

FREE SERVICES FOR BUSINESS OWNERS

Understanding Exit Planning Process & Options

As you think about the future, are you –and your business – ready?

As many as 28,000 Massachusetts small businesses could sell or close over the next several years. For every business that sells, 9 will close.

With funding from the **MA Growth Capital Corporation**, CDI provides **free feasibility study** for eligible business owners* who want to plan begin to plan for their eventual exit.

Your study will include:



Financial assessment: a financial analysis and assessment of what your business is worth



Business assessment: a review of business management and marketing strategies

Workforce assessment: an analysis of leadership strengths, weaknesses and opportunities

Each assessment will include recommendations that could make your business more profitable, sustainable and resilient, and better position you and your business for your eventual exit.



*Eligible businesses have 2 - 20 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees that are from underserved constituencies, including: businesses located in economically disadvantaged urban/rural communities or a Gateway City; Low-to-Moderate Income Entrepreneurs; women, minority, veteran, disabled LGBTQ+, immigrant business owners.

Study facilitated by:

Rob Brown: exit planning educator & nationally recognized expert of employee ownership transitions.

Bill Jenkins: has many years of experience in business governance, management and finance.

Andy Danforth, CPA: specializes in business financial management, analysis and valuation.

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