

ON THE ROAD TO MEETING OUR MISSION

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IN MEMORIAM: JOE WOLFE

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With deep sorrow, WBD shares the sad news of the passing of Joe Wolfe, former President/CEO of WBD.

Joe was devoted to WBD for over 30 years. He began as a Board Member in 1986 and later joined the company as Executive Vice President in 1997. He was elected President & CEO in 2004 upon the retirement of WBD's founder, John Giegel. Joe remained CEO until his retirement in 2014.

In addition to his focus on WBD, Joe was also a leader of the CDC industry serving as a NADCO Board Member and later as Chairman of the Board. He served as the chairperson of the WICPA's educational committee for not-for-profit organizations, and also served on the Board of Directors of the Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce.

During his tenure at WBD, Joe was instrumental in expanding our services to better support our lending partners and helping small businesses gain access to various forms of capital. He started our affiliate, WBD Service Company, to provide lender services support for SBA 7(a) lending and also started another affiliate, the Wisconsin Business Growth Fund, to provide New Market Tax Credits (NMTC). His leadership was recognized nationally in 2013, as he represented WBD in Washington D.C., accepting the award for large CDCs.

Joe was very passionate about WBD and the staff so we think it is appropriate that we share one of Joe's favorite comments about WBD – "We are good people doing good things for good people!"

Rest in peace, Joe.



"We are good people doing good things for good people!"

-Joe Wolfe







The past year was amazing. After a record year in 2021, we continued the trend in 2022 and set another all-time high in the number of businesses we were able to assist utilizing the SBA 504 program.

We have been on the road to a better, faster and more efficient WBD with a series of technological and process improvements. Powered by a team of dedicated and talented employees, WBD has nearly tripled its loan volume when compared to just a few years ago.

Every day the WBD team focuses on moving our customers down the road from learning about the 504 program, to underwriting the loan and finally securing the funds. Since we do it hundreds of times each year, we are good at it!

We have also set out on a path to raise the profile of WBD and the SBA 504 program by directly reaching potential customers through advertising, social media and building new partnerships. These efforts help empower businesses to advocate for financing that best meets their needs.

As a nonprofit, our journey continues beyond our day-to-day work. Our destination is to fulfill our mission of helping businesses grow, create jobs and build communities. WBD is working hard to network with organizations who share a similar mission. We do this by reinvesting in other economic development activities throughout our service area. Through these efforts, we are expanding our impact.

I am proud to report that in the past year WBD has provided over \$400,000 of financial resources to selected organizations engaged in a variety of projects aimed at helping people find jobs, grow their business or gain access to capital.

This year's report will take you down the road we travel at WBD, highlighting both the work we do and some of the accomplishments we achieved during our journey in 2022.

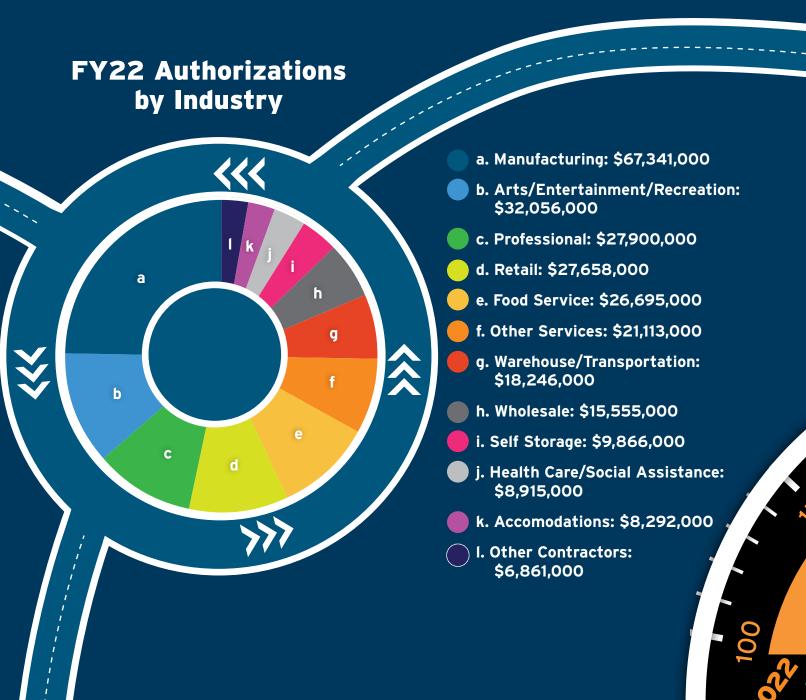
These are exciting times at WBD. Although the road may be bumpy in 2023, we will remain focused on our destination.

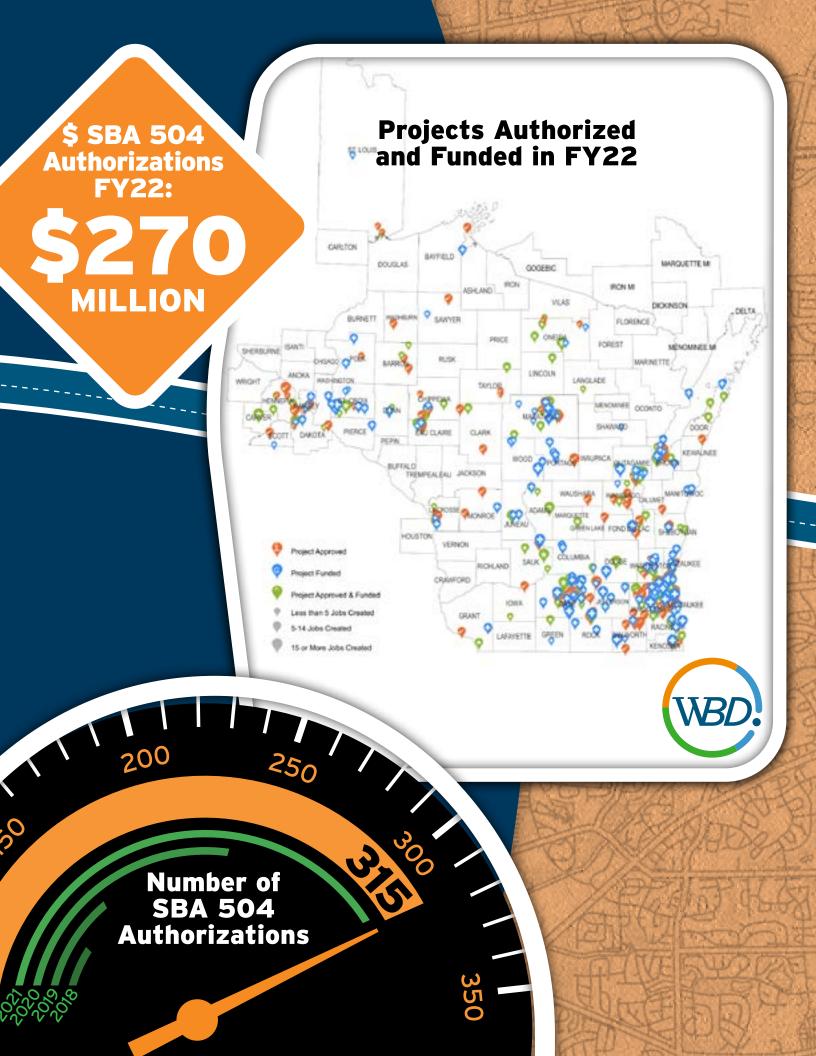
Sincerely

DAN SCHNEIDER, President/CEO

On the road to LOAN APPROVAL

Once we identify a project, our team works to tell the business's story and win approval from the SBA. With this strategy, WBD has successfully secured over 270 million dollars for businesses across our service area in a wide range of industries.







NUMBER OF JOBS
CREATED/RETAINED BY
NEW AUTHORIZATIONS
EACH YEAR - LAST 5 YEARS

784 2018



WBD is a non-profit businesses, create



3,018 2022

1,959 1,302 2021

2020

75,080

jobs created/ retained since 1981

with a mission to grow jobs and build communities.

On the road to STRONGER LENDER RELATIONSHIPS

With every project, WBD partners with local lenders to meet the business's needs. We work hard to build strong relationships with commercial lenders across our service area and stand ready to serve them with services beyond the 504 loan as well.

10 LENDERS ACHIEVE ELITE STATUS IN FY 2022

WBD recognizes those lenders who do at least 10 SBA 504 loans to be "WBD Elite Lenders."

This year's class includes:



Dave Goodno BMO Harris



Michael Lindert Bank of Mauston



Mary Chandler BMO Harris



Kurt Rheingans West Pointe Bank



Phil Whitehead Blackhawk Bank



Adam Lange BLC Community



Lynn Sigfred First Midwest Bank



Richard Jacob Citizens State Bank of Loyal



WBD IS PROUD TO WORK WITH MANY LENDERS

We also provided additional services to help them succeed

WBD worked directly with

105

financial institutions

222

lenders

first-time lenders



Laura Peterson Monona Bank



Matt Gibbs Farmers and Merchants Union Bank

The WBD Service Company provides other SBA services to banks who want to help clients with SBA resources, but need some assistance.

WBD SERVICE COMPANY FISCAL YEAR 22 WBD packaged

SBA
7(a)
loans

\$54,303,700 new business investment

& helped create
238
new jobs

Active LSP agreements with 124 institutions

On the road to MEETING OUR MISSION

With our growing success, we are able to support other organizations doing work aligned with our mission to grow businesses, create jobs and build communities. In 2022, we invested over \$420,000 in these efforts!

WBD's 504
Portfolio Balance
at the End of Fiscal
Year (millions)

\$715 2019



YEAR 2022 MISSION DESTINATIONS



WISCONSIN VETERANS

CHAMBER - Helping construct the nation's first veteran job board connected to the system used by the service during discharge. WBD is a major sponsor of this effort to engage businesses looking for employees and connect them with the 3000+ people leaving the service for our area each year.



ENTREPRENEUR FUND (EF) - WBD is continuing a multi-year engagement with the EF. Our last investment helped initiate and identify potential participants for a business accelerator program in the Northern WI/Duluth/Iron Range area, where attracting new businesses can be difficult. The next step is to build out an investor network to support these companies as they scale.

\$954 2022

\$843 0 2021

2020

\$790



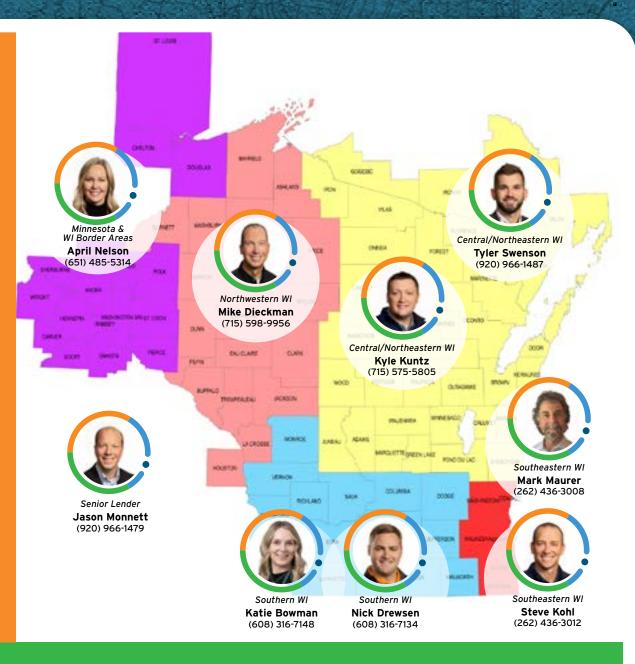
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DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(WEDA) - Providing major
sponsorship to Wisconsin's
Premier Economic Development
Association. WBD's support
will help develop talent in
economic development, provide
scholorships for WEDA programs,
improve WEDA's visibility and
commission a childcare and
workforce literature review.



NEW NORTH - The New North is the regional economic development hub for Northwest WI. WBD is the sponsor for a regional "Shark Tank" like business pitch contest. Nine county economic development corporations will create six entrepreneurial pitch contests. Winners will advance to the NEW Launch Alliance Regional contest where they will compete for cash prizes. These contests will attract around 50 new and growing companies.



WIVA - SE WISCONSIN - WBD will this year help expand KIVA lending to SE Wisconsin. KIVA is a small dollar, crowdfunded financing source. While anyone in the world can access the site, its adoption in any areas takes some time and is greatly enhanced with local staff who can spread the word and help people get started. WBD is proud to help bring this support to WWBIC and grow another KIVA community.



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