



SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The Budget fosters economic growth and opportunity for America's small businesses through tax cuts, deregulation, and responsible, targeted support. The Budget puts America's small businesses first, increasing access to capital, including for small manufacturers.

The Budget requests \$329 million in discretionary budget authority for the Small Business Administration (SBA) for 2027, a \$671 million or 67-percent decrease from the 2026 enacted level.

THE PRESIDENT'S 2027 BUDGET:

Program Cuts and Eliminations

- **Entrepreneurial Development Programs (-\$309 million).** The Budget eliminates a number of SBA programs that waste taxpayer dollars on failed business counseling and training programs. The Budget maintains \$21.4 million to support veterans.
 - The Budget eliminates the Service Corps of Retired Executives, known as SCORE, which in 2023 posted "Six Ways to Support LGBTQIA-Owned Businesses" and provided resources based on race.
 - The Budget eliminates the Community Navigator Pilot Program, a \$100 million grant program for "trusted, culturally knowledgeable" organizations, which provide resources based on race and gender. The SBA Inspector General found SBA did not adequately measure and monitor the program, and overstated performance.
- **Salaries and Expenses (S&E) (-\$170 million).** The Budget provides \$260 million for SBA's S&E, which grew 34 percent under the Biden Administration. This rightsized S&E request reflects a reduction in staffing costs associated with eliminating unnecessary programs and eliminating earmarks.
- **Business Loan Programs Administrative Expenses (-\$158 million).** The Budget proposes an administrative fee on lenders participating in SBA's guaranteed business lending programs. The fee addresses the long-standing imbalance of taxpayers covering the cost of administering these business lending programs, which offer loan guarantees that reduce the financial risk to participating lenders. 🦋

