## **Ready for new markets?**

# Our Export Marketing Plan Service

will position your company for growth!

Enterprise Florida and the Florida SBDC Network, in partnership with the U.S. Commercial Service, are excited to announce a scholarship to assist qualified Florida "new-to-export" manufacturers and services providers to identify overseas growth strategies through the development of a customized Export Marketing Plan.



- Over 95% of the world's customers are located beyond U.S. borders.
- Exporters realize higher employment growth than non-exporters.
- Most companies that export have an easier time riding out fluctuations in the U.S. economy and are more likely to stay in business.
- Export wages are typically 13–18% higher than non-export wages.

#### The Process

You will meet with a Florida SBDC International Trade specialist to conduct a confidential, in-depth business assessment. The Specialist will prepare and provide your company with a customized Export Marketing Plan.

#### **Qualifications**

- Florida manufacturers and professional services providers only.
- Products must be produced in the state of Florida or services must be provided from a Florida location.
- New-to-export or infrequent exporters preferred.
- Minimum of two years in business.
- Five or more full-time employees.
- \$500,000 to \$10 million in annual sales.

#### Cost to Qualifying Company - \$500

The cost for preparation of an Export Marketing Plan is \$5,000. Qualifying companies are eligible for a \$4,500 scholarship, making the cost to your company \$500.

### **Grants for Overseas Opportunities**

Upon acceptance of the Export Marketing Plan, companies may apply for grants from Enterprise Florida that will help them enter or expand in new markets. Reimbursable Gold Key/Matchmaker grants cover the cost of a single one-on-one business matchmaking service in a market recommended in the Export Marketing Plan, while Trade Show Grants will cover a portion of select turnkey booth package costs when exhibiting at an overseas trade show. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/tradegrants">www.enterpriseflorida.com/tradegrants</a> or contact your local Enterprise Florida trade representative.







#### **Program Benefits**

Target key markets

**Focus** on successful country launch strategies

**Expand** your overseas promotion campaign options

"If I can share anything with other small business owners about the [Florida] SBDC, Enterprise Florida and other similar resources is that these folks are truly here to help and serve as a resource."

James Spencer, Founder of Crescent Womb of Pinellas County

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