Small Business Fact Sheet

Polk City

Polk City's future looks bright with its continuing expansion and growth in the housing, commercial, and industrial markets.

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Polk City, FL 33868
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mypolkcity.org

A Business Friendly Community

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Polk City, FL, 33868
(863) 984-1375 x 239
mypolkcity.org

Polk City
Community Development Department
(863) 984-1375

Community & Small Business
(863) 534-5915
polk-county.net

Florida Division of Corporations
sunbiz.org

Polk County Business License
430 East Main Street
Bartow, FL 33830
polktaxes.com

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Area Market Profile - State & Local Incentives

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State of Florida

- NO corporate income tax on limited partnerships
- NO corporate income tax on subchapter S-corporations
- NO state personal income tax guaranteed by constitutional provision
- NO corporate franchise tax on capital stock
- NO state-level property tax assessed
- NO property tax on business inventories
- NO sales and use tax on goods manufactured or produced in Florida for export outside the state
- NO sales tax on purchases of raw materials incorporated in a final product for resale, including non-reusable containers or packaging
- NO sales/use tax on co-generation of electricity

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- Ad Valorem Tax Exemption
- Designated Foreign Trade Zone
- Cost-effective environment for business

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- Polk City's Local Incentives Here!

Polk County's location and its rural communities offer unique advantages to companies relocating or establishing a new business.

Area Market Profile

General Information

Population 2015: 1,586
Population Forecast 2020: 1,613

Median Household Income: $43,446
Median Household Income Forecast 2020: $49,907

* Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Esri forecasts for 2015 & 2020

Polk City Highlights

Balloons & Beyond
Fantasy of Flight
Polk City BBQ Company
General James A. Van Fleet State Trail

Polk City is less than 35 minutes from LEGOLAND ® & within a half hour's drive to Walt Disney World Resort

Colleges & Universities

Polk State College
Southeastern University
Florida Southern College
Florida Polytechnic University
Warner University
Webber International University
Southern Technical College
Florida Technical College

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Community & Small Business Assistance

Our services assist the community by

- Identifying areas of strength & investment
- Assisting in strategic planning for community growth
- Evaluating a community's needs & identifying ideal target industries
- Assisting in developing inventory of community resources, physical & economic assets
- Providing guidance on how to craft a marketable presence
- Positioning your community to attract & maintain businesses that complement community resources
- Providing grant information for small business & community needs
- Identifying & framing the physicality of an area & associated considerations, through a visioning process

"We help position communities & small businesses for success through education, technical assistance and research."

"Polk County strives to ensure each community & its residents have access to the assistance & resources they need to grow and succeed."

Community & Small Business Assistance

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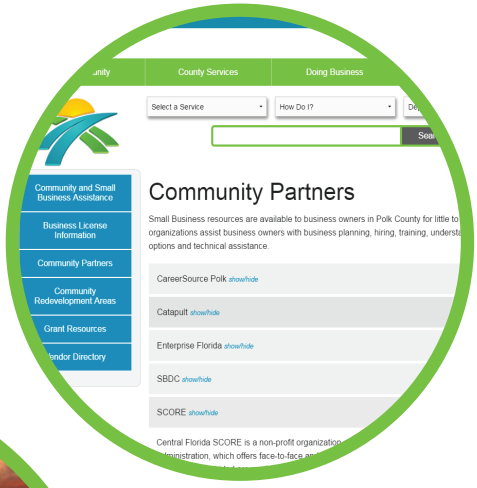
Visit us at www.polk-county.net for more information on:

Business Tax Receipts
Community Partners
Grant Resources
The Small Business Guide
Community Redevelopment Areas
Vendor Directory



Community Grants Example

Grant Name: FL1094 Comptetitive Florida Partnership - FY 2017

Time & Dates: Three grant dates available throughout the year - last was 05/02/2016 *

Synopsis: provide monetary awards & technical assistance to rural areas looking to improve their communities through economic development

Eligible Applicants: municipal & county governments, community action agencies, cities

Grant Range: up to $40,000 in period of two years

Other Grants Available:

EWT (CETA)
Incumbent Worker Training (IWT)
OJT (On the Job Training)
Florida Flex
Impact Polk
Veteran's Training Grant
SBIR & STTR

Grant Name: US15723 Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG)

Time & Dates: go to www.rd.usda.gov

Synopsis: support expansion or small and emerging private & non-profit businesses in rural areas

Eligible Applicants: rural agencies including towns

Grant Range: $10,000 to $500,00

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