



# Calvert County NEWS

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### **Business Resource Center Now Available at Calvert Library's Southern Branch**

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – May 30, 2014** – The Calvert County, Md., Department of Economic Development, through the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), is pleased to partner once again with the Small Business & Technology Development Center (SBTDC) and the Calvert Library to offer a self-guided business resource center for public use at the southern branch library.

A similar reference center was established at the Prince Frederick library in 2007 and has become a great resource for the business community. Featuring assorted reference materials, the business resource center provides local entrepreneurs with a wealth of information that can answer questions on marketing, writing business proposals, incorporating, taxes and more. Unique to the southern branch business resource center is a collection of step-by-step start-up guides developed by *Entrepreneur Magazine* and provided courtesy of the SBTDC. The guides include industry-specific steps to help entrepreneurs through the first three years of business. All information is supported with worksheets, checklists, calculators and resource kits.

Kelly Robertson-Slagle, business retention specialist for the Department of Economic Development, says, "We are pleased to offer yet another tool that entrepreneurs can use to start, grow or manage their businesses. We envision the business resource center as a supplement to the valuable counseling and training provided by SBTDC counselors. It provides a way for people to conduct their own research or find answers that they can then discuss with a small-business professional."

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Carrie Plymire, director of the Calvert Library, said, "Our reference staff receives a lot of business start-up and management questions since many people naturally come to the library for information. The reference materials provided through this project serve the public well and answer the majority of the questions they have about business. I think we've done a good job providing a range of materials the public will find useful."

The SBTDC offers confidential, no-cost counseling and low-cost training and resources to new ventures and existing businesses in Southern Maryland with counselors available in Prince Frederick four days a week. For more information, visit online at [www.sbdchelp.com](http://www.sbdchelp.com) or call 301-934-7583.

The Calvert Library consists of a main library in Prince Frederick and three branches in Owings, Solomons and Chesapeake Beach. The southern branch is located at 13920 H.G. Trueman Road and is open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, noon to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 410-535-0291 or visit online at [calvert.lib.md.us](http://calvert.lib.md.us).

For more information about the Calvert County Department of Economic Development, our visitor sites and attractions and the services available to assist county businesses, call 410-535-4583 or 301-855-1880; send an e-mail to [info@ecalvert.com](mailto:info@ecalvert.com); or visit online at [www.ecalvert.com](http://www.ecalvert.com).

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