Tennessee Small Business Development Centers



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SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS



TENNESSEE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS (TSBDC)

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ASBDC & TSBDC

The ASBDC was established in 1980.

The TSBDC was established in 1984.



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The ASBDC was designed to bring together federal & state government, higher education, and local business resources to facilitate economic development.

The organization has roughly 1,000 service centers, spanning all 50 states and the territories.

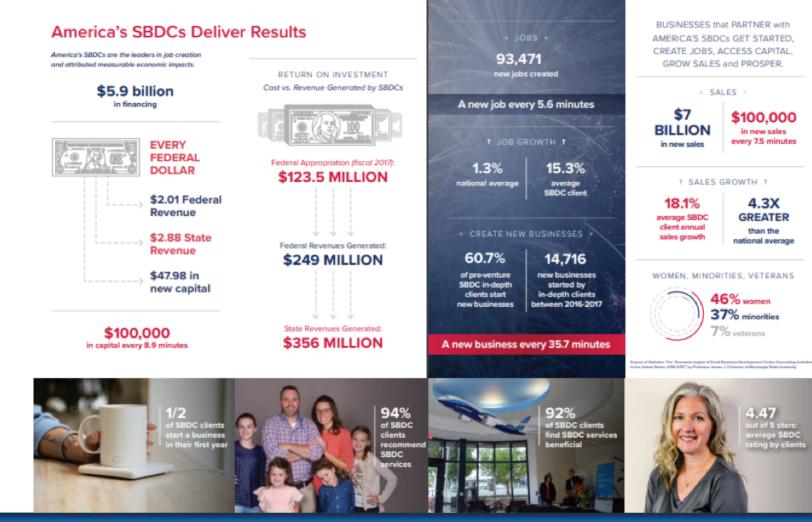
MISSION STATEMENT



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SBA

The mission of America's nationwide network of SBDCs is to help new entrepreneurs realize the dream of business ownership, and assist existing businesses to remain competitive in an everchanging global economy.

ASBDC IMPACT 2019



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TSBDC OFFERINGS

- **Training Classes** How to write a business plan, how to understand financials, social media marketing, etc.
- Online Resources Hiring/managing, business planning, accounting, online marketing and much much more.
- Referrals to Resource Partners We're connected to everyone who wants to serve you and we can provide direction if you're unsure what it is that you need.
- Business Consultation Services Working with you hand-in-hand as you encounter and overcome each new obstacle you're facing.

TRAINING AND CONSULTATION TOPICS (SHORT LIST)

- Business Plans
- Growth Plans
- Company Turnaround
- Operations Analysis
- Marketing
- Buying and Selling a Business
- Human Resource Management

- Preparing Financial Statements
- Financial Analysis
- Project Management
- Government Contracts
- Social Media Marketing
- Business Research
- 3rd Party and Partner Training Classes

TRAINING AND CONSULTATION TOPICS (SOME EXAMPLES)

- Writing or revising your business plan
- Data searches
- Need contact info for all of the beer distributors that are in your state/county/city?
- Need to find out how many households with 3 to 5 kids are in your market?
- Wondering how many females aged 30-45 live within driving distance of your business?
- Maybe you're a commercial cleaning business and need to get a list of all the commercial office buildings in your market so that you can reach out to them?
- Need a list of all the new homeowners in your area?
- Industry data specific to your target market or for your own business
- Standards for your industry so that you can know how you measure up
- Vetted experts in marketing, finance, and bookkeeping that live in your area who can help your small business (some financial assistance available thanks to the CARES Act)

- Training and advice on virtually every aspect of business
 - Management/Operations
- Marketing/Sales
- Finance
- Custom market research
 - Industry data and trends
- Financial ratios
- Demographics and psychographics
- Licensing requirements
- Sample business plans
- Franchise information
- Geographic information

WHAT ISSUES ARE YOU FACING?

HOW TO GET TRAINING

- Step 1 Find the Training You Want to Attend
- Step 2 Sign Up for the Training
- Step 3 Attend Training

FINDING TRAINING

https://www.tsbdc.org/search-for-training/



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Let's Start Your Search For Training

Selecting from one of the options below will start your process of locating available training you can take. To register for a live training seminar, you will need to create a myTSBDC account. Just follow the steps after clicking the register button on the seminar you find in the myTSBDC system.

• The Live Training option allows you to locate classes being provided through all of the TSBDC Service Centers

 On-Demand Training allows you to access the Small Business Survival Training.



FINDING TRAINING

- Selecting the Training by Center option will allow you to select the Service Center based on County.
- If you select Webinar, all webinars, from all Service Centers will be displayed.
- Be aware not all classes are offered virtually.



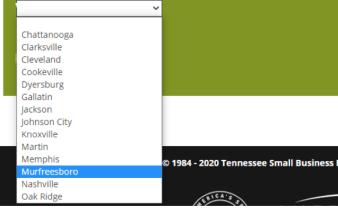
Live Training

This option will allow you to search for both local and online live training that is being offered by centers in your area and across the state using our myTSBDC system. Once you've entered your search criteria, you will be directed to the myTSBDC system to complete your search and registration.

I would like to search for.... *

local training by TSBDC Center
local training by using my Zip Code

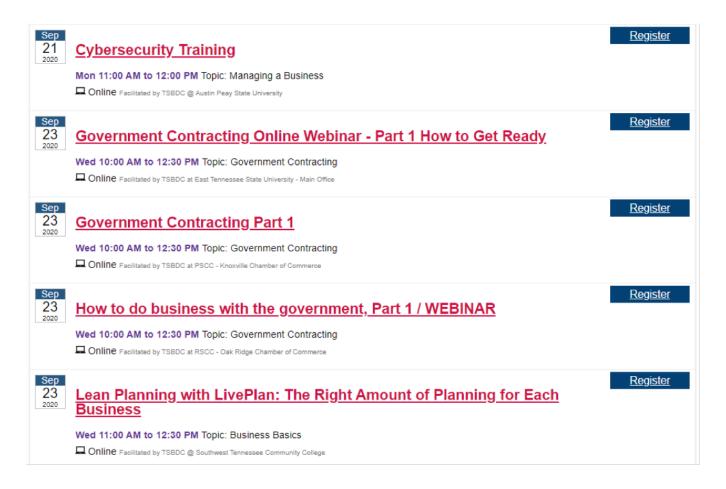
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SIGNING UP FOR TRAINING

The available classes will post in the following format.

- If you already have a profile simply click "Register"
- If you do not have a profile, you will be prompted to create one.
- Click on the class name to see if the class has a fee



ON DEMAND INFORMATION

In addition to classes, we have on demand information on a range of business topics.

ONLINE RESOURCES

Small Business Survival Training





Veterans Resource Guide

Veterans



Managing Cash: The Small Business Owner's Guide to **Financial Control**

Financials

Topic Specific PDF





The Small Business Report Card

A SIMPLE GUIDE TO

YOUR COMPANY'S

FINANCIAL

STATEMENTS

A Simple Guide to Your

Company's Financial

Statements

Financials

Financials







COMMERCIAL

REAL ESTATE

Funding



MARKETING PLAN



A Simple Guide to Your Small Business Marketing Plan

A SMALL BUSINESS



Buying and Selling A Small Business

Business Purchase, Business Sale

Facilities, Real Estate

Small Business

Owner's Guide to

Buying Commercial Real Estate

Marketing



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ONE ON ONE CONSULTATION

Clients have access to one-on-one consultation tailored to the their company.

CUSTOMERS AND CLIENTS

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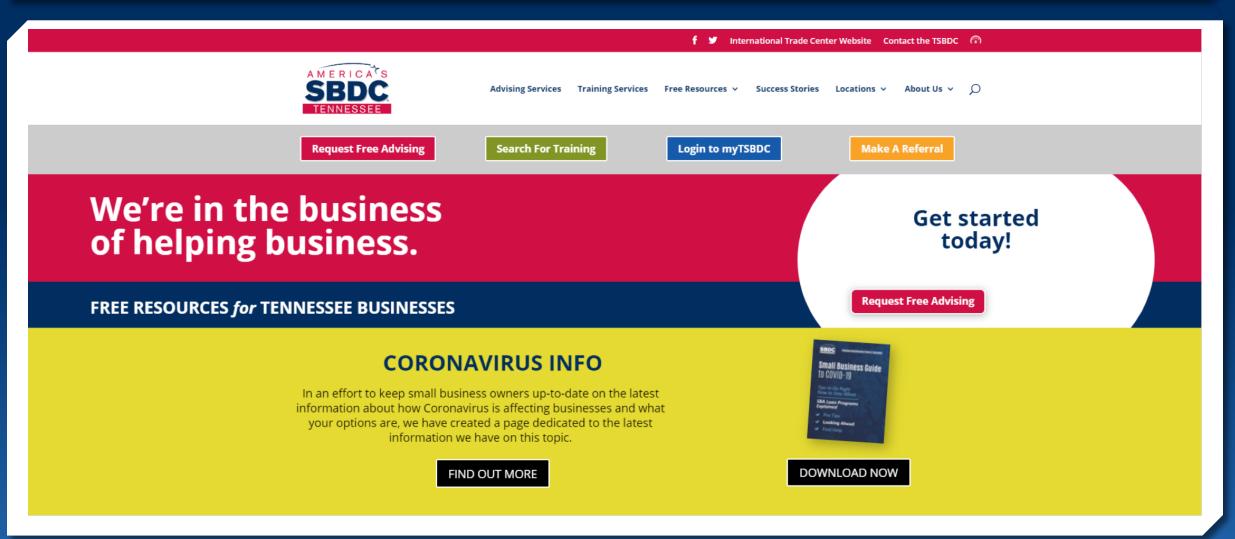
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REQUESTING CONSULTATION

Becoming a Client is a simple, four-step process.

- Go to <u>www.tsbdc.org</u>
- Select "Request Free Advising" from the main page
- Under "Virtual Advising", select your county from the dropdown menu
- Enter your information into the fillable forms

WWW.TSBDC.ORG

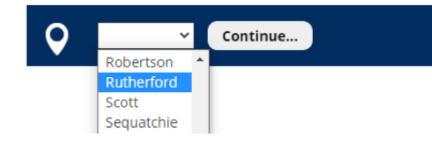


VIRTUAL ADVISING

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With barriers brought on by COVID-19, we believe small businesses still need that human connection to help identify pools of opportunity. With the simple press of a button, you can find yourself face-to-face with a person who wants to help you and your business succeed on every level. Think of it as a virtual whiteboard to capture new ideas. We invite you to join to help pinpoint the best new opportunities for you to pursue for your business.

To start your request for a local advisor, please tell us what Tennessee county you live in or plan to operate your business in:





To help you, we need your help first. Just the basic information to get things rolling. So we can all move forward together. Please take a moment to fill out the form below. We look forward to meeting you virtually very soon.

REGISTER FOR COUNSELING



Register For Counseling

Murfreesboro | TSBDC of Middle Tennessee State University

Enter your email address and click <i>Continue</i> . Email Address		
Email address is used as your unique id		
Continue		

Become a Counseling Client

Please register in order to receive free, confidential business advice from our advisors. Registration is fast, easy, and free.

Our business counseling services are:

- · Effective We have years of experience helping small businesses succeed
- Confidential All our clients, their businesses, and related information are kept strictly confidential we will not sell or provide your information to anyone without your permission.
- Free Our business counseling services are provided free of charge to businesses and entrepreneurs

FUNDING STRUCTURE AND COST

The program is funded through a combination of federal, state, local, in kind, private enterprises, and economic development organizations.







JONES COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Currently, the TSBDC at MTSU's core operations are supported solely by a Federal Grant via the SBA and Matching State Funds from our host institution, the Jones College of Business at Middle Tennessee State University.

FEDERAL GRANT AND METRICS

The Federal Grant which sustains our program has metrics requirements, which we must meet annually, for our grant to be renewed.

- Verification of Impact Forms
- One customer service survey
- One economic survey two years after the business starts



THE MYTHS

- We only work with small companies
- If a company gets too large they can't access our services
- We only work with startups
- We don't assist with Merger and Acquisition or Franchises
- We only work with businesses

THE SMALL MYTH

The 'S' in the acronym TSBDC is misleading; we work with companies of all sizes.

- When a company exceeds the SBA size standards for categorization as a small business, we are still able to provide standard consultation options as with a small business.
- When a company exceeds this threshold, we can no longer consult with them on options available only to small businesses.

THE NEW VENTURE MYTH

TSBDC Service Centers support businesses in all phase of the business lifecycle.

- New Venture
- Sustained Operations (Optimization)
- Growth
- Retrenchment
- Turnaround and Renewal
- Buy and Sell
- Succession

M&A AND FRANCHISE

- Consultation services include M&A (merger & acquisitions) support for both the buying and selling of a business
- The same range of consultation services are available to clients investigating franchise opportunities as are available to clients creating a company.

THE PRIVATE CITIZEN MYTH

The TSBDC can offer our services to State, County, and Municipal (such as Chambers and EDCs) entities as well as citizens.

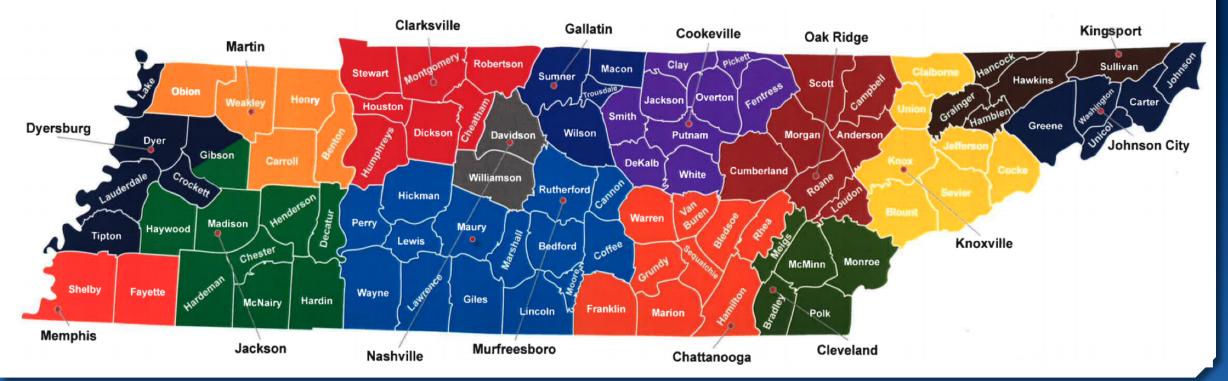
- Research
- Packaging
- Project Management
- Ex: Bringing fiber to your town, commercial/industrial site prep., etc.

TRAINING AND CONSULTATION TOPICS (LIMITATIONS)

- Law
- Tax
- Lenders
- We cannot work with people disbarred from using Federal Programs
- Non Profit Organizations (Exception 501C6 Chambers and Econ Dev Units)

TSBDC AT MTSU COVERAGE

Primary Office: Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce Satellite Office: Maury County Chamber and Economic Alliance Counties: 14 Square Miles: ~7,000



CONTACT INFORMATION

Tennessee Small Business Development Centers

State Website: www.tsbdc.org

MTSU Center Phone: (615) 898-2745 Center Email: <u>mtsu@tsbdc.org</u>

Center Website: www.tsbdc.org/mtsu

Facebook: www.facebook.com/mtsutsbdc/

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Twitter: @mtsutsbdc

Address: TSBDC at MTSU 3050 Medical Center Parkway, Ste 200 Murfreesboro TN, 37129



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JONES COLLEGE OF BUSINESS



THE TEAM



Chris Swoner Specialties: IT Operations, Organizational Development, Strategy, and Training



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- Coffee
- Marshall
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- Lincoln
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- Hickman
- Lewis
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Questions?