

GDEI Trade Mission to the Caribbean Region

Including the
Opportunities for Minority-Led Businesses in the Caribbean Conference

November 17-22, 2024
Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic



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\$2000 subsidy*
*Subsidy applicable to eligible
California small businesses



**Santo Domingo,
Dominican Republic**

CALLING CALIFORNIA MINORITY-LED SMALL BUSINESS EXPORTERS!

The California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) is supporting up to five California women-owned small businesses to participate in the U.S. Department of Commerce's Trade Mission and Conference to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic on November 17-22, 2024.

This is a multi-sector focused trade mission. The trade mission is a combination of a business conference and customized business-to-business matchmaking appointments in ONE or TWO cities with pre-screened potential buyers, agents, distributors, or joint venture partners. *To qualify for the STEP offer, companies must participate in matchmaking meetings in at least one market.*

BEST PROSPECT INDUSTRIES:

- Agricultural Products
- Automotive Parts, Accessories & Service Equipment
- Construction Equipment
- Cosmetics
- Cybersecurity
- Defense & Security
- Disposable Medical Supplies
- eCommerce
- Education
- Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
- Infrastructure
- Medical Devices and Equipment
- Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Equipment
- Processed Food and Beverages
- Solar Energy Products
- Electric Power and Renewable Energy Systems

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please note, this is not a public event, the trade mission is reserved for vetted professionals only.

- Interested companies must first register with the U.S. Department of Commerce [here](#).
- Once accepted into the program, a CA company will need to submit a STEP Event application via step.business.ca.gov/. (Select "GDEI Trade Mission to the Caribbean" from the list of activities).
- The California STEP team will review applications and notify eligible applicants if they have been selected.
- Selected companies will need to pay the reduced participation fee directly to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

This event is funded in part through a grant with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

California Offer:

\$2,000 up-front subsidy

STEP Application:

step.business.ca.gov

*select "GDEI Trade Mission to the Caribbean" from list of events

STEP Application Deadline:

Apply by October 31, 2024

More Event Info:

https://events.trade.gov/en/TradeGov/GDEITradeMissionCaribbeanRegion/#extra_1712110187735

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