

OFFICE OF BUSINESS ADVOCACY

You've been in business for a few years and most days it is business as usual, but not today. Today you've decided to expand your facility; find a new site; are caught up in state bureaucracy obtaining a permit; need talent; received a letter from a State Agency and don't understand what it means; or are trying to determine how to comply with new laws. It's time to contact the New Jersey Office of Business Advocacy, part of the NJ Business Action Center (NJBAC) under the NJ Department of State.

THE FACTS

PERSONAL SERVICE

Advocates work **one-on-one with businesses of all sizes**, providing on-site individual support to help you grow.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

We can connect you to **municipal officials, potential buyers and other resources** because of our years of expertise.

INDUSTRY SPECIFIC

Our team members know New Jersey's many industries and what makes each unique, **providing you customized solutions.**









WHAT IS THE NJBAC?

We are a business-first resource that can help you get answers from government agencies, direct you to appropriate officials or contacts, facilitate meetings and follow-ups with regulatory agencies and so much more, all at no cost and strictly confidential.

Whether you are an entrepreneur, own a business on "Main Street," are located on a corporate campus, or are interested in expanding your products and services through export, we're here for you. We are a business advocacy team within the Department of State, dedicated to solving problems and maximizing growth opportunities.



SO HOW CAN WE HELP?

Our advocates support business growth in many ways, including:

GET ANSWERS	We assist companies of all sizes by getting answers from government agencies, directing businesses to appropriate officials and contacts, and facilitating meetings and follow-ups from regulatory agencies.
CUSTOM SUPPORT	We assess your individual situation and actively work with state agencies and departments, such as the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Community Affairs and the New Jersey Department of Transportation, to formulate solutions.
LOCATION, LOCATION	We can help you with your real estate site searches so you find the right location for your next move.
WORKFORCE TRAINING & GRANTS	We can help you find workforce recruitment and training grants to help you recruit the best staff or train new and current employees.
WHAT'S AVAILABLE?	The Advocates also work in partnership with state agencies to identify assistance programs. If there's a government program that will save you time, provide a financing alternative or support the innovation you seek, we will find it.
GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS	When it comes to procurement regulations and government contracts, we offer a variety of resources to help small companies take advantage of these important opportunities.
REAL PEOPLE	Our Business Helpline staff can be reached by calling 1-800–JERSEY-7 every weekday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

NJBAC TECHNICAL GUIDANCE & ASSISTANCE:

Our team is able to assist you with the following:

- Local Government zoning & planning department land use approvals
- Local Government requirements for water, sewer, fire, plumbing, electrical & heating
- Local Government open space, recreational, public access fees & their requirements
- State Government permits & approvals required by DEP, DCA, DOT, LWD, DOH Meadowlands, Pinelands, Historic Preservation, Threaten & Endangered, Brownfields, Wastewater, SRP & State Planning Commission
- Chain of Title issues regarding DEP Site Remediation Program
- Innocent purchaser agreements, environmental insurance, environmental justice & natural resource damages issues.

NJBAC is a well-rounded group of advocacy professionals that can provide a wealth of information to assist any industrial or commercial real estate decision.

