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Small Business
Development Centers

THE CALIFORNIA SBDC NETWORK

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Strengthening Small Business Success

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is a leader in providing business owners and entrepreneurs with the tools and guidance needed to be successful.

Direct and personalized help is provided to entrepreneurs through professional expert consulting supplemented by low-cost or free seminars and conferences. These services are delivered throughout California via an extensive network of thirty-five Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs).

The SBDC provides comprehensive business guidance on best practices for small businesses, business plan development, start-up basics, financing, procurement & contracting opportunities, regulatory compliance, money management, international trade, and manufacturing operations. Several SBDCs offer help in multiple languages or target specific populations, such as veterans, women, rural communities, and/or under-represented ethnic groups.

In fiscal year 2006, the California SBDC Network:

Advised **17,361** clients

Provided **68,784** hours of counseling

Held **3,265** business management training sessions

Instructed **46,427** training session attendees

Helped create or retain **3,177** jobs

Helped clients increase sales by **\$155,899,257**

Facilitated **536** small business loans

for a total dollar amount of over **\$66 million**

A State & National Network

The California SBDC Network is part of a national delivery system that assists more than 1.3 million business owners annually. The SBDC was established by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and operates throughout the U.S. with 63 regional Lead Centers overseeing operations in more than 1,100 SBDC service centers.

Most states have one SBDC Lead Center operating under a university or college that administers the service centers in the region. An exception to this is California, where due to its extensive geographical reach and expansive entrepreneurial spirit – has six regional Lead Centers. This is the most of any state! Recognizing the need to optimize the impact in California, the six Lead Centers have joined to create a collaborative recognized as **The California SBDC Network**.

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