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GRP IMPACT

2018 Economic Impact Analysis of the Florida SBDC Network by FSU CEFA* | Reported by respondent 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.

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**Florida’s resource for serving small business constituents from Pensacola to Key West**

9 REGIONS
40+ CENTERS
50+ OUTREACH LOCATIONS

Find the regional office nearest you:

1. Florida SBDC at UWF
   Pensacola (850) 474-2528
2. Florida SBDC at FAMU
   Tallahassee (850) 599-3407
3. Florida SBDC at UNF
   Jacksonville (904) 620-2476
4. Florida SBDC at UCF
   Orlando (407) 420-4850
5. Florida SBDC at USF
   Tampa (813) 905-5800
6. Florida SBDC at FGCU
   Fort Myers (239) 745-3700
7. Florida SBDC at IRSC
   Fort Pierce (772) 462-4942
8. Florida SBDC at FAU
   Fort Lauderdale (954) 762-5235
9. Florida SBDC at FIU
   Miami (305) 779-9230

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**District 55**

**Client Testimonials**

**McKenna & Lassiter, Sebring**

“The Florida SBDC helped me obtain a one-year, interest-free loan after my citrus groves were damaged after Hurricane Irma. They made the paperwork very easy to fill out and were there to answer all my questions.”

—Riley McKenna

**Susan Cook-Cruise Planners, Avon Park**

“When I started my home-based business, I didn’t know where to turn for help. One visit with the Florida SBDC offered a plethora of knowledge and understanding. I was able to get on the right path and look forward to turning a profit in 2019.”

—Susan Cook

**Sun Turf, Fort Pierce**

“The Florida SBDC was invaluable in providing assistance with obtaining disaster relief after Hurricane Irma. We are sod farmers and the storm set our production fields back two months which meant no income for two months. My company would not have survived without the assistance from the Florida SBDC.”

—Douglas Carter

**Okeechobee Shooting Sports, LLC, Okeechobee**

“Our local Florida SBDC team was outstanding. They worked very hard to assist us in every way they could. They truly seemed to desire to help local businesses succeed.”

—Jeff Wait

**JW Services & Supply, Inc., Avon Park**

“The Florida SBDC has been helpful to me in keeping all certifications in good order since 2009. They have also kept my business guarded against small business ‘WOLVES’ and fraud. I have counted on them for their assistance and guidance for some time now. Thank you, Florida SBDC.”

—Jill Murphy

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