



South Haven Region Business Hub

Who We Are

Every economic development strategy needs a small business dynamic. Much of the nation's growth comes from organizations employing fewer than 50 people. The South Haven region is a rural community that has seen a decline in small businesses over the past 10 years and has been less than successful in replenishing its small business sector. Missing from the South Haven region is the business excitement, vigorous activity, and progress around small businesses.

This vision led to the formation of the partnership called the South Haven Region Business Hub.

1. **Our Mission:** Making the South Haven Region a place where entrepreneurs want to start and grow.
2. **Our Tagline:** It takes a community to raise an entrepreneur!
3. **Guiding Principles:** Combining collective knowledge, connections, and resources of the community, creating initiatives, and partnerships for *all* our local entrepreneurs.
4. **What we do:** We provide access to universities, financial institutions, local mentors, SCORE, SBDC, WBC, experts in your space, and economic development agencies.
 - Free one-on-one mentoring.
 - Small business resources on funding, tools, and templates.
 - Workshops and networking to build business acumen.
 - Roundtables to engage the larger business community.
 - Sounding boards to take advantage of the depth of breadth of experiences.
 - (Coming Soon) A shared space incubator.
5. **Our Partners:** City of South Haven, South Haven Area Chamber of Commerce, Lake Michigan College, and the South Haven Foundation.

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