

Community Focus Statement B: Encourage commercial and light industrial uses in Phelan Piñon Hills.

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Action Statement B.3: Promote the CalGOLD and San Bernardino County Economic Development Agency (EDA) websites to local business for the latest information and assistance on business incentives, permit assistance, and training programs.

Benchmark: Quarterly report for submittal to the County EDA to ensure all available properties are advertised.

Champion: Volunteer group or person or can be identified by the community

Estimated Cost: Volunteer time.



CalGOLD offers permitting assistance and advice through its website.

opportunities to obtain loans through the US Small Business Administration (SBA) or other entities, there are also opportunities for communities to assist their small business owners.

The SBA provides both small businesses loans and a microloan program to assist small businesses once they meet certain requirements. The Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce can also serve as a source of information and connection for local businesses to other outside resources, including those provided by CalGOLD and the San Bernardino Economic Development Agency (EDA). CalGOLD is a state resource that assists business owners with obtaining the appropriate permit information and contact information on who to speak with regarding issues. The San Bernardino EDA also offers a number of programs and incentives (listed under “Local Business”) on its website for local business owners to access. Local business owners or the Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce can work to find a way to centralize this information and make it readily available and well-known.

Gaining access to capital can be one of the main barriers to small businesses when considering making capital improvements or improving operations, which are two common methods for improving an existing business in an attempt to raise sales or rebrand. While there are various federal, state, and local government



Action	Action Leader	Timeline	Resources
1. Designate a person from each Chamber of Commerce to serve as a permitting resource for local business owners.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	Month 1	Phelan Chamber of Commerce http://www.phelanchamber.info/
2. Research CalGOLD and County EDA programs to compile a list of available resources. Contact the County EDA to identify the information required for County EDA lists.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	Month 2	Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce https://www.facebook.com/Piñon-Hills-Chamber-of-Commerce-142718772459648/
3. Develop a simple application for property owners to fill out that describes any available local sites they wish to advertise. Include the information the County EDA requires.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	Months 3 – 4	San Bernardino County Economic Development Agency http://www.sbcountyadvantage.com/home.aspx
4. Promote the availability of these resources on Chamber website and through mail/email correspondence and local community meetings.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	On-going	CalGOLD http://www.calgold.ca.gov/
5. Schedule quarterly conference calls between the chamber liaison and a County EDA representative to discuss the local business climate.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	On-going	US Small Business Administration https://www.sba.gov/loans-grants/see-what-sba-offers/sba-loan-programs
6. Have the designated person draft a formal report quarterly for submittal to the County EDA to ensure all available properties are advertised.	Champion with Phelan and Piñon Hills Chambers of Commerce	On-going	