



★ **Who we are:**

The National Women's Business Council (NWBC) is a non-partisan federal advisory council created to serve as an independent source of advice and counsel to the U.S. Small Business Administration, the U.S. Congress, and the White House on issues of impact and importance to women business owners, leaders, and entrepreneurs. The NWBC convenes women business owners and leaders, policymakers, bankers and investors, representatives of women's business organizations, and other stakeholders of the women's entrepreneurship ecosystem to identify the unique challenges facing women in business and to formulate potential solutions.

★ **What we do:**

As the government's only independent voice for women entrepreneurs, the NWBC's mission is two-fold:

- 1 To conduct and support groundbreaking research that provides insight into women business enterprises from startup to success;
- 2 To share the research findings to ultimately incite action and present solutions.

★ **Our history:**

The NWBC was established via the Women's Business Ownership Act of 1988 (H.R. 5050), a landmark piece of legislation that eliminated individual state laws requiring women to have a male relative cosign a business loan.

★ **Strategy:**

The Council uses a four-pillar strategy to drive our efforts around improving women's entrepreneurship in this country and to focus our research and engagement efforts.

**15** Members / **3** Year Terms

**1** **Presidentially-appointed Chair**

**4** **of the President's Party**     **4** **not of the President's Party**

**6** **Representatives of National Women's Business Organizations**



**3** **Key Stakeholders**



**4** **Public Meetings**     **1** **Annual Report**



**DATA**



**ACCESS TO CAPITAL**

**ACCESS TO MARKETS**



**JOB CREATION  
 & GROWTH**

