#### Additional Resources:

Evaluating Your Skills to Start a Business

- The SBA's Entrepreneurship Readiness Assessment <a href="https://www.sba.gov/media/training/encore\_09012016/story\_content/external\_files/Readiness%20Assessment.pdf">https://www.sba.gov/media/training/encore\_09012016/story\_content/external\_files/Readiness%20Assessment.pdf</a>
- Michigan Small Business Development Council's SELF ASSESSMENT: Are You Ready To Be In Business? <a href="https://sbdcmichigan.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Steps-to-Starting-a-Small-Business-.pdf">https://sbdcmichigan.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Steps-to-Starting-a-Small-Business-.pdf</a>
- Business Tools | Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network: Do you have what it takes to succeed in business? https://www.msbdc.org/succeed.html

# Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network

• CHECKLIST FOR STARTING A BUSINESS *Overview of major steps critical to planning and starting a business* https://www.msbdc.org/pdf/checklist.pdf

## AARP Work and Jobs Small Business - https://www.aarp.org/work/small-business

• Webinars on starting a business and becoming an entrepreneur

SBA's FREE self-paced online training for tips and resources: "Encore Entrepreneurs: An Introduction to Starting Your Own Business" <a href="https://www.sba.gov/course/encore-entrepreneurs-introduction-starting-your-own-business">https://www.sba.gov/course/encore-entrepreneurs-introduction-starting-your-own-business</a>

- This course is designed for individuals planning to start a business after earlier career endeavors. Takes about 30 minutes.
- Checklist for Encore Entrepreneur: An Introduction to Starting Your Own Business <a href="https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2018-02/Encore\_Entrepreneur\_Checklist.pdf">https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2018-02/Encore\_Entrepreneur\_Checklist.pdf</a>
  Small Business Administration's Small Business Tools Website <a href="https://www.sba.gov/tools">https://www.sba.gov/tools</a>

### Support for Women-Owned Businesses:

- <a href="https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/women-owned-businesses">https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/women-owned-businesses</a> Support for LGBT-Owned Businesses:
- <a href="https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/lgbt-owned-businesses">https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/lgbt-owned-businesses</a> Support for Native American-Owned Businesses:
  - https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/native-american-owned-businesses

### Support for Veteran-Owned Businesses:

• https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/grow-your-business/veteran-owned-businesses

### National Association of the Self-Employed

- https://www.nase.org
- Benefits available for health and dental insurance etc.

#### SourceLink

- https://www.joinsourcelink.com/
- "At SourceLink®, we understand that developing a truly effective entrepreneurial ecosystem requires an expertly tailored mix of technology, community engagement, and

measurement. Since our launch in 2003, we have helped over 100 communities develop their own unique recipe from SourceLink base components and consulting services to identify and connect entrepreneurial resources, engaging them and their constituent entrepreneurs in a process of continuous improvement to drive desired economic impact. Over time, we have built a successful roadmap that communities of all sizes have put to successful use."