

How to start a business in Mountain Home, Arkansas

1. Contact the Mountain Home Chamber of Commerce – Ask for Bo Gregory

- Whether you are considering starting or have decided to start your business, your first stop should be to visit with Bo Gregory who is in charge of Economic Development in the City of Mountain Home. Gregory is the point of contact for economic development efforts for the City of Mountain Home.

1023 Hwy 62 E
Mountain Home, AR 72653
870) 425-5111

2. Contact the Mountain Home Build Inspection Department

- A. Business location, zoning, licensing, and building occupancy.
- B. Arkansas Fire Prevention Code/Building Code, Permitting and Inspection Policies and Procedures, and Certificate of Occupancy and Occupancy Load Calculation

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3. Licensing, business name, taxes.

- It is highly recommended that you seek consultation with a lawyer and an accountant for this step of the process.
- A. Doing Business As/Fictitious Business Name:
 - 1. Arkansas law requires that anyone shall conduct or transact business in this state under the real name of the individual unless the person files a DBA (Doing Business As) certificate in the office of the County Clerk of the counties in which the person conducts his/her business. The types of businesses that would typically use the certificate are sole proprietorships and general partnerships.

1 E 7th St #103
Mountain Home, AR
(870) 425-3475

- 2. For corporations, filing an application for a Fictitious Name is made to the Arkansas Secretary of State. Filing may be done online.

Ste. 250, Victory Building, 1402 W Capitol,
Little Rock, AR 72201

<https://www.ark.org/sos/ofs/docs/index.php>

B. City Business License

- 1. A business license is required by ordinance by the City of Mountain Home, Arkansas.
- 2. A business license may not be required under certain exemptions or if the business owner already has a business license in another city within the State of Arkansas.

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C. Taxes

- 1. Applying for an Employer Identification Number

- a.) Online: The Internet EIN application is the preferred method for customers to apply for and obtain an EIN. Once the application is completed, the information is validated during the online session, and an EIN is issued immediately. The online application process is available for all entities whose principal business, office or agency, or legal residence (in the case of an individual), is located in the United States or U.S. Territories. The principal officer, general partner, grantor, owner, trustor etc. must have a valid Taxpayer Identification Number in order to use the online application.

<https://sa2.www4.irs.gov/modiein/individual/index.jsp>

- b.) Telephone: Businesses can obtain an EIN immediately by calling the Business & Specialty Tax Line at (800) 829-4933. The hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. local time, Monday through Friday. An assistant takes the information, assigns the EIN, and provides the number to an authorized individual over the telephone.
- c.) Fax: Businesses can fax the completed Form SS-4 application to (215) 516-3990. If the business fax number is provided, a fax will be sent back with the EIN within four (4) business days.
- d.) E-mail: The processing timeframe for an EIN application received by mail is four weeks. Ensure that the Form SS-4 (PDF) contains all of the required information. If it is determined that the entity needs a new EIN, one will be assigned using the appropriate procedures for the entity type and mailed to the taxpayer.

Detail information and electronic SS-4 can be found at the IRS Small Business /self-employed community Website at: <http://www.irs.gov/businesses/index.html>

- 2. The Amount of Tax a Business Should Charge
 - a.) State: 6.5%
 - b.) County: 1%
 - c.) City: 1%

4. Utilities

A. Electricity

- 1. Entergy
1-800-368-3749 (1-800-ENTERGY)
- 2. North Arkansas Electric Cooperative
1520 Hwy 62 E
Mountain Home, AR 72653
(870) 425-2141

B. Water & Wastewater

- 1. City of Mountain Home Water Department
752 N. College Street

Mountain Home, AR 72653
870-425-5115

2. Northeast Water Association

66 Florence Dr.
Mountain Home, AR 72653
(870) 492-4211

C. Solid Waste & Sanitation

1. Methvin Sanitation

162 County Road 5
Gassville, AR 72635
(870) 427-8095

D. Telecommunications

1. Suddenlink

808 Club Blvd
Mountain Home, AR 72653
(877) 612-5036

2. CenturyLink

707 N. Cardinal Drive, #4
Mountain Home, AR 72653
870-425-6659

E. Natural Gas Services

1. Source Gas

1-800-563-0012