

## The SCORE Difference

SCORE Chapter 2 counseling provides you with the expert advice and recommendations needed to start and succeed in your small business.

As a SCORE Chapter 2 counseling client, you will experience “the SCORE difference” – advice from working & retired business owners and executives with extensive business experience, provided free of charge. Our counselors bring a broad range of experiences and expertise, including:

Accounting ■ Advertising ■ Finance  
Marketing ■ Sales ■ Human Resources  
Operations ■ Business Management  
Retail ■ Banking ■ Health Care Services  
Manufacturing Engineering ■ Hospitality

You can request a counselor in the specific business disciplines and industry backgrounds that meet your needs. Your initial counseling session will range from one to two hours, with possible follow-up counseling, if desired.

Many clients continue with SCORE counseling until they are able to operate independently. Some clients may delay their start-up plans until risks are clearly defined and their business niche is firmly identified. For clients with ongoing counseling needs, Advisory Teams may be formed to provide scheduled sessions for 12 or more months to ensure success.

**For more info: (952) 938-4570**  
**[www.scorempls.org](http://www.scorempls.org)**

## About SCORE & Chapter 2

Formed in 1964, SCORE is a nonprofit organization that works with the U.S. Small Business Administration. We provide a public service by offering small business advice and training.

Minneapolis Chapter 2 of SCORE has over 100 active volunteer counselors who last year served more than 4,000 clients by providing free counseling and conducting specialized planning workshops. Our volunteers are working/retired business owners, executives and corporate leaders with a broad variety of industry experience in every important business management discipline.

SCORE is a resource partner of the United States Small Business Administration (SBA). All SBA funded programs are extended to the public on a nondiscriminatory basis. SCORE services are provided without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, age, and disability. Persons with disabilities may request reasonable (special) accommodations (with a two-week advance notice). For special accommodations, please contact the Minneapolis SCORE Chapter 2. The material in this publication is based on work supported by the U.S. Small Business Administration under cooperative agreement SBAHQ-06-S-0001. Any opinion, findings and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this publication are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

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# SCORE® Counseling

**Free counseling for new  
& existing business owners**



**Counselors to America's  
Small Businesses**

# *We help you start a business, grow a business, and stay in business!*



Free counseling from SCORE Chapter 2 helps you tackle complex business issues.

## ***Free Counseling and Advice***

Whether you are contemplating starting a business or have a complex business issue you're tackling, there is a place you can go to get free help. SCORE Chapter 2, affiliated with the U.S. Small Business Administration, provides free business counseling to prospective or current business owners.

Contemplating expanding your business? Wondering where to find good employees? Not sure if you're targeting the right market? We can help you with these and other issues. SCORE counselors act as sounding boards to your ideas and help you examine all of the angles for your business ideas and issues. With good counsel, you will have a better chance of succeeding in your business.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Notes</b>
SCORE Chapter 2 Office 8800 Highway 7 (Bremer Bank #103) Saint Louis Park	Monday-Friday	9am-12pm	By appointment only (952) 938-4570
Business Planning Center 2324 University Avenue, St. Paul	Monday Tuesday Wednesday	10am-2pm 10am-6pm 10am-2pm	Walk-ins welcomed (651) 209-1884
East Lake Street Library 2727 E Lake St, Minneapolis	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	10am-1:30pm	Walk-ins welcomed (612) 630-6550
SCORE Chapter 2 Office 8800 Highway 7 (Bremer Bank #103) Saint Louis Park	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	9am-12pm	Importing/Exporting By appointment only (952) 938-4570
Eden Prairie Library 565 Prairie Center Dr, Eden Prairie	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	10am-1pm	Walk-ins welcomed (952) 847-5385
Minneapolis Public Library 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	10am-1:30pm	Walk-ins welcomed
Urban Ventures 3041 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave S, Minneapolis	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	9am-12:30pm	Walk-ins welcomed (612) 822-8628
Southdale Library 7001 York Ave S, Edina	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	10am-1:30pm	Walk-ins welcomed (952) 847-5980
Brookdale Library 6125 Shingle Creek Pkwy, Brooklyn Ctr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	10am-1:30pm	Walk-ins welcomed (952) 847-5639

**SCORE WORKSHOPS:** You will experience “the SCORE difference” – training by working & retired business owners and executives with extensive business experience. Log on to [www.scorempls.org](http://www.scorempls.org) to request a free, face-to-face counseling session or for a complete listing of workshops, their content, times and locations.