



## **SBA and New Hampshire Secretary of State-Corporate Division Launch New Initiative to Help Entrepreneurs**

A representative from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) New Hampshire District Office will be available to provide business assistance at the New Hampshire Secretary of State, Corporate Division office in Concord, NH. This initiative is aimed at reaching the business community at large with tools to help current and aspiring owners manage their businesses successfully. Visitors will learn how SBA supports small businesses through financial assistance, training, counseling and other programs that help small businesses start, grow and succeed.

“We are committed to the growth of small business in New Hampshire,” said William Phillips, district director of the U.S. Small Business Administration in New Hampshire. “Providing access to business information is one of the most important services we can offer small businesses. I couldn’t be more pleased than to be partnering with the Secretary of State in delivering good service to our joint small business clients. The SBA is customer-focused and this initiative is an outstanding example of service delivery.”

“This is a valuable educational resource and is truly a win-win for all parties involved.” said Debra Ulmanis, Administrator, New Hampshire Secretary of State-Corporate Division. “We are excited to work with the SBA to foster entrepreneurship.”

“The SBA has resources available to help the entrepreneur with every facet of their business,” said Alice Zachos, Business Development Specialist. “Our office in Concord, together with our partners SCORE, Counselors to America’s Small Business, the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the Women’s Business Center (WBC) provide one-on-one counseling and training. In fiscal year 2006, the NH District Office and their resource partners delivered counseling and training to 7,660 aspiring entrepreneurs and existing small business owners.”

The NH Small Business Resource guide is now available at the NH Secretary of State Corporate Division office. The publication offers information on starting and operating a small business, including business planning, financing, regulations and other sources of local, state and federal assistance.

To obtain the SBA representative’s schedule, visit online at [www.sba.gov/nh](http://www.sba.gov/nh) or [www.sos.nh.gov/corporate](http://www.sos.nh.gov/corporate). For further information, contact Miguel Moralez, SBA at (603) 225-1601 or the NH Secretary of State Corporate Division at (603) 271-3246