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Free Business Advising through Cook County Source

The Cook County Small Business Source contains a network of industry professionals who volunteer their time to advise local businesses. Whether you need to refresh your brand identity, polish up your marketing strategy, or prepare for tax season, the Cook County Source can help connect you with someone to help. Are you an experienced entrepreneur looking to give back to the community? You can apply to become a mentor as well!



Learn more on [Cook County Source's business advising page.](#)

Apprenticeship Resources Available through Illinois workNet

Illinois workNet does more than connect jobseekers with employment opportunities - they also offer employers a wide variety of resources, including support for businesses interested in starting apprenticeship programs. Illinois workNet has specialists available to help you learn more about the process of hiring apprenticeships, tax credits you may qualify for, and other programs that can assist your business growth and expansion.



Learn more on [Illinois workNet's Apprenticeships page.](#)

Upcoming Webinar: Go Global with SBA

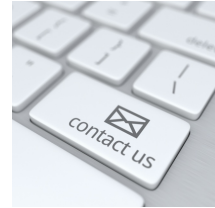
The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is hosting a virtual event for small business owners with a global vision. This webinar will focus on helping your business expand overseas and start selling your product or service internationally. Program experts will be available to explain how the SBA can help you secure the funding you need for expansion and answer any questions you may have.



This free, online event will take place on Monday, May 19, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Registration is required. To sign up for this webinar, visit [the SBA's events page.](#)

Contact The Village with Any Questions!

If you have any questions about programs or resources for Arlington Heights businesses, or need any additional assistance from the Village, please contact Michael Mertes, Business Development Manager, at 847-368-5220 or at mmertes@vah.com.



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