For every state $1 invested in the Florida SBDC, $52 is returned to the state in tax revenue.*

$1 $52

$2.5 Billion

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 respondent clients of outcomes resulting from or in part due to assistance received in 2017-2018**
HELping Businesses Grow & SucceEd

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.

Client Testimonials

Minaya Learning, LLC, Cape Coral
“I have been working with the Florida SBDC for five years now. I have sought out their help in each stage of my company’s growth. The consultants there are most knowledgeable and responsive. I have had excellent outcomes as a result of the direct support I have received from the Florida SBDC team, including Russ Winstead, Kevin Brady, Suzanne Specht, LaShaun Collier and Lois Knox.”

—Guido Minaya

Cape Cleaners, Cape Coral
“[My consultant] Russ is always an asset to Cape Cleaners. Late 2017/early 2018, he negotiated a lease for our newest location which opened in August 2018. He’s often a good sounding board for a new idea or problem solving. Most recently he volunteered a great idea we are going to use for expansion. The fourth Wednesday business chats are a fabulous networking event which I look forward to every month.”

—Dan Puleio

Bravo, Inc., Cape Coral
“[Our consultant] Dan has been so great to work with. He is always available and has such a great knowledge of federal contracting. His continued availability to take calls and questions is a large part of our success. Thank you, Dan, for all that you do!!”

—Stephen Berge