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Saluting Women Who Mean Business

Quick—can you name the first female CEO of a Fortune 500 company? That honor belongs to Katherine Graham, the former head of the Washington Post Company. There are now

more than 20 Fortune 500 companies helmed by women, illustrating both how far female executives have come, and how much more needs to be done.

We'd like to take advantage of March's designation as **Women's History Month** to recognize the huge contributions women have made to the world of business, whether it's launching startups, thriving in the C-Suite, or succeeding on Main Street.

Shark Tales

From *Ladies Who Launch* to *Shark Tales: How I Turned \$1000 into a Billion Dollar Business*, check out these [three great books for female entrepreneurs](#).

SCORE One for Women Entrepreneurs

The nonprofit business association SCORE can help women entrepreneurs with everything from business plans to finding mentors.

Learn more about how [SCORE helps women entrepreneurs](#).

Wine and Opportunity

"Dear optimist, pessimist, and realist -- while you guys were busy arguing about the glass of wine, I drank it! Sincerely, the opportunist!" -- Lori Greiner.

Read more [quotes from well-known female entrepreneurs](#).

Resources, in One Place

Any search for resources for women entrepreneurs and business owners would be incomplete without a visit to BusinessUSA.gov.

Read more about [BusinessUSA's tools for women](#).

Crowdfunding Power

According to a new study, women raise more money with crowdfunding than men do because of the words female founders tend to use.

Learn more about [the study's findings](#).

Secrets for Success

17 famous female leaders from Teach for America founder Wendy Kopp to author J.K. Rowling share their thoughts on success.

[Read more here](#).

Twitter Highlights and Digests

Here's a few of our top tweets from the past week:

1. [Want to be a leader? Make sure you have thick skin & persistence. Read more about the traits of great leaders:](#)
2. [Find out what #TPP means for building products exported by U.S. workers.](#)
3. [For the 1st time, #business #data avail for the 435 congressional districts in updated tool.](#)
4. [The @USCensusBureau America's Economy app is 1 of @BizUSA Top 10 Federal Apps for #Business.](#)

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