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Industry Associations

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Local Industry Associations	
Organization / Phone	Programs and Services
Benicia Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center (707) 745-2120	The Chamber's mission is "Promoting Business for a Better Benicia". As the voice of business, the Benicia Chamber is a membership based, not-for-profit organization that offers numerous benefits and services including networking opportunities, business referrals, business education seminars, and more.
Benicia Industrial Park Association (BIPA) (707) 745-2120	BIPA is a division of the Chamber of Commerce. Its members work toward creating a favorable environment for companies operating in Benicia Industrial Park.
Benicia Main Street (707) 745-9791	Through a joint effort of the public and private sectors, Main Street was created to preserve the heritage of historic downtown Benicia, to promote economic prosperity, and to restore the downtown's identity as the viable town center according to the National Main Street Program's four-point approach to revitalization.
Solano Association of Realtors (707) 644-5525	Professional Marketing, Legislative Advocacy, Ongoing Educational Services, Publications/Information, Publications/Information, E&O Insurance, Affiliate Services, SAOR Store, Dispute Resolution, Legal Services
Solano County Farm Bureau (707) 449-8044	Solano County Farm Bureau is to promote and represent Agriculture in Solano County for the benefit of our members and community. We seek solutions for problems of the farm, the farm home and rural community, by use of the organized action. To that end those engaged in the various branches of agriculture may have the opportunity for prosperity in their chosen work.
Sola	The Solano-Napa Builders Exchange (SNBE) offers its

no-Napa Builders Exchange members services and programs that will help them obtain more work; establish business relationships with other construction companies; save money on insurance programs; and have an active voice in governmental and community affairs.

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Source :Benicia Main Street www.beniciamainstreet.org/; Benicia Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center www.beniciachamber.com/; Solano Association of Realtors www.saor.org/; Solano County Farm Bureau <http://solano.cfbf.com/>; Solano-Napa Builders Exchange www.snbe.com/ (as of March 2012)

Trade Associations

Association / Organization	Description
California Business Roundtable	Nonprofit, nonpartisan organization of California CEOs focusing on big picture issues affecting California businesses. These issues include infrastructure, education, energy, and government reform.
California Farm Bureau Federation	Promotion of agricultural interests
California Cheese & Butter Association	The CCBA is trade organization for any person, company or organization engaged in the manufacture, sale, promotion or distribution of cheese or butter in the State of California.
California League of Food Processors	Membership directory, legislative advocacy
California Manufacturing and Technology Association	Business advocacy with the state government; legislative updates, conferences.
Frozen Food Council of Northern California	Engaged in the promotion of frozen food and related products.
California Solar Energy Industries Association	Directory of solar energy providers and industry information
International Council of Shopping Centers	Events, resources, information
Manufactured Housing Institute	Industry research, promotion, government relations
Medical Device Manufacturers Association	Advocacy, information, employee recruitment
Society of the Plastics Industry	Tradeshows, information, political action
Building Standards Institute	Nonprofit organization for the education of homeowners and builders regarding building standards in California

Source: California Business Roundtable www.cbrt.org/; California Farm Bureau Federation www.cfbf.com/; California League of Food Processors www.clfp.com/; California Manufacturing & Technology Association www.cmta.net/; California Solar Energy Industries Association www.calseia.org/; International Council of

Shopping Centers www.icsc.org; Manufactured Housing Institute www.cmhi.org; Medical Device Manufacturers Association www.medicaldevices.org; Society of the Plastics Industry www.plasticsindustry.org; Building Standards Institute <http://www.buildingstandardsinstitute.org>; Frozen Food Council of Northern California www.frozenfoodcouncil.com (as of March 2012)

International Trade Associations and Support

Association / Organization	Description
California Chamber of Commerce	Contacts and resources to help you navigate international trade, including a direct link to all the California and World Seaports.
California International Business Association	International business directory for international trade opportunities with California; originally an arm of the California Trade & Commerce Agency
Bay Area Center for International Trade Development	Identification of international markets
California Council for International Trade (CCIT)	Seeks to protect and promote trade policies and programs which advance the global trade and investment interests of California businesses
Ex-Im Bank	The Export-Import Bank of the United States is an independent federal government agency and the official export credit agency of the United States.
Fair Trade USA	Fair Trade USA is a nonprofit monitoring organization which certifies that participating traders are following fair trade guidelines. Fair Trade USA educates consumers, brings new manufacturers and retailers into the Fair Trade system, and provides farmers with tools, training and resources to thrive as international businesspeople.
Federal Trade Commission	The FTC provides guidance on how to comply with U.S. Origin claims and standards.
Federation of International Trade Associations	A searchable database of international trade resources
International Trade Administration	Promotes fair trade throughout the world, offers programs and assistance that can help you reduce the risk of doing business internationally, comply with trade laws, and protect your intellectual property.
Northern California World Trade Center	The NorCal WTC and other California World Trade Centers offer counseling, educational seminars, networking opportunities, trade missions, and more.
California Secretary of State	The State of California also offers a website designed to provide both the experienced and novice gain access to information and assistance for importing and exporting products.
U.S. Commercial Service	Reach trade specialists throughout the U.S. and

	overseas, learn about trade events that can help you promote your products overseas, obtain market research, find buyers and distributors, participate in trade missions, develop sales and distribution channels, and more.
U.S. Small Business Administration	Office of International Trade provides export working capital and international trade loans to businesses involved in or planning international trade.
U.S. Government Export Portal	U.S. Department of Commerce portal to federal agencies that offer export assistance, programs, and services. Find answers, learn about doing business overseas, and access market data, financing resources, legal and other information.

Source: California Chamber of Commerce www.calchamber.com; California International Business Association www.caltrade.com; Bay Area Center for International Trade Development www.bayareacitd.com/; Federal Trade Commission www.ftc.gov; Federation of International Trade Associations www.fita.org; International Trade Administration www.trade.gov/index.asp; Northern California World Trade Center www.norcalwtc.org; California Secretary of State www.sos.ca.gov/business; US Commercial Service www.trade.gov/cs; US Small Business Administration www.sba.gov, US Government Export Portal www.export.gov, Export-Import Bank www.exim.gov; Fair Trade USA www.transfairusa.org (as of March 2012)