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GRP IMPACT

on Florida’s economy as a result of Florida SBDC services*

2018 Economic Impact Analysis of the Florida SBDC Network by FSU CEFA* | Reported by respondents clients of outcomes resulting from or in part due to assistance received in 2017-2018**
At the Florida SBDC Network, we believe in creating unimaginable possibilities for small businesses that yield economic prosperity for our state.

From starting and growing a business, to selling it, this is where Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) help. Established by Congress, SBDCs foster local, regional, and state economic prosperity by providing aspiring and existing small businesses access to professionally certified and credentialed business consultants to help mitigate common obstacles and find success.

Designated as “Florida’s principal provider of small business assistance [Fla. Stat. § 288.001],” the Florida SBDC Network, one of 62 SBDC networks in the country, has more than 40 offices, and approximately 50 outreach locations from Pensacola to Key West to serve the needs of Florida’s business community.

Since 1976, our network of partners has helped construct a statewide ecosystem to foster the spirit, support, and success of more than 1.2 million small business owners.

In addition to our core service offering of no-cost consulting, training, and business research, Florida SBDCs provide a comprehensive toolkit of specialized services for businesses looking to accelerate market growth, including:

- Strategic & Business Plan Development
- Access to Capital
- Strategic Market Research
- Cybersecurity
- Market Growth Development
- International Trade
- Government Contracting
- Disaster Resiliency & Recovery

Our clients tell our story best. Read a sampling of testimonials (►) from the tens of thousands of small businesses we assist each year.

Testimonials

**SeaDek Marine Products, Rockledge**

“The Florida SBDC has provided invaluable assistance in the growth of our export program. From loans to export marketing plans to encouraging us to submit our success story in the running for the Exporter of the Year Award, which we won, the Florida SBDC and Jill’s team have been wonderful to work with. I would recommend their services to any business looking to improve and expand their operations.”

—Jason Gardner, Vice President of Marketing

**The Soup Shop, Melbourne**

“The lessons that I have been taught by the Florida SBDC have been instrumental in the increasing profitability of my business. I make decisions differently after learning to ‘read my numbers’.”

—Julie Shipley, Owner

**Mz. Perky’s Cold Brew, Vero Beach**

“Tom and the Florida SBDC have benefited Mz. Perky’s in several ways. We were able to secure space within the Indian River State College Business Incubator building, which we dubbed our ‘Perkatorium’. We also have assistance with graphic design, marketing, and most importantly preparing our pitch for future investors.”

—William Roberts, Owner

**Bella Casa Staging & Redesign, Melbourne**

“The Florida SBDC has really guided me and helped me learn how, as an entrepreneur, to work on the business and not just in the business so it can grow and be more profitable every year. We’ve gone from a team of 2 to a company of 5, and our business has grown by 50% in just the last year. Marty and his team have been instrumental in helping me stay on task and provided a sense of accountability for myself and my company. When you tap into the resources that are at the Florida SBDC, the sky’s the limit for your business.”

—Lisa Pelc, CEO/Owner