

Training and Mentoring Programs

Service Corp. of Retired Executives (SCORE)

Grand Rapids Chapter #642

111 Pearl Street NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: (616) 771-0305

Web site: www.grandrapids.org/score

- **SCORE Business Counseling**
SIT DOWN WITH, PHONE OR E-MAIL AN EXPERIENCED SCORE BUSINESS COUNSELOR. DISCUSS THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR BUSINESS PLAN OR ANY ASPECT OF YOUR BUSINESS. IDEAL FOR START-UP OR EXISTING SMALL BUSINESSES. SCORE Grand Rapids, Chapter 642, offers FREE face-to-face, telephone and e-mail business counseling Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until Noon at our office in the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce facility located at 111 Pearl Street NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Counseling appointments can be scheduled by calling (616) 771-0305.
- **SCORE Business Workshops**
"OVERVIEW FOR PLANNING AND STARTING YOUR BUSINESS"
SCORE Grand Rapids can provide the tools and knowledge you need to start or improve your own business. Check out our low-cost, high-value workshops. Take your first step and call us today!

Grand Rapids Opportunities for Women (GROW)

25 Sheldon SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: (616) 458-3404

Web site: www.growbusiness.org

GROW is...

a non-profit economic development organization which provides women - many of whom may face social, educational, or economic barriers - with opportunities to develop the skills and acquire the knowledge needed to achieve economic independence through self employment.

Focusing on small business, GROW provides the training and on-going counseling needed to start a business, plus several support services needed to sustain or expand a business.

GROW has 4 Program Components:

- 1. Small Business Readiness and Entrepreneurial Training
- 2. Business Support Services
- 3. Economic Literacy Training
- 4. Individual Development Accounts

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Michigan Small Business & Technology Development Center (MI-SBTDC)

Grand Valley State University

510 W. Fulton, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Phone: (616) 331-7480

Web site: www.misbtdc.org/region7

- These low cost training sessions, provided by both the MI-SBTDC and the U.S. SBA, will be of assistance to small businesses in any stage of development. The training sessions cover a broad range of topics: from starting a business, securing financing, writing a marketing plan, to obtaining patents and trademarks. Whether a company is in the new venture or existing stage, these training programs will provide the necessary knowledge to successfully grow a business.