Lombard Business Retention & Engagement

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What is Economic Development?

"Economic Development is more than just throwing money at a project"

William Heniff
Daily Herald, May 9, 2011

What is your first step? Where do you start?

Who or what is the focus of your effort?

Who needs to be involved—short/long term?

What do structure, program and process entail?

How will success be defined?

How do you communicate with key stakeholders?

How long will it take to see tangible results?

Workforce Trends

Skills-Education Gap

A recent Deloitte report on manufacturing identified a shortage of critical talent <u>at all</u> <u>levels</u>.

Going beyond Degrees

"Having a degree just proves that you finished two years of school. It doesn't really demonstrate what you learned in school or if you're ready to apply it in a job. But if you prepare for certification exams through school, it doesn't just prove that I graduated with a two-year degree, but that I can actually do a specific job."

Going beyond S-T-E-M...

Science, Technology, Engineering, Math

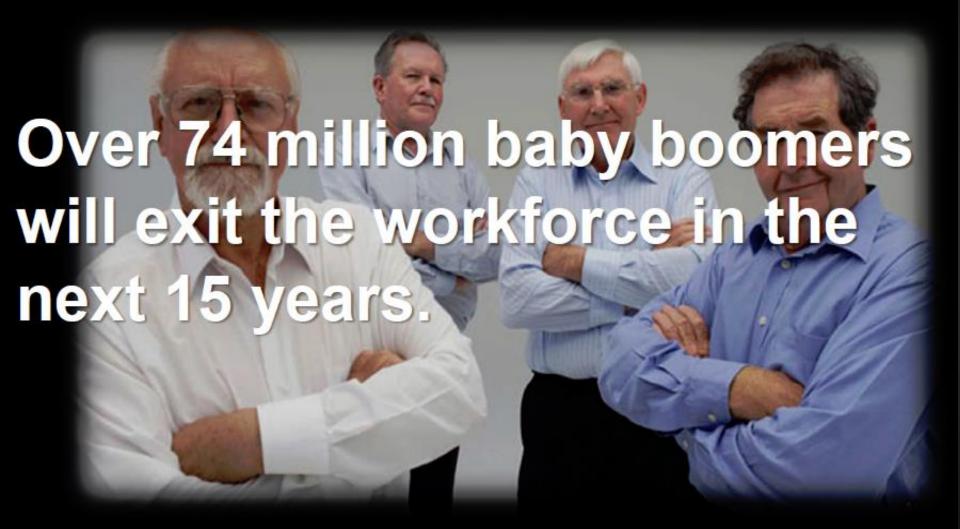
Ultimately, this highly connected world will usher in a new era of higher education one that is focused on helping students understand how deeply networked systems of people, programs, and machines join together to make our workplaces function.

Part-Timers

The Labor Department has been collecting (parttime workforce data) since 1968, a time when only 13.5% of US employees were part-timers. That number peaked at 20.1% in January 2010. The latest data point—over five years later—is only modestly lower at 18.6% last month. If the prerecession percentage is a recovery target, we're only about half-way there.

Nearly half of the 26.5 million Americans (46%) who work part-time are desperate to work full-time, according to a new report — "A Tale of Two Workforces: The Benefits and Burdens of Working Part Time" — by Rutgers University. The vast majority of the nation's 26 million part-time workers from college students working in coffee shops between classes to freelance computer software designers working for multinationals — receive no benefits beyond their paychecks and almost onethird say their financial condition is flat out poor.

Boomers





Factors

Leaving a deficit in total, net employment Creating a shortage of skills/knowledge New burdens on pensions, healthcare, etc. Huge loss in consumer demand/spending Changing the face of "retirement" Bad in US, worse throughout the globe

Freelancers

By 2020, 40% of the US workforce (or 60 million people) will be freelance workers.

Factors

Ubiquitous high speed web access
Explosion of mobile applications
New acceptable workplace ecosystems
Culture of Millennials/Generation Y
Business cost containment (healthcare)

Factors

Largest, most diverse generation in the US Have been shaped by technology Value community, family and creativity High investment in human capital Likely to stay with early stage employers longer

Delay or forgo marriage and home

Education Gaps

"...starting school behind makes it likely that early disadvanges will persist as children progress through school—and last into their entire adult lives."

Source: Economic Policy Institute June 17, 2015

SO, WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN?

As economic developers, we have to adapt to this change or become irrelevant to the private sector.

So, what keeps them up at night?



Fortune 500 Challenges

Increased Regulation

69%

Rapid Technological Change

65%

Cybersecurity

58%

Competition

21%

Diversity

21%

Economic Development

Growing the Economy



The vast majority of jobs are created by businesses that start up or are already present in a state — not by the relocation or branching into a state by out-of-state firms. Jobs that move into one state from another typically represent only 1 to 4 percent of total job creation each year, depending on the state. Jobs created by out-of-state businesses expanding into a state through the opening of new branches represent less than one-sixth of total job creation. In other words, "home-grown" jobs contribute more than 80 percent of total job creation in every state.

Moreover, most startups fail. Within five years, more than half are gone and many others go out of business a few years later. Among the survivors, most start small and stay small.

Source: State Job Creation Strategies Often Off Base 2/03/2016

New Firms

High birth rates
High mortality rates
Low impact (jobs, investment, wages)
Resource and cost intensive
Inexperienced, unsophisticated decision makers
Low multiplier effect (economic spin)

Prospect (FDI) Firms

Extremely competitive market

Economic development inflation

Moderate-to-high impact (jobs, investment, wages)

Resource and cost intensive

Highly experienced, sophisticated decision makers

High multiplier effect (economic spin)

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Existing Firms

Home court advantage
Moderate-to-high impact (jobs, investment, wages)
Resource and cost effective
Moderately experienced, sophisticated decision makers
High multiplier effect (economic spin)
High ROI

Customer Retention



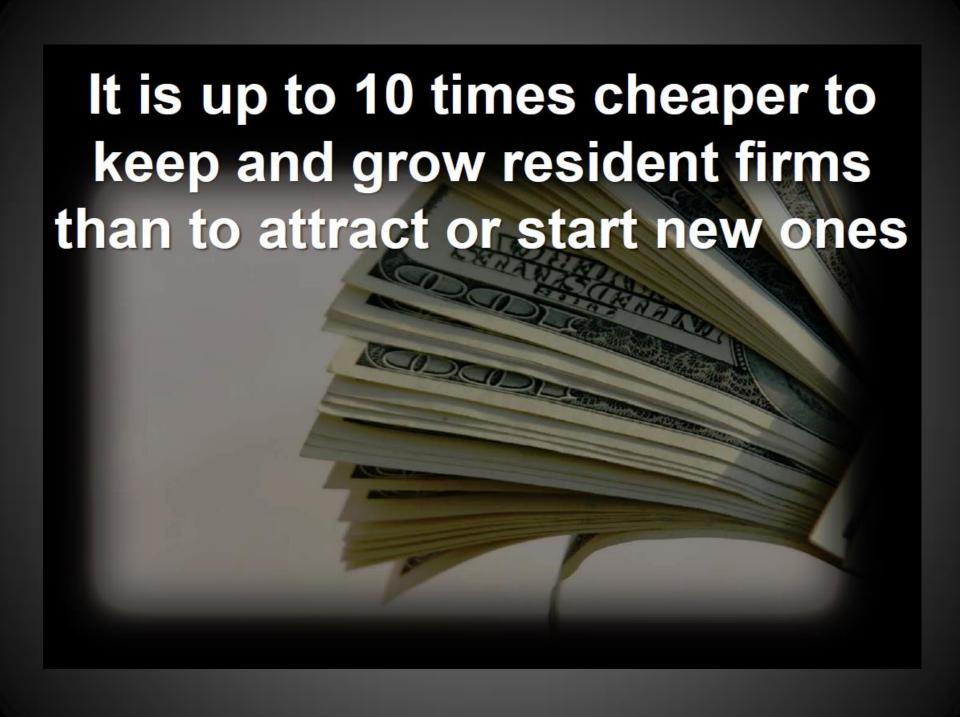
It occurs when you consistently meet customer expectations.

It takes 12 positive customer experiences to overcome a negative one.

Why Business Retention?

It generates 70-85% of all jobs and investment impact in your trading area—regardless of your success with recruitment and entrepreneurial development

It allows you to interact with, and get feedback from, your actual customers—those businesses with an intimate understanding of the market.





It is a "team sport" that facilitates a cohesive and collaborative approach to economic development



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"Old School" BR&E

Richmond Starting Business Retention and Expansion Program

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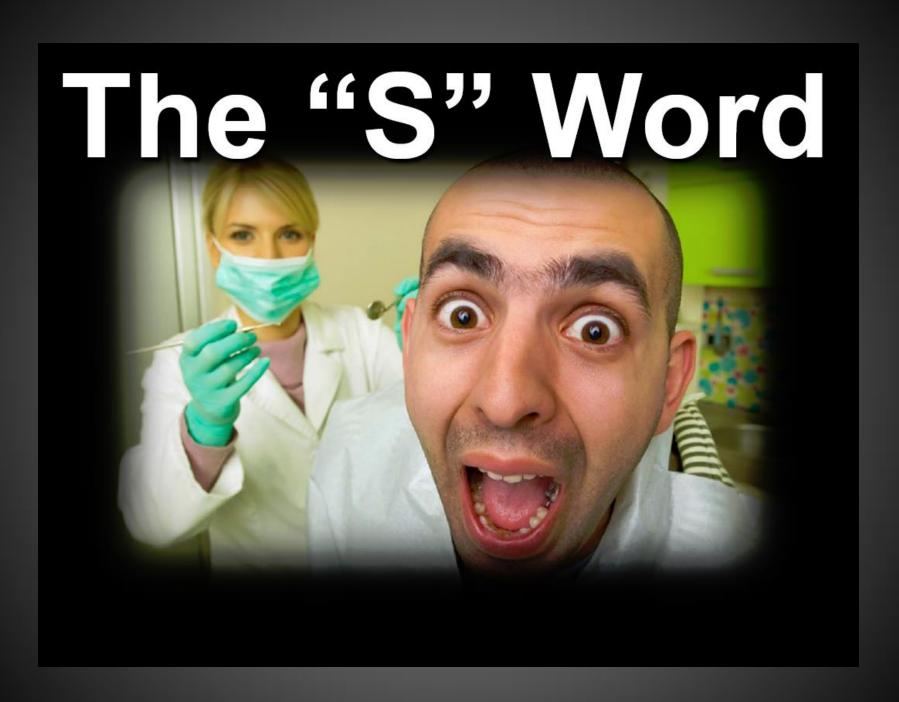
RICHMOND - Richmond is starting its area business retention and expansion program on Thursday.

The program will work with area businesses to give them feedback on how to be more competitive. A group of 20 to 40 volunteers will visit about 80 businesses.

During a visit, two volunteers will gather information on business strengths and weaknesses using a 10page questionnaire. After results are gathered, a task force will review the findings to present to the city.

Adeel Ahmed is an associate extension professor at the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality and will be leading the program. He says they are sill looking for about 20 volunteers.

Anyone interested can send Ahmed an email at ahme0004@umn.edu, they can also attend the first training session on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Jerry's Firehouse Grill in Richmond. A second training session will take place on January 20th before the program gets started.





Percentage of newly created digital data that's never analyzed.

Source: MIT Technology Review

"We are focusing more on providing assistance to companies and not so much on gathering individual company data. Therefore, we streamlined the survey so that our partners focus more on problem solving."



Former Program Manager, Grow Seattle City of Seattle, Washington



Aftercare

Aftercare Begins

The day after you win an FDI or investment/attraction project, your aftercare program should begin.

One-To-One

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Drucker on Customers and Resources

"In an economic cause, one asks:
Is this the best application of our
scarce resources? There is so much
work to be done. Let's put our
resources where the results are."

Peter Drucker

Managing the Non-Profit (1992)

Customer Relationship Management (CRM)

Not a technology or set of technologies

Source: Peppers and Rogers

Customer Relationship Management (CRM)

An approach that takes you toward customers--backed up by a thoughtful investment in people, technology and business processes.

Source: Peppers and Rogers

"If the only tool you have is a hammer, you will see every problem as a nail."

"Old" Marketing Model

The fold model" treats all customers the same.

The endgame is increased market share.

"New" Marketing Model

The "new model" treats all customers differently.

The endgame is increased share of the customer.



Reward Zone customers account for only 30% of transactions at Best Buy but spend more than twice as much as regular customers.

(\$850 versus \$400 per year)



GeekWire, January 27, 2015

The Learning Relationship

Operate on a "need to know" basis.

KNOWEVERYTHING
ABOUT YOUR
CUSTOMERS.

Customers

"Good" Money

Money that flows into a local economy from competitive companies that sell outside the local economy.

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"Neutral" Money

Money that circulates within the local economy. (Sometimes referred to as the multiplier effect.)

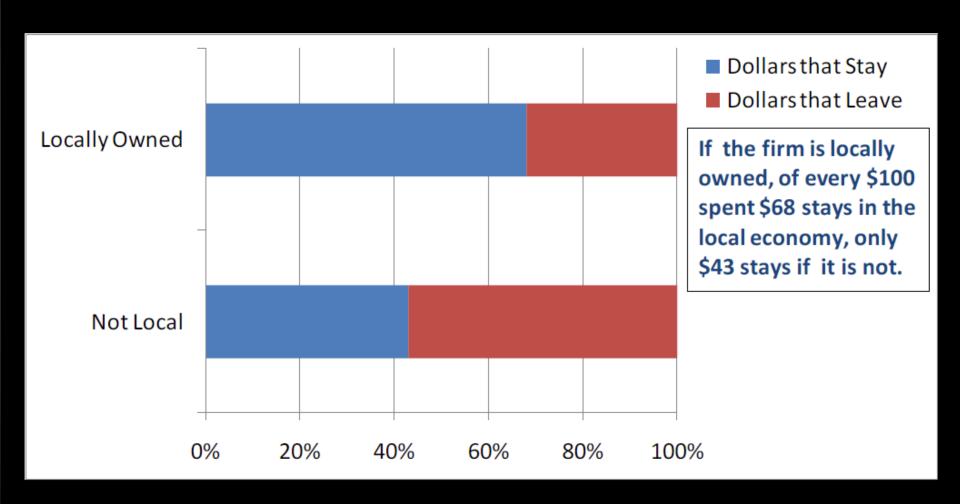
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"Bad" Money

Money that leaks out of the local economy in the form of people or purchases.

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Local Ownership



Your Best Bet Customers

Create wealth by exporting goods/services (good money)

Provide quality jobs and high wages

Generate capital investment in the community

Incorporate technology into products and processes

Are eligible for ED programs and resources

Want our help to stay and grow

Grown locally

Objective, Outcomes & Benefits

Outcomes

Thank the CEO (show the love)

Learn about the company and match needs to available programs

Use CEO views and opinions to create a better business climate

Benefits

Directs ED resources to your 'best' firms

Assists firms in becoming globally competitive

Creates a more accountable ED 'system'

Galvanizes the ED Community

Stretches limited ED resources

Customer Outreach Checklist

- Systematic and sustainable
- Relationship based
- Value (ROI) for the customer
- Recency and frequency of interactions
- Focused on tangible outcomes
- Strategic focus on select customers
- Driving programs, policies, strategies

Customer Care



Capable of filling all company needs

Is wide and deep

Dynamic, agile

Team protocols/rules of engagement

Regular team meetings/accountability

Provides transparent client service

No sacred cows!

- A sales, marketing and tech function
- Must have "street cred"
- Based on metrics/measurements
- Not chasing moving targets
- **Promoting direct & indirect outcomes**
- Not a popularity contest!
- The key determinant of success

Customer Outreach

A Static Approach...

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A Dynamic Approach...

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New Framework

Social Media
Business Walks
Focus Groups
High Value Content
Traditional Outreach

100+

Formal Visitation

- One-to-one with a key decision maker
- The annual "deep dive check up"
- Value (ROI) for the customer
- Determining needs
- Feedback on business climate

High Value Content

Many-to-many interactions/dynamic

Relevant, value added topics

Informal, social networking

Understanding needs

Feedback on business climate

Allows for customer segmentation

Focus Groups

Group interactions and dynamic

Built on common denominators

Synergies on overarching needs

Synergies on business climate

Allows for customer segmentation

Focus Group: Logistics

Develop a working committee
Examine "Best Practices"
Conduct a "Compression Planning
Session"
Employ Creative Staffing Solutions

Business Walks

Many-to-one interactions and dynamic Geographically-based Quick share and care session Provides forum for many stakeholders Allows for customer segmentation

Questions

How is Business?

What do you like most about doing business in the region?

What can be done to make your business thrive?

What specific information would you like to have access to?

Social Media

All types of interactions

Various "channels"

Used to disseminate information

For policy and/or strategy positions

To send "trial balloons"

Used to promote the market area

Typical Frequency

TYPE OF OUTREACH	ANNUAL GOAL
Formal Visitation	500
High Value Content	24
Focus Groups	12
Business Walks	24
Social Media	1,500

"Every customer contact must be informed, specific, fully individualized and personal. Each customer contact is perceived as intensely personal because it is crafted specifically for the individual customer."

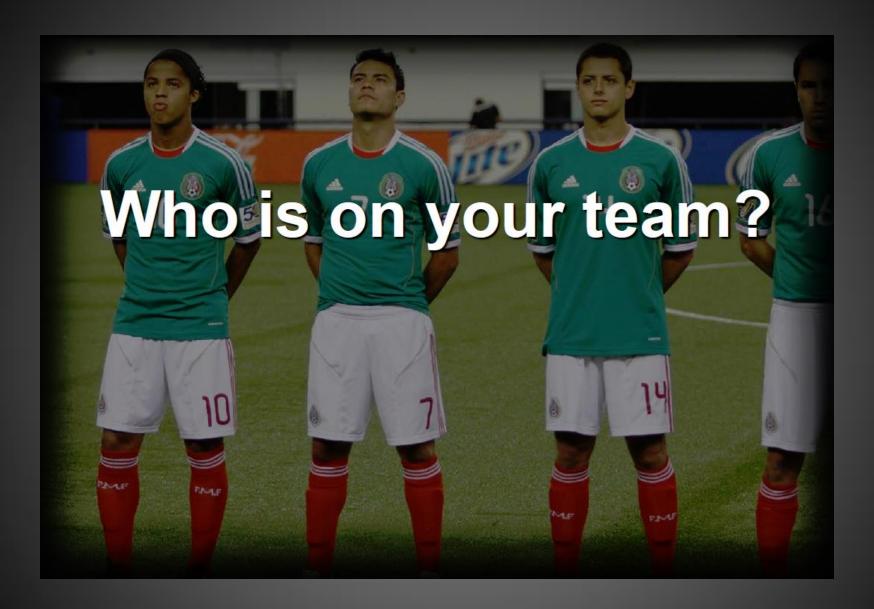
Source: Donald Libey

Early Warning Signals

Declining employment and/or sales Larger non-local corporate ownership Recent ownership changes Lease of property Other facilities making same product or service Negative attitude about community Unbearable regulatory burdens Union contract expiration Expanding employment and/or sales Facility and site expansions



Customer Customer Care





ECDC 2017 Next Steps

- Bring in and engage "teammates"
- Determine Priorities
- Actions/Implementation

What is Economic Development?