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Figtree Financing
www.FigtreeFinancing.com
877.577.7373

Ygrene Energy Fund
www.CleanEnergyButte.com
877.819.4736

Details (CONTINUED)

GOVERNMENT

Butte County

25 County Center Drive, Suite 200, Oroville
Business Licenses: No business license is currently required.
Economic Development: 530.538.6182
Building Permits: 530.538.7601
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.538.5359
buttebusinessresources.com
chatcher@buttecounty.net

City of Biggs

3016 Sixth Street, Biggs
Business Licenses: 530.868.5493
Building Permits: 530.538.7601
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.868.5447
biggs-ca.gov
mark@biggs-ca.gov

City of Chico

411 Main Street, Chico
Business Licenses: 530.879.7320
Building Permits: 530.879.6700
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.879.6800
choosechico.com

City of Gridley

685 Kentucky Street, Gridley
Business Licenses: 530.846.5695
Building Permits: 530.846.3632
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.864.3631
gridley.ca.us

City of Oroville

1735 Montgomery Street, Oroville
Business Licenses: 530.538.2410
Building Permits: 530.538.2425
Development Review: 530.538.2430
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.538.2408
Business Services and Loans: 530.538.4307
cityoforoville.org
info@cityoforoville.org

Town of Paradise

5555 Skyway, Paradise
Business Licenses: 530.872.6291
Building Permits: 530.872.6291
Planning Applications and Forms, Zoning and Land Use: 530.872.6291
townofparadise.com

Butte County government and the five local jurisdictions within Butte County provide a variety of services to business and the community:

Business: Business location, permitting, licensing, referrals and assistance for business location, business expansion, and business retention

Community: Infrastructure improvements

Employment Development Department/Veterans/Business Services

78 Table Mountain Blvd, Oroville
Justin Offermann (Local Veterans Employment Representative)
530.749.4888
justin.offermann@edd.ca.gov

Business: Retraining and placement of veterans; adapting military training to civilian occupational requirements; workshops with veterans and employers; tax credit assistance for businesses hiring veterans; bonding of potential employees

USDA Rural Development

150-D Chuck Yeager Way #D, Oroville
530.533.4401
rd.usda.gov/ca

Business: Provides assistance to rural businesses working in partnership with other local economic development organizations

Community: Loans and loan guarantees, housing programs and infrastructure financing

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Butte County Smart Business Links

Connecting business to resources in Butte County



Explanation of Terms

Direct Business Services

Direct services to individual businesses

Business Expansion – Coordination and referrals provided to individual businesses seeking (may include site location, financial assistance, workforce training/recruitment, etc.).

Permitting – Permitting requirements and assistance.

Financing – Loan packaging, and related counseling.

HR Assistance – Hiring and training workers, navigating HR regulations, and labor-related data.

Counseling/Mentoring – One-on-one assistance for business owners/managers in such areas as marketing, business planning, international trade, etc.; may include referrals.

Workshops/Seminars – Professional development for management and employees on topics related to marketing, communications, management and other business-oriented topics.

B2B Networking – Opportunities for businesses to make contact with peers, suppliers, potential partners, etc., often in a social setting.

Advocacy/Ombudsman – Serving as a voice for an individual company, liaising with public or private entities with whom the business is less familiar.

Community Programs

Programs and services to benefit the business community

Data / Research – Market data, statistical profiles, labor data, data supporting R&D or commercialization.

Business Outreach – “Boots on the ground” contact programs to assess and address business concerns; may result in referrals for direct business services.

Infrastructure – Initiating physical improvements that contribute to business success (e.g., road improvements, high speed Internet, airport access and services).

Destination Management – Programs to promote tourism activity.

Sector Initiatives – Programs to promote or support specific industry groups, such as “buy local” campaigns, ag/food processing initiatives, tourism, innovation events.

There are multiple organizations in Butte County providing economic development assistance. These organizations collaborate to provide expertise to the diverse local business base.

Some organizations provide direct business assistance, such as financing, human resources, and business counseling, while others operate programs to help generate economic activity.



Quick View – By Service

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS				DIRECT BUSINESS SERVICES								SERVICE PROVIDER	
Data / Research	Business Outreach	Infrastructure	Destination Management	Sector Initiatives	Business Expansion	Permitting	Financing	HR Assistance	Counseling / Mentoring	Workshops / Seminars	B2B Networking		Advocacy / Ombudsman
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													City of Oroville
													Town of Paradise
													EDD/Veterans/Business Services
													US Department of Agriculture
ORGANIZATIONS / INSTITUTIONS													
													3CORE
													Alliance for Workforce Development Inc.
													Butte College Small Business Development Center
													Butte College, The Training Place
													Chico Chamber of Commerce
													Chico State – Center for Economic Development
													Chico State – Center for Entrepreneurship
													Chico State – Office of Research & Sponsored Programs
													Downtown Chico Business Association
													Gridley Chamber of Commerce
													North Valley Energy Watch
													Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce
													Oroville Downtown Business Association
													Oroville Economic Alliance
													Oroville Economic Development Corporation
													Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce
													SCORE Counselors to America's Small Business
													Valley Contractors Exchange
													Work Training Center

Details – By Organization

ORGANIZATIONS

3CORE

1430 East Avenue, Suite 4A, Chico
530.893.8732
3coreedc.org
phess@3coreedc.org

Business: Debt financing, gap financing, business mentoring, networking, CDFI, business incubation

Community: Infrastructure financing, food hub collaboration

Alliance for Workforce Development Inc.

78 Table Mountain Blvd., Oroville
530.879.2326
afwd.org
a.velazquez@ncen.org

Business: Job postings, employee recruitment assistance, including application/resume screening, human resources, training programs, job descriptions, workshops for employers/employees

Community: Job training programs, job placement assistance, job seeker workshops, youth employment opportunities, collaboration with other service providers

Butte College Small Business Development Center

2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico
530.895.9017
bcsbdc.org
konuwaso@butte.edu

Business: One-on-one business consulting and trainings to existing business owners and potential entrepreneurs in all areas of business management, expansion, growth, and development including financing, business & marketing plan, financial management, social media, strategic planning, business start-up

Butte College, The Training Place

2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico
530.895.9015
butte.edu/thetrainingplace
thetrainingplace@butte.edu

Business: Workforce coaching and training, customized training and online training for employers in areas of communication, customer service, Lean/Six Sigma, MS office and computer skills, management and supervisory skills, sales and social media

Chico Chamber of Commerce

441 Main Street, Suite 150, Chico
PO Box 3300, Chico
530.891.5556
chicochamber.com
katie@chicochamber.com

Business: Local and state advocacy, business outreach, education, special interest representation, destination management, retail collaboration with the Downtown Chico Business Association

Community: Visitor services, business referrals, city-wide event attraction and promotion.

Chico State – Center for Economic Development

35 Main Street, Suite 203, Chico
530.898.4598
cedcal.com
dripke@csuchico.edu

Business: Market area data and workshops (technology, online marketing, etc.)

Community: Retail leakage analysis, statistical profiles, broadband initiative

Chico State – Center for Entrepreneurship

Glenn Hall Room 221
530.898.4894
csuchico.edu/cob/students/beyond-classroom/center-for-entrepreneurship
pstrauss@csuchico.edu

Business: Student mentoring, competitions, accelerator fund to support emerging businesses and intellectual property development by students, as an arm of the College of Business

Chico State – Office of Research and Sponsored Programs

25 Main Street, Suite 103, Chico
530.898.5700
csuchico.edu/resp

Business: Access to faculty research and expertise

Downtown Chico Business Association

330 Salem Street, Chico
530.345.6500
downtownchico.com
melanie@downtownchico.com

Business: Advocacy and representation for downtown business community, business membership communication, support and education and production of annual promotional events in Downtown Chico

Community: Management of Downtown Business District

Gridley Chamber of Commerce

890 Hazel Street, Gridley
530.846.3142
info@gridleyareachamber.org

Business: Local and state advocacy, business outreach, education, special interest representation, destination management

Community: Visitor services, business referrals, city-wide event attraction and promotion

North Valley Energy Watch

525 Wall Street, Chico
530.892.9600
northvalleyenergywatch.org
nview@ncen.org

Business: Energy assessments, benchmarking for buildings, retrofitting, greenhouse emission inventories, and educational classes

Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce

1789 Montgomery St., Oroville
530.538.2542
orovillechamber.com
slinville@orovillechamber.com

Business: Local and state advocacy, business outreach, education, special interest representation, destination management, retail collaboration with the ODBA

Community: Visitor services, business referrals, city-wide event attraction and promotion

Oroville Downtown Business Association

PO Box 2458
530.5693.4877
downtownorovilleinfo@gmail.com

Business: Advocacy and representation for downtown business community, business membership communication, and production of annual promotional events in Downtown Oroville

Community: Management of Downtown Business District

Oroville Economic Alliance

1789 Montgomery Street, Oroville
530.533.2421
cabusinessoasis.org
michael@cabusinessoasis.org

Business: Coordination of available business resources, recruitment, site selection, International Trade development

Paradise Ridge Chamber of Commerce

5550 Skyway, Suite 1, Paradise
530.877.9356
paradisechamber.com
monica@paradisechamber.com

Business: Local and state advocacy, business outreach, education, special interest representation, and destination management

Community: Visitor services, business referrals, city-wide event attraction and promotion

SCORE Counselors to America's Small Business

1324 Mangrove Avenue #114, Chico
530.342.8932
greaterchicoarea.score.org
scorechico@sbcglobal.net

Business: Workshops and mentoring, tune-ups for existing businesses

Valley Contractors Exchange

951 E. 8th Street, Chico
530.343.1981
www.vceonline.com
info@vceonline.com

Business: Contractor referrals, contractor training (safety, regulations, green building, and construction skills), and construction and bidding resources

Work Training Center

Community Employment Services
2255 Fair Street, Chico
530.343.7994
www.wtcinc.org
@ewtc.org

Business: Employee placement, training and support of adults with developmental disabilities. Good matches include entry level positions in restaurants, landscaping, production work, janitorial services, recycling plants, document shredding, assembly and wood shops.

NOTE: **Business** = Direct services to individual businesses **Community** = Programs, services that benefit the business community