



**SMALL BUSINESS
ADVOCACY
COUNCIL**

Advocating for Small Businesses in Illinois Together.

PROVIDING A NON-PARTISAN AND EFFECTIVE VOICE ON BEHALF OF SMALL BUSINESSES IN DC, SPRINGFIELD, AND CHICAGO.

OUR WORK

- Championed legislation to reduce Illinois LLC fees, which were among the highest in the nation
- Pushed legislation to increase government contract opportunities for small, minority, veteran and women-owned businesses
- Engaged with Illinois politicians to ensure the deductibility of PPP loans
- Led the effort to end antiquated prohibition-era laws prohibiting restaurants from serving alcohol near schools and churches
- Instrumental in passing an ordinance to reduce the time it takes for Chicago businesses to obtain a sign permit
- Worked to expand outdoor dining in Chicago
- Secured an appropriation of funds to support local chambers of commerce devastated by the pandemic
- Championed legislation focused on reducing health insurance premiums for Illinois small businesses

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OUR STORY



President Elliot Richardson formed the SBAC to give the small business community a voice and representation in Springfield. Our "secret sauce" is knowing the importance of being a non-partisan organization. Taking the preconceived and fluid beliefs associated with political parties out of the equation allows for the most impactful policy solutions.

OUR MISSION



The SBAC is a non-partisan, member driven organization that promotes the success of small business through political advocacy, support services and educational programs.

WE BELIEVE



- The success of small business is a critical component of the nation's economic well-being.
- In order to ensure a fair and level playing field, small business must have a powerful and united advocacy voice at the local, state and federal level.
- Through cooperative networking, idea sharing and education, small business can flourish.

