

# Site Assistance

**1. *Can the UDA help me find an ideal location for my type of business?***

Yes. The UDA can provide you with an online listing of available commercial and mixed use properties in Center City (Downtown, Walnut Street, and Commercial Street) ó [www.itsalldowntown.com](http://www.itsalldowntown.com) or call (417) 831-6200.

Also, Springfield's economic development entities work closely together to provide up-to-date demographics and statistics to help you develop your business plan.

(<http://www.business4springfield.com/demographics/>) or <http://www.itsalldowntown.com/resources/2>

**2. *I want to start a small business. Can the City help me locate incubator space?***

Yes. The City works closely with Drury University Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) Chapter which currently offers incubator spaces on a limited basis. Please contact Drury SIFE at (417) 873-7378 for more information.

**3. *I own property. Can the UDA help me market/promote/advertise the property to potential new businesses?***

Yes. The Urban Districts Alliance can work with your real estate professional to list your site and building information on the database of available Center City sites maintained online at [www.itsalldowntown.com](http://www.itsalldowntown.com) by the UDA and the Chamber of Commerce. Please call the UDA at (417) 831-6200 for more information.

**4. *I want to expand my existing business but I don't know who owns the vacant lot adjacent to my site. Can the UDA help?***

Yes. The UDA can work with the City to identify the property owner. By using tax records, city account records or utility records, we may be able to locate a representative of the site. Please go online to [www.greenecountyassessor.org](http://www.greenecountyassessor.org) contact the UDA at (417) 831-6200.

**5. *What new (or vacant) business opportunities are there in Center City?***

The UDA is the umbrella organization for the three historic business districts in Springfield's Center City. Community Development Coordinators are assigned to each district to work on projects, potential and existing, and to work with government representatives, developers, residents and businesses. The district staff can answer questions about projects in your district. Please contact the UDA at (417) 831-6200 for more information on our districts and the respective staff contacts.