



## If you have questions, we still have answers.

The Nevada Business Environmental Program ([BEP](#)) at the University of Nevada, Reno remains open and staffed with a statewide team to provide free and confidential business advisory services to Nevada businesses.

If you have any environmental or energy questions or concerns, do not hesitate to get in touch with us. While the COVID-19 emergency may have us primarily working remotely we are staffed as always from 8am - 5pm, Monday through Friday.

Our toll-free hotline is still taking calls and we are promptly answering all emails. We are also available to communicate via calls, photos, and online video meetings.

Hotline: (800) 882-3233 Email: [help@unrbep.org](mailto:help@unrbep.org)

[Visit our BEP website.](#)

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## News & Updates

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### New Tool to Help Small Businesses Find COVID-19 Resources

Confused about where to find up-to-date information to help your small business cope with COVID-19? Funded by the CARES Act and the Small Business Administration, the new website, [covid-sb.org](https://covid-sb.org), consolidates the most reliable federal resources for small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Highlights of the website include the [local assistance tool](#), which connects users with a vast network of business advisors who can provide tailored support and training on federal and local resources. The website also offers information about financial assistance, such as Paycheck Protection Program loan forgiveness, SBA funding options, and farm loans.

The website was Created by [America's SBDC](#) and [Association of Women's Business Centers](#).

Nevada SBDC's [Business Resiliency Resources](#) provide helpful information and counselors at the [Nevada Small Business Development Center](#) are available to assist you. Call (800) 240-7094 for more information.

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## ***Upcoming Webinars and Trainings***

### **BEP Hazardous Waste Virtual Training**

Back by Popular Demand

Due to the high demand for our Hazardous Waste training, we will be offering an additional virtual training session on January 13, 2021, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm PT. Please save the date and plan to attend if you were not able to attend one of the sessions we offered in November or December. We will be sending out registration details soon.

The three hour training for waste generators will cover hazardous waste management and present information to help you maintain compliance in Nevada. We will also be highlighting some of Nevada's updated hazardous waste regulations. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the BEP team to obtain hazardous waste knowledge for your organization.

Have questions about the training? Email Liz Futch at [efutch@unr.edu](mailto:efutch@unr.edu).

### **Upcoming Nevada SBDC Webinar**

How to Sell your Product on the "Shop Made in Nevada" Website

Date: December 15, 2020

Time: 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PST)

Fee: No Fee

Format: Webinar

Registration: [Sign Up](#)

Join the Nevada SBDC for the "Shop Made in Nevada" e-commerce training with the Shop Where I Live team. You'll learn how to register to sell, how to upload and maintain your products, and other technical aspects of this e-commerce based [website](#). Please Note: You must be a current Made in Nevada member to join "Shop Nevada." For membership information, please contact Brad Scribner at [bscribner@unr.edu](mailto:bscribner@unr.edu) or 775-784-4748.

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## ***Environmental News***

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### **EPA Seeks Small Businesses to Participate on Carbon Tetrachloride and Trichloroethylene Panels**

Deadline for self-nominations is December 14, 2020

The U.S. EPA is inviting small businesses, governments and not-for-profits to participate as a Small Entity Representative (SER) to provide advice and recommendations to Small Business Advocacy Review Panels for carbon tetrachloride and trichloroethylene (TCE). The panels will focus on the agency's development of proposed rules to address unreasonable risks identified in EPA's recently completed final risk evaluations for carbon tetrachloride and TCE.

Carbon tetrachloride is used in commercial settings as a raw material for producing other chemicals like refrigerants, chlorinated compounds, and agricultural products. Carbon tetrachloride is not currently used as a direct reactant or additive in the formulation of consumer products.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and nominate your business to the **Carbon Tetrachloride SBAR Panel**.

Common commercial uses of TCE are as a solvent in industrial cleaning/degreasing, an ingredient in adhesives and sealants, in paints and coatings, and in automotive care products like brake cleaners. Consumer uses include cleaning and furniture care products, arts and crafts spray coatings, and automotive care products like brake cleaners, and other consumer products.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and nominate your business to the **Trichloroethylene SBAR Panel**. EPA is also holding a [webinar](#) on December 15th to discuss the TSCA risk management process and the findings in the final risk evaluation for TCE.

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## ***Funding Opportunities***

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### **Clark County Small Business Stabilization Grant Round 3 Funds Are Available**

The [Clark County Small Business Stabilization Grant - Round 3](#) is open and accepting applications. The grant funds are for businesses operating within unincorporated Clark County to be used for working capital (rent, utilities, payroll, license fees, etc). Please be aware that eligibility requirements have been updated so read the materials carefully.

For more information, [CLICK HERE](#). Applications will be accepted December 1 - December 22, 2020 or until they reach 2000 applications through the online ZoomGrants portal.

### **\$400 Wood Stove Rebates Still Available for Homeowners in Nevada's Tahoe Basin**

If you live in the Tahoe Basin portion of Douglas County or Washoe County, you may be eligible to receive a rebate of \$400 to change-out your old pre-1992 wood stove for a new wood stove, pellet stove, or gas stove. New stoves are cleaner burning, which helps our local air quality. New stoves are also more efficient and use less wood so you can save money each winter on heating your house.

Act quickly! Only a few rebates remain and they are available on a first come, first served basis until funds run out.

To learn more about the program and participating wood stove retailers, [CLICK HERE](#).

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**Free & Confidential Environmental Assistance**  
**We look forward to hearing from you.**



***Stay Safe to Stay Open Nevada  
Wear a Mask!***

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