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Grants (For Profit Businesses): (Last update April 2018)

Local

RISE Financial Pathways's Individual Development Account (IDA) (County of Los Angeles)—

Up to \$2,500. For every dollar participants save, they receive a \$2.50 in matching funds which would give them up to \$3,500 at the end of the program year. Can be used to finance business. Also comes with financial training classes. Annual earnings must not exceed 200-percent of the poverty guidelines as published by the United States Department of Health. More info in the website.

Website: <https://risefinancial.wordpress.com/business-loans/2500-grant/>

GOOD Maker (Los Angeles area)— Cash prizes varies from \$5,000 to \$100K. Hosts various contests for for-profit business, non-profit business and governmental organizations.

Website: <http://maker.good.is>

National

General

SCORE's American Small Business Championship and SCORE Awards—Up to \$15,000. To

enter, answer the question, "What makes your business one of the best small businesses in your community?" through a video of 30-60 seconds, or with a photo and written response of 1,000 characters or less. You will also need to get at least 100 votes for your entry to be eligible to win.

Website: <https://championship.score.org>

FedEx Small Business Grant Contest—Up to \$25,000. For any business that's been operating at least 6-months.

Website: <https://smallbusiness.fedex.com/grant-contest.html>

National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE) Growth Grants—up to \$4,000, Be a NASE member. Business Plan and Resume. How money is going to be used.

Website: https://www.nase.org/Membership/Benefits/Growth_Grants.aspx

The Zach Grant—\$2,500, Fundera will award \$2,500 for the best video entry every year. The grant will be awarded in check form, made payable directly to the business.*

Website: <https://www.fundera.com/resources/zach-grant>

Small Business Cash Grant from IdeaCafe Grants—\$1,000, plus advertising credits. For anyone who currently owns a business or is planning to start one.

Website: http://www.businessownersideacafe.com/small_business_grants/index.php

Food

Marriott Canvas—Up to \$50,000. Marriott will provide up to \$50K investment to the chosen aspiring restaurateur by form of capital, space, and advice. Check out their FAQs for further inquiry:

<http://www.canvas-startup.com/us/faq>

Website: <http://www.canvas-startup.com/>

Women

The Amber Grants for Women—Up to \$2,500. For Women only. Every month \$500 award is given out to monthly winner. Additional \$2,000 will be granted to one of 12-monthly winners.

Website: <https://ambergrantsforwomen.com/get-an-amber-grant/>

Girlboss Foundation by Nasty Gal—\$15,000 plus exposure through the #Girlboss and Nasty Gal social channels as well as local/regional press. Focus: design, fashion, music, and the arts.

Website: <http://www.girlboss.com/foundation/>

EILEEN FISHER Women-Owned Business Grant Program—Up to 10 grants recipients (minimum grant \$10,000). Majority women-owned and women-led (majority defined as minimum 51%). In operation for a minimum of three years at time of application and able to provide accompanying financials. Revenues not exceeding \$1 million in year prior to application. Business founded on creating environmental and social change

Website: <http://www.eileenfisher.com/grants/grants-overview/>

Career Development Grants—Not a business grant, but a grant for women with bachelor's degree and are preparing to advance or change careers or reenter the workforce. Primary consideration is given to women of color and women pursuing their first advanced degree or credentials in nontraditional fields.

Website: <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/career-development-grants/> or <http://bit.ly/1LlfPLE>

The Halstead Grant—Up to 7,500 in cash, plus a \$1,000 gift certificate to Halstead, and a variety of social media and public relations spotlights—as well as a trip to Arizona. For women business owners who make and sell jewelry full time career. US jewelers who have recently launched independent metal jewelry lines with the intention of selling to a national audience.

Website: <http://www.halsteadbead.com/Grant/>

Open Meadows Foundation—Up to \$2,000. Though the grant seems to be designed for non-profits, the website does not list organizations they can't fund, other than listed on criteria.

Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/openmeadowsfoundation/>

For-profit Social enterprises

Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants— Up to \$60,000. Small grants to support the planning stages of innovative projects that promise to benefit the humanities.

Website: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/odh/digital-humanities-start-grants>

Technology

Comcast's Innovations 4 Entrepreneurs—Regional prize \$10,000. Grand prize \$30,000, plus a trip to Comcast headquarters in Philadelphia. Open to non-franchised business, 50 or few employees, both startup and established businesses are eligible. More about eligibility:

Website: <http://cbcommunity.comcast.com/i4e>

Battle of the Apps by Infusionsoft –\$1,250 to \$30,000. For Mobile-apps.

Website: <http://infusionsoft.devpost.com/>

Grants aggregation sites

*These sites aggregate grant information from various sources (Federal, state, non-profit, private, etc...)

Startup Compete—Aggregates business competitions from around the world, including US.

Website: <https://startupcompete.co/competitions.php>

Lesko.com—Aggregates various grants from federal and state governments. (Paid-source)

Website: <http://lesko.com/>

WomanOwned – Aggregates grants for woman-owned for-profit and non-profit organizations. (Paid-source)

Website: <http://www.womanowned.com/features/grants-and-funding.aspx>

GrantWatch.com—Aggregates various grants from federal and state governments. (Mostly for nonprofits, but occasional grants for for-profit businesses.) (Paid-source)

Website: <https://california.grantwatch.com/>

Grant Writing Assistance

QB3 Startup in a Box—Helps with grant application for SBIR program to entrepreneurs in scientific field.

Website: <http://qb3.org/>