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ANNUAL REPORT 2022

BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC FUTURE

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In In the past year, we continued to recognize our leadership role as an economic development leader in the region and worked hard to meet the needs of our businesses and communities.

We have continued to identify all available resources for our businesses to weather the economic challenges and create new opportunities. Working with our local, state, and federal partners, we were able to support our businesses by providing resiliency resources, direct grant funding, technical assistance, business development support, financing, and other necessary resources.

We have been reminded daily why our community's businesses and people are known for our great sense of community and collaboration. We thank you for your continued support.

Onward and upward!



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Collective impact in the past year has included:

Collaborating with several partners including the New Hampshire Small Business Development Center, New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority, United States Small Business Administration, the New Hampshire Business Finance Authority and our partner regional development corporations, we were able to provide two full-time small business advisors to work one on one with businesses daily in Belknap County and the Greater Lake Region.

Working one on one with more than 200 small businesses supporting their financial planning, marketing strategies, business plan development, and other management strategies.

Partnering with several agencies to secure more than \$150,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds and other grant funds for the region to provide more resources for our businesses.



Belknap EDC Executive Director, Justin Slattery (left) with Dana Nute (right), Resilient Buildings Group (RBG) President. In 2022, RBG supported Belknap EDC by purchasing NH tax credits, which were awarded to Belknap EDC to support economic development initiatives in the county.

Developing new sources of revolving loan funds by working with the New Hampshire Business Finance Authority to help our businesses be able to access gap financing and capital.

Securing grant funds to increase our staff and capacity to better serve our community and have more impact.

MORE THAN 30 YEARS OF IMPACT

As Belknap EDC celebrates over 30 years, we are proud to share a snapshot of what just one year of business counseling impact means.



228 Clients served by NH SBDC Business Advising



754 advising hours



12 business starts



59 Jobs created



\$2.4 million in sales growth

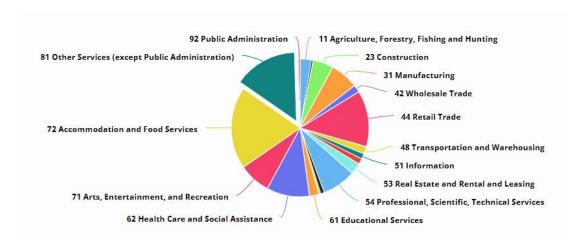


\$5.4 million in capital investments

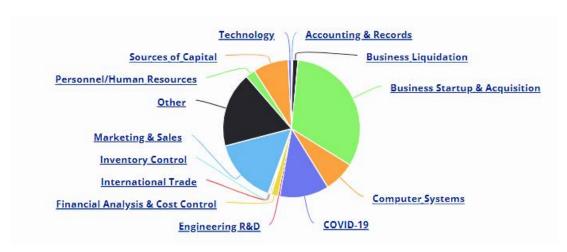


\$81.5 million in annual sales of the impacted clients

Top Areas of Counseling:



Top Industries in Counseling:



OUR STRATEGIC PLAN

Belknap EDC has continued to implement its strategic work plan which focuses on our economic development efforts in the coming year in Belknap County. Key focuses of the plan include:

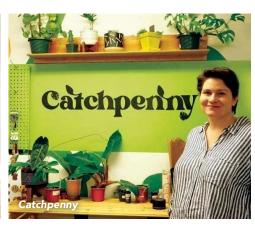
- Develop a Business Friendly Culture that Fosters Entrepreneurship
- Encourage an Increase in the Number & Diversity of Businesses
- Strengthen Partnerships & Collaboration to Ensure County's Economic Success
- Attract & Steward Diverse Capital to Serve Evolving Needs of our Businesses & Communities

SUCCESS STORIES

With Belknap EDC's support in the last year, whether through financing, counseling, or both, these Lakes Region Businesses have achieved successful openings and are thriving. We are proud to support them and wish them all continued success.







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