

Great Lakes Entrepreneur's Quest – Michigan Resource List – Southeast Region

1. **The Michigan Small Business & Technology Development CenterSM** network provides a full range of services for a variety of small businesses that are emerging and growing throughout Michigan -- new venture companies, existing small businesses, expanding businesses, new technology companies, and innovators. The MI-SBTDC is known throughout Michigan for its quality counsel, training and market research capabilities. All services are available at low-or no-cost because of the financial support of the Small Business Administration and local partners in each region.

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2. **SCORE®** is a nationwide organization of active and retired business men and women who volunteer their services to assist small businesses and entrepreneurs. SCORE® provides free business counseling and offers low-cost workshops on a variety of business topics

Ann Arbor

SCORE Chapter #655

Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce

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3. **The Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti SmartZone – SPARK** - concentrates its efforts on growing small companies that are established and/or currently exist in the community. While remaining open to new technologies, the SmartZone focuses its efforts on industries with high potential for utilizing two or more of the area's historic competencies, which include: advanced manufacturing, alternative energies, information technology, small technology, life sciences and wireless technology. The SmartZone is also home to a Business Accelerator, run by the [Ann Arbor IT Zone](#).

This SmartZone is supported by the Cities of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, in partnership with the Ann Arbor IT Zone, the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University and the Washtenaw Development Council, the area's economic development engine.

www.wdc-econdev.com/smartzone.html

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4. **The Inventors' Council of Mid-Michigan** is a Non-Profit Organization formed to help inventors pursue their dreams of bringing new and innovative products to market. Our goal is to help fellow inventors succeed in the most efficient and least costly manner possible by providing education and business networking.

Inventors Council of Mid-Michigan

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