

Tallahassee Small Business Assistance Fair Highly Successful

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.---- The SBDC at FAMU in conjunction with Florida First Capital Finance Corporation and various local economic development agencies hosted a Small Business Assistance Fair on Friday, August 24, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event was held at Tallahassee Community College, Legislative Research Center (Bldg. 30), 444 Appleyard Drive, Tallahassee, Fl. 32304.

“Collaboration leads to outreach, and outreach leads to awareness about these available resources.” said Travis Yelverton, Director, Existing Industry Development for the Economic Development Council of Tallahassee/Leon County, Inc. “The EDC is dedicated to assisting our existing local businesses prosper and expand in our area.”

The event was geared towards small business owners and managers seeking expansion, contacts, advice, and business financing information. Participating partners included The Economic Development Council of Tallahassee/Leon County, Inc., Workforce Plus, SCORE, Tallahassee Community College and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

“It is vitally important that area small businesses have access to the information and resources that they need to be competitive. Small business success is key to promoting job and wealth creation in communities,” added Rob Nixon, Director of the Small Business Development Center at FAMU.

This event combines education, networking and best business practices through “face-to-face” consultation with key agencies and financial institutions. Sessions included hands-on workshops designed to outline Business Basics, Small Business Assistance Programs, Business Financing and Small Business Enterprise and Government Contracting Programs. These workshops are appropriate for all small businesses.