



January Announcements

1. \$500,000 in grants for Tacoma small businesses

The <u>Small Business Restoration</u> application is open for Tacoma-area small businesses. Limit of one grant per business owner. You may apply for one of the two grants:

- **Property Damage Repair (up to \$3,000):** You are eligible if your storefront suffered damage after January 1, 2022.
- Market Enhancement (up to \$20,000): You are eligible if your physical business needs support to open or keep open. These changes should increase market share or tenant improvement. Examples include safety upgrades, adding curbside seating, etc.

You can find the <u>online application here</u>. The top left corner of the page can *translate the application into Khmer.*

Please reach out to our team at annika.prom@caccwa.org or (425) 248-8568 to see if your business is eligible or if you need help applying. We can provide technical support to you in English and Khmer. **Applications due February 2** at 11:59 pm.

2. Write your business plan

A business plan can help you build ideas, plan your finances, and understand the market. The <u>Centro Business Planning Tool</u> is an app that you can download on your phone. It takes you step by step through making a business plan.

The app also offers business resources and an interest-free loan application. Centro is a partner organization that is part of the Small Business Resiliency Program with CACCWA.

The pictures below show what the app looks like.

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3. Apply for your UEI number

Businesses and non-profit organizations can apply for a UEI (Unique Entity Identifier). Your business will need this number if you receive federal grants or loans. This process is free, takes a few minutes, and can be completed <u>online here</u>. Our team can set up an online meeting with you to help you apply.

The Washington PTAC has an online tutorial about applying for a UEI.



For technical assistance or other business-related support, please email us at annika.prom@caccwa.org or call at (206) 886-6813. We can help you with the Tacoma grant application and the UEI application.



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