

Lorene Hintz Bio

Lorene Hintz, Regional Director for the Small Business Development Center at Big Sky Economic Development, manages the Big Sky Trust Fund Job Creation grant program. As an Accredited Business Consultant, Lorene is a passionate advocate and champion for small business owners and entrepreneurs. She provides business technical assistance, marketing research, financial analysis/projections, loan packaging, and one-on-one consulting.

Her experience includes 16 years of retail business ownership, co-owner of Hintz Trucking, and eighteen years as a Small Business Development Center Regional Director. Lorene strives to recognize business owners' needs, promote opportunities, and inspire growth in start-up and existing businesses. She is a volunteer mentor for entrepreneurial development programs across the state, including Early-Stage Montana, Rock31, Veteran's Business Outreach Centers, and the Women's Business Center.

Lorene was named America's SBDC State Star in 2010, is a member of Montana Economic Developers Association (MEDA), Accredited Small Business Consultant (ASBD), Certified Economic Development Finance Professional (EDFP), certified NxLevel trainer, Profit Mastery consultant, and a certified Core Four Trainer.