# **Illinois Small Business Development Center** at Harper College

The Illinois Small Business Development Center at Harper College (SBDC) provides **no-cost**, confidential **one-on-one business consulting** and **affordable** training seminars. Our small business advisers act as your sounding board, helping you work through management, marketing, finance and operational business issues.

Our team has significant experience in owning and growing businesses and will share their real-world, practical business experience at no cost to you. From someone who has an idea for a home-based business to an established company in need of capital to finance their next stage of growth, we work closely with our clients to find solutions.

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"I would absolutely recommend the services of the Illinois SBDC at Harper College. Everyone needs a mentor. The advisors at the Illinois SBDC are your biggest cheerleaders. And the services don't cost you anything."

## DANIELLAH SALARIO

Owner, Assisting Hands Home Care, Arlington Heights, IL

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# Why Illinois SBDC at Harper College?

Our talented team of seasoned business advisors will help you identify, understand and overcome the challenges of running a successful business.

# We Know Small Business

Our advisors have real-world experience owning and operating businesses.

### Unbiased Perspective

Our services and advice are provided from an independent standpoint on a confidential basis.

#### Value

The Small Business Administration, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and Harper College pays for the consulting we provide. You incur no cost.

#### Tools

We use a wide range of consulting tools like Profit Mastery<sup>™</sup>, GrowthWheel<sup>™</sup>, Reference USA<sup>™</sup>, and IBIS World<sup>™</sup> that can help you grow your business.

- Businesses working with an SBDC experience an average sales increase of 14.1% — That's 8X greater than the average sales increase of 1.6% for businesses in general.\*
- SBDCs helped clients obtain an estimated \$4.48 billion in financing each year. Every \$1 spent on the SBDC network enabled small businesses to access \$43.92 in new capital.\*
- The Illinois SBDC at Harper College works with hundreds of local small businesses every year.

\*Data provided by SBA



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