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## **El Camino College SBDC Teams with the City of Carson**

The El Camino College Small Business Development Center (SBDC) recently teamed with the City of Carson and received a \$25,000 contract to provide “on-site” technical and business management consultation and small business certification training to the Carson business community through 2008.

Services will be provided through the SBDC Small Business Mentor Protégé Program; a similar program was implemented in the City of Compton starting in Fall 2007.

The SBDC is a federally funded program, one of 10 initiative programs in the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office/Economic and Workforce Development Program (CCCCO/EWDP).

Outreach to the cities served by the El Camino College SBDC is an integral part of the program – area Economic Development Managers know and understand the importance of supporting and increasing the pool of businesses in their respective cities.

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