

What do you need?

Here's a sampling of the many services offered by Ashford Businesses:

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| Antiques | Lawn Mowing |
| Arborist | Logging |
| Artisan Crafts | Machining |
| Artisan-Distilled Spirits | Manufacturing |
| Auto & Truck Towing | Maple Syrup Products |
| Auto Service & Repair | Medical Services |
| Beauty & Spa Services | Online Computer Games |
| Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner | Paving |
| Cabinetry | Photography |
| Christmas Trees | Pick-Your-Own-Fruit |
| Computer Services | Plants & Shrubs |
| & Repair | Property Maintenance |
| Custom Furniture | Real Estate |
| Daycare | Robotics |
| Family Camping | Snow Plowing |
| Foundation Repair | Site Preparation |
| Fresh Vegetables | Stone Masonry |
| Gas, Oil & Propane | Sundries |
| Home Construction | Tax Preparation |
| Home Improvements | & Accounting |
| Horse Lessons | Transmission Repair |
| & Boarding | Truck & Trailer Rental |
| Housecleaning | Trucking |
| Ice, Beer, Wine & Spirits | Veterinarian Services |
| Ice Cream | Website Design |
| Jewelry | & Maintenance |
| Landscaping | |



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Consider the Advantages of Doing Business Locally.

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Local Spending Makes a Difference, And Here's Why

Local spending stays local.

Of every \$100 you spend at a local business, \$68 stays in the local economy*. Those dollars stay here to pay taxes, buy supplies, improve facilities, hire local employees, contract for snowplowing, and meals from the restaurant down the road.

** Andersonville study of Retail Economics, Chicago, IL*

Local Businesses invest in our Community.

The local business owner's association, known as the ABA host events and shared proceeds with local non-profits.

Ask the Ashford Volunteer Fire Department or the Friends of the Babcock Library-our Ashford businesses always rise to the occasion to assist our community clubs and organizations.

Business owners are invested in our town's future. Providing services. Supporting non-profits. Offering practical advice.

You Get Better Customer Service

When you call a business in town, you're often dealing with a neighbor on the other end of the telephone. Or across the counter. Dealing with someone familiar with our local area can be a real asset when you're seeking a special service or hiring for a project

Convenience means a lot today, too. When, you start your errands by shopping local, you save time.

Business Diversity Leads to more Customer Choice.

Maybe you can't buy everything in town, but when you carefully consider which services or goods you source locally you support our local economy.

We Like Our Rural Character

In a world where so much is the same, isn't it nice to live in a community that's still unique and distinctive.



When we support local folks by doing business with them, their enterprises will grow. And grow here. Employing more local adults and young people. Small, local businesses are the largest employers nationally.



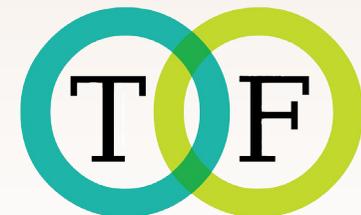
Local businesses require comparatively few infrastructure improvements. Plus they make more efficient use of our public services while contributing to our tax base.

Ashford's Economic Development Commission is Here to Help Grow Ashford Businesses

A group of volunteers, appointed by the selectmen, serve to create a thriving economic vitality to our community.

The Mission of Ashford's Economic Development Commission (AEDC) is to help with, and encourage the growth of existing businesses while seeking the development of new business, which will be compatible with the philosophy of our rural community. The purpose of these goals is to expand our tax base in a positive manner and to enable local government to provide goods and services sought by the Town and its citizens.

Our commission organizes programs, such as the Ashford Our Town Our Future project, and co-hosts programs with the ABA. We also support new businesses and reach out to existing businesses.



AEDC actively promotes our community to prospective businesses who would enhance our economy. Learn more about Ashford and our commission at www.AshfordEDC.org