Visit sfsbdc.org or schedule an appointment by calling (415) 937-7232.

Sign-up for project updates and know what's happening and when by visiting sfmta.com/vanness.

Van Ness Directed Business Support Program

Announced! Applications for the Van Ness Directed Business Support program are now being accepted with a deadline to submit of October 31, 2020. More details and an application can be found at oewd.org/vanness.

Join the Van Ness Business Advisory Committee (BAC).

The committee meets monthly and provides recommendations on ways the City can support businesses during construction while providing a forum for businesses to resolve issues related to construction.

Stay engaged with all the services OEWD has to offer by exploring our website at www.oewd.org/neighborhoods. We're here to support you!

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The Office of Economic and Workforce Development (OEWD) supports San Francisco's ongoing economic vitality by strengthening its neighborhoods, businesses, commercial corridors, and workforce. We encourage you to take advantage of existing services and programs for businesses offered by Invest in Neighborhoods (IIN).

SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS PORTAL is the ultimate resource for running and growing a successful small business in the City. For a variety of resources and tools, visit businessportal.sfgov.org.

SMALL BUSINESS CONSULTING through the Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Small businesses can take advantage of the services provided through trainings and one-on-one consulting, including areas such as business strategy, marketing, financial management, capital sourcing, lease negotiation, and procurement etc. Visit sfsbdc.org or call (415) 937-7232 to schedule an appointment.

SMALL BUSINESS LOANS (various partners) between \$5,000 and \$1 million are available to entrepreneurs seeking to launch, expand, or stabilize their business.

ADA COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE helps businesses navigate and comply with local, state, and federal accessibility laws, including the Accessible Entrance Program and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

OPEN IN SF offers free permit and licensing services to people opening or expanding brick and mortar food-based businesses. For more information visit oewd.org/open.

SMALL BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT helps small businesses to navigate City processes, access vital City programs, and stay informed of issues that may affect them. For more information, visit www.oewd.org.

OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS is the door to City Hall for San Francisco small businesses. For help with permitting, licensing, and regulation, call (415) 554-6134, or email sfosb@sfgov.org. Assistance provided in multiple languages.



A LOOK AT THE VAN NESS PROJECT

Major upgrades are underway on Van Ness Avenue. This massive civic improvement project is bringing San Francisco its first Bus Rapid Transit system, a much-needed and globally-proven solution to improve transit service and address traffic congestion on Van Ness Avenue, a major north-south arterial.

To maximize the benefits during construction, the project also includes extensive utility maintenance, civic improvements, and safety enhancements that will revitalize this historic corridor

Construction is expected to last through 2021.

LEARN MORE

To learn more and sign-up for project updates, visit sfmta.com/vanness
(415) 646-2310 | VanNessBRT@SFMTA.com

COMMUNITY DROP-IN OFFICE HOURS

Due to the public health order, community drop-in office hours are temporarily suspended. However, project staff may be contacted directly by calling (415) 646-2310 or emailing VanNessBRT@SFMTA.com.

We've got your back.

To learn more about how to take advantage of City programs specifically geared toward supporting businesses, visit www.oewd.org/neighborhoods



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