The Small Business Programs Office (SBPO) works to promote and integrate small businesses into the competitive base of subcontractors that support space exploration, scientific discovery and aeronautics research at JPL. The SBPO is committed to being a trusted NASA Small Business Advocate. Below are some of the outreach events we have attended in the past few months, as well as upcoming events.

**Outreach Events**

**NASA/JPL 22nd Annual Supplier Fair**  
October 2 in Pasadena, CA

The Small Business Programs Office (SBPO) hosted the 22nd Annual Small Business Supplier Fair on October 2 on the mall in Pasadena, CA.

This event provided a forum for small businesses to showcase their services and capabilities to potentially match the needs of current and future NASA/JPL
missions, research and development programs, institutional support, and operational efforts. The total number of exhibitors represented were 50 small businesses, 4 Government agencies, and an additional 20 suppliers (large and small) from JPL’s Subcontractor Business Council. Over 500 JPL employees attended the event to meet the exhibitors, enjoy the kettle corn, and live entertainment.

Click here for more information and photos from the 2018 Supplier Fair

NASA KSC Business Opportunities Expo 2018
October 23 in Merritt Island, FL

The NASA Kennedy Space Center (KSC) Office of Small Business Programs hosted the 28th Annual Business Opportunities Expo with support from the KSC Prime Contractors Board, U.S. Air Force 45th Space Wing, and Canaveral Port Authority. There were 2,283 registered attendees and 229 exhibitors with a focus on General Construction and Construction-related exhibitors.

Other exhibitors represented by KSC Prime Contractors, NASA, other federal agencies, small businesses, and large businesses participated in this one-day event.

All nine NASA Centers were represented by a Small Business Specialist, including JPL Small Business Administrators Matthew Christian and Mary Helen Ruiz to discuss doing business
The LAEDC-SoCal Aerospace Council Meeting held on November 14, 2018 in El Segundo, CA.

The Los Angeles Economic Development Center (LAEDC) along with the Southern California Aerospace Council held their quarterly meeting on November 14, 2018. The LAEDC invited NASA/Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to speak on upcoming programs and opportunities. Felicia Bell from the JPL Small Business Programs Office spoke on JPL's goals and objectives for helping small businesses match their skills with projects and missions. Mark Davidson from the Technology Transfer group provided guidance on the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program as well as the Small Business...
Technology Transfer (STTR) program. Mark shared that the next proposal cycle for the SBIR/STTR will begin in January 2019 and encouraged attendees to visit the website www.sbir.jpl.nasa.gov for further information on the topics and subtopics NASA is looking to award. There was a matchmaking session where the attendees were able to speak to Felicia and Mark about their capabilities and possible matches to JPL needs.
Upcoming JPL Hosted Events

Engineering, Implementation, Science, Operations & Communications (EISOC) Industry Day
November 27, 2018
SAVE THE DATE

Engineering, Implementation, Science, Operations & Communications (EISOC) Industry Day

Tuesday - November 27, 2018
8:30am to 5:00pm
at the
Pasadena Convention Center

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

JPL Small Business Opportunity Fair
April 2, 2019
Small Business Opportunity Fair
Hosted by NASA/JPL, City of Pasadena, Pasadena Chamber of Commerce

April 2nd, 2019
Pasadena Conference Center

Exhibitors from government agencies and large businesses will be available to discuss opportunities in their supply chain. Workshops and matchmaking will also be available at the event.

For more details, please contact smallbusiness.programsoffice@jpl.nasa.gov

Other Upcoming Outreach Events

USC Workshop
December 11, 2018
Attend our upcoming event

ACCESSING CAPITAL FOR DEFENSE SUPPLIERS

Learn what financing option is right for your business at our panel discussion and one-on-one lender meetings.

SPACE IS LIMITED
REGISTER BY NOV. 30

Unless you’ve won your fortune, you will need access to affordable, reliable capital for daily operations and future investments. However, capital programs can vary widely. Find out what financial option makes the most sense for your business by attending Accessing Capital for Defense Suppliers, hosted by the AMP SoCal Strengthening Competitiveness Program.

The event will feature a panel discussion covering different capital access options, such as:

- Equity
- Senior Debt ($250,000 and above)
- CDFI Lender ($250,000 and below)
- Crowdfunding

Learn about funder expectations and the conditions for investment. One-on-one lender meeting will also be offered to the first 10 registrants, which will include free pre-meeting financial support. AMP SoCal will assist you in organizing your financials and your pitch so that your business can fully profit from this valuable opportunity.

REGISTER AT

EVENT DETAILS

DAY
TUESDAY
DEC
11

TIME
9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

University of Southern California
Price School Research Centers
Gateway Building
333 S. Figueroa St. Unit A
Los Angeles, CA 90007

Parking: USC Shrine Parking Structure
678 W. 32nd Street Los Angeles, CA 90007
enter via 32nd St - $12 fee

Spotlights

Small Business Spotlight
Science Systems and Applications, Inc.
Several members of the SSAI Pasadena team during a recent visit to NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Science Systems and Applications, Inc. (SSAI), is a small business with headquarters in Maryland and offices in Pasadena, California.

SSAI has been in business with a focus on NASA scientific, engineering and IT support for over 40 years. Key capabilities include:

- Support of over 150 NASA satellite missions and science instrument projects
- Operation of several EOS satellite mission SIPS, including JPL’s MLS mission, CERES, CALPISO, and more (including archive support)
- Development, design, testing, and operation of numerous scientific instruments
- IT and systems administration and security
- Science-based culture of scientists, engineers and analysts focused on NASA goals

SSAI-created animation of NASA’s GEOS-5 global model forecasts showing tropical cyclones Leslie, Michael, Nadine, Oscar, Patty, Rafael, and Sandy.

The Pasadena office currently runs NASA’s GLOBE Data Information System (DIS) – a portal which supports over 150,000 users in 121 countries. The GLOBE DIS contains a 20-year data archive and provides visualization and data retrieval support to its international audience (scientists, educators, students and citizen scientists). Hosted in the Amazon cloud, the system includes collaboration, eLearning, user management, content management, the GLOBE Observer app and other capabilities. Learn more at https://www.globe.gov

You may also be familiar with SSAI through the NASA DEVELOP National Program at NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory. DEVELOP places about 24 interns (students, recent graduates, and early-career transitioning professionals) at JPL every year through SSAI. The DEVELOP Program addresses environmental and public policy issues through interdisciplinary research projects that apply the lens of NASA Earth observations to community concerns around the globe. Participants conduct 10-week rapid feasibility projects demonstrating innovative uses of NASA Earth observations. To date, DEVELOP has had over 4,500 participants go through the program with over 880 projects completed nationwide. Learn more at https://develop.larc.nasa.gov

Learn more about SSAI at: https://www.ssaihq.com/
DEVELOP team members both past and present at a recent 20 Year anniversary event at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

NEW TOOLS FOR BUSINESSES

Subcontracting Module Information - NVDB

NEW!
The subcontracting module is now available as a separate option for registrants. By joining the subcontracting module, prime contractors can find subcontracting partners. For firms looking for subcontracting opportunities, this module will provide a potential list of NASA partners. As with the regular NVDB, the subcontracting module is open to both large and small companies. Both current and new registrants must opt in to join the module.

After registering in the NVDB, log into your account, open “Manage My Vendor Record,” click on the new second tab, “Subcontractor Details,” and select “Yes” in the drop down menu to join. Fill in the capabilities text box.

Sign in at https://osbp.nasa.gov/vendor_database.html

To Learn More About the Small Business Program at NASA:

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Twitter: @NASA_OSBP
Facebook: NASASmallBusiness

Procurement News
Welcome to the Q&A with SBPO section of our newsletter! Here we will answer questions submitted to our general email box at smallbusiness.programsoffice@jpl.nasa.gov. We encourage you to submit questions with "Newsletter Q&A with SBPO" in the subject line to be included in our next issue.

We would like to introduce the combined Subcontractor Business Council

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