

Ready to start or expand your business but don't have everything you need?  
Let WNCC's tools, services, and partners help turn your vision into reality!

The WNCC Linkubator

The Western Nebraska Community College Linkubator provides entrepreneurial development and education to grow and diversify western Nebraska businesses. The Linkubator connects businesses with a wide array of services and resources orchestrated to help entrepreneurs grow their vision. Participants can use conference and training classrooms for free and enjoy free classes and workshops focused on the success of the business and its employees. Businesses who don't need office space can still take advantage of all the services and resources provided through WNCC's "virtual" Linkubator.

Services

- Offices (24/7 access, furniture)
- Conference & training rooms
- Equipment (phone, computer, Internet, copier, scanner, fax)
- Coaching
- Mentoring
- Financial assistance (accounting, lending, taxes, insurance)
- Legal assistance (establishing a business entity, contracts, agreements, leases, patents)
- Facility services (utilities, security, janitorial, snow removal)
- Networking
- Training workshops (social media, Quickbooks, teamwork, business skills, professional development, entrepreneurship, e-commerce, marketing, etc.)

"The Linkubator at WNCC is a great opportunity to help those looking to create or enhance their vision in the business world. It is fascinating to listen to passions and plans and to watch those develop. The Linkubator is a fantastic resource in our community that is the start of many excellent success stories."

-Steve Olsen, Simmons Olsen Law Firm



"The college is such a resource-rich environment to aid and enhance positive outcomes. It's a great environment for learning, sharing, growing, and belonging . . . to become who you want to be."

-Juanita Rodriguez, founder of Addiction Counseling and Consultation Services

"This has been a great venture so far, and it's steadily growing on both sides; security and investigations. I'm honored to be a part of the Linkubator program and for all of the help. Thank you WNCC for the assistance and the time spent making us a success."

-Lanny Hanks, owner of Hanks Investigations and Security



Tools

- BIZWorth
- Gallup Entrepreneur Acceleration System Program
- Gallup StrengthsFinder
- Gallup Entrepreneurial StrengthsFinder
- Growth Wheel
- Worker Training Grants

Partners

- AIM Institute
- Bella Minds
- Business and Professional Women
- Creighton University
- Gallup, Inc.
- GROW Nebraska
- LB840 Committee
- National Association of Community College Entrepreneurship
- National Business Incubator Association
- Nebraska Business Development Center
- Nebraska Department of Economic Development
- Nebraska Entrepreneur Task Force
- Nebraska Small Business Administration
- NEXT Young Professionals
- Platte Valley Human Resources Association
- Rural Enterprise Assistance Project
- SCORE, Inc.
- Scottsbluff DECA
- Scottsbluff/Gering United Chamber of Commerce
- Scottsbluff Masterminds
- University of Nebraska Law Clinic
- USDA
- WNCC Faculty

## Linkubator Resource Team

This highly respected group of business professionals review applications to the Linkubator, assist in the interview process for potential program participants, and provide expertise relevant to business development.

- Ingrid Battershell, Nebraska Business Development Center
- Chelsie Herian, Box Butte Development Corporation
- Tony Kaufman, Platte Valley Companies
- Jane Kelley, Business Division Faculty, WNCC
- Megan McGown, City of Sidney
- Steve Olsen, Simmons Olsen Law Firm
- John Stinner Sr., Valley Bank and Trust, Co.
- Jerry Terwilliger, Rural Enterprise Assistance Project

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"An innovator turns an idea into a product. An entrepreneur turns an idea into a customer."



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