

**Additional Incentives  
Available in the EZ or Community  
Redevelopment Areas (CRA):**

**Brownfields Program**

- Provides assistance with environmental assessment and clean up of real property. For more information, please contact Jodie Manale at 595-3217 or visit the website at: [www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/brownfields](http://www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/brownfields)

**Escambia County CRA Façade and  
Streetscape Grant Program**

- Provides matching funds to upgrade exterior appearance of commercial buildings. For more information, please contact Marcie Whitaker at 595-3595 or visit the website at: [www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/community\\_redevelopmentagency](http://www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/community_redevelopmentagency)

**Escambia County CRA  
Sign Grant Program**

- Provides matching funds to upgrade the appearance of signage on selected corridors. For more information, please contact Marcie Whitaker at 595-3595 or visit the website at: [www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/community\\_redevelopmentagency](http://www.co.escambia.fl.us/departments/nesd/community_redevelopmentagency)

**HUBZone Empowerment  
Contracting Program**  
*(Historically Underutilized Business Zone)*

- Provides federal contracting opportunities for small businesses. For more information, please contact Laura Subel at 473-7806, Email: [lsubel@uwf.edu](mailto:lsubel@uwf.edu) or visit the website at: [www.sba.gov/hubzone](http://www.sba.gov/hubzone)

**Escambia County's EZ Program Mission:**

To revitalize the Enterprise Zone area by building upon current Escambia County Community Redevelopment efforts that will induce business investments, increase livable-wage jobs, promote sustainable economic development, and ensure a better quality of life for the residents.

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**Other Helpful Website:**

[www.floridaenterprisezones.com](http://www.floridaenterprisezones.com)



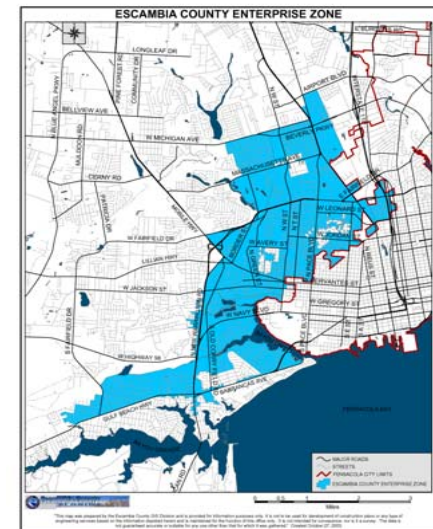
**Escambia County  
Community Redevelopment Agency**  
1190 West Leonard Street  
Pensacola, FL 32501



**Enterprise Zone  
(EZ)  
Incentives**

Available in

*Escambia County, Florida*



**What is an EZ?**

An **EZ** is an area targeted for economic revitalization.



## How can the EZ program help you?

This program offers financial incentives from the state of Florida to residents and businesses located within the zone to encourage job creation and private sector investment.

## EZ Incentives:



### **JOB TAX CREDIT FOR SALES AND USE TAX**

The Jobs Tax Credit allows a business located in the EZ credit against **Sales and Use Tax** when at least one new permanent job is created.

#### **Business must:**

- Be located within an **EZ**
- Collect and remit Sales and Use Tax

#### **Employees must:**

- Live in an **EZ**
- Be employed 3 full calendar months
- Work an average of 36 hours a week

### **JOB TAX CREDIT FOR CORPORATE INCOME TAX**

This credit allows **EZ** businesses **corporate income tax credit** for wages paid to new permanent employees.

#### **Business must:**

- Be located within an **EZ**
- Business must not be taking Jobs Tax Credit against sales tax

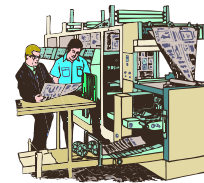
#### **Employees must:**

- Live in an **EZ**
- Be employed 3 full calendar months
- Work an average of 36 hours a week

*Note:* There are two different Job Tax Credits available for businesses located in the **EZ**—tax credit for **Sales and Use Tax** and tax credit for **Corporate Income Tax**. While the eligibility criteria are similar, the tax credits cannot be used together.

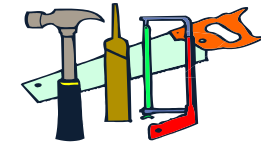
### **BUSINESS MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALES TAX REFUND**

This is a refund for sales tax paid on the purchase of business machinery or equipment used in an **EZ**.



#### **Business must:**

- Purchase equipment that has a sales price of at least \$5,000 per unit
- Equipment must be used exclusively in an **EZ** for at least 3 years



### **BUILDING MATERIALS SALES TAX REFUND**

This is a tax refund on sales tax paid for the purchase of building materials used in rehab or new construction of residential or commercial property. Refund will be 97% of state sales tax (6%) paid on Building Materials that exceed \$8,600.

#### **Property must:**

- Be located in an **EZ**
- Can only be claimed one time per parcel of real property

### **PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR CORPORATE INCOME TAX**

New or expanded businesses located in an Enterprise Zone are allowed a credit on Florida corporate income tax paid on new or improved property.

#### **Business must:**

- Establish 5 or more new jobs
- Must be a Corporation