

DIRECTORY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC PARTNERS AND ASSOCIATIONS

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#### Achieve Escambia Jennifer McFarren, Interim Director

JNMCFARR@southernco.com 1301 W. Government Street Pensacola, FL 32502 850-912 -8177 http://achieveescambia.org/ Achieve Escambia is Pensacola's first cradle to career collective impact effort. It is an "all-in" partnership of Escambia County leaders and stakeholders in education, non-profit, business, faith, community, civic, and philanthropic sectors committed to align our community resources so everyone is empowered to achieve success. The partnership shares a vision and strategy for improving cradle to career outcomes through a structured, evidence-based, long-term approach. Using research-based outcomes, Achieve Escambia will track annual achievement data county-wide for each of several critical cradle to career stages.



## AFCEA - Pensacola Blue Angels Chapter Randy Ramos, President

rramos@gbsi.com 362 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Suite 282 Gulf Breeze, FL 32561 850-944-7579 http://www.afceapensacola.org/ AFCEA, (Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association) is a non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry, and academia as an ethical forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, IT, intelligence, and global security.



## Careersource Escarosa Cliff Krut, Executive Director

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# Century Chamber of Commerce Freddie McCall, President

7811 N. Century Blvd. Century, FL 32535 850-256-3155 centuryflorida.com Century is the "Northern Gate to the Sunshine State." The Century Chamber of Commerce was established in the 1980's by an all-volunteer group of citizens and business owners to promote Century's local businesses and provide economic development opportunities to the community.



#### Co:Lab Pensacola Kelly Reeser, Director

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cowork@annex is a cool new business community located in 10,000 sft of the historically restored One Palafox Place in beautiful downtown Pensacola, FL.



### Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Cissy Proctor, Director

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#### Enterprise Florida Mike Grissom, Interim President & CEO

101 North Monroe Street Suite 1000 Tallahassee, FL 32301 850-298-6620 www.enterpriseflorida.com Enterprise Florida, Inc. (EFI) is a public-private partnership between Florida's business and government leaders and is the principal economic development organization for Florida. EFI's mission is to expand and diversify the state's economy through job creation. In pursuit of its mission, EFI works closely with a statewide network of economic development partners and is funded both by the State of Florida and by private-sector businesses.



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Enterprise Florida's statewide network of professional trade counselors provide free export counseling to small and medium-size companies interested in expanding globally. Services include evaluation of a company's market readiness, selecting target markets for its products or services, market research, information on channels of distribution in target markets, and introductions to our International Offices.



## Escambia County Board of County Commissioners Jack Brown, County Administrator

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Escambia County is the westernmost county in the U.S. state of Florida. As of the 2010 census, the population was 297,619.[1] Its county seat is Pensacola[2] and the County Administrator is Jack Brown.





Escambia School District
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The School District of Escambia County's career academies are small learning communities within middle or high schools that focus on a career pathway for a two-, three-, or four-year span. Students enter through a voluntary application process; they must apply and be accepted, with parental knowledge and support. Students develop knowledge in a given industry, and - in most academies - students have opportunities to earn industry certification relevant to the career academy.



Florida's Great Northwest Kim Wilmes, President kwilmes@fgnw.org 100 College Boulevard, Building 330 Niceville, FL 32578 850-729-6847 floridasgreatnorthwest.com Florida's Great Northwest To market and brand the 12-county Northwest Florida region as a globally competitive location for business and to work with regional partners to recruit new jobs and investment throughout Northwest Florida.



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FloridaWest Fconomic Development Alliance the economic development organization for Pensacola and Escambia County. We are an alliance of public and private agencies, businesses, organizations and leaders united one and dedicated to building, growing and sustaining the economic potential and prosperity of communities, businesses and individuals in our Northwest Florida region.



George Stone Technical Center Thomas J. Rollins, Principal TRollins@escambia.k12.fl.us 2400 Longleaf Drive Pensacola, FL 32526 850-941-6200 georgestonecenter.com The goal of George Stone Technical Center is to serve the community as the premier provider of career and technical education by preparing individuals for rewarding careers and to provide businesses with a highly skilled workforce. We strive to obtain that goal by providing quality academic, career, and technical education opportunities for all learners through instruction that integrates rigor, relevance, and relationships.



Greater Pensacola Chamber
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Founded in 1889, the Greater Pensacola Chamber is committed to promoting, improving and enhancing the Pensacola Region through economic development, community involvement and unity of private and public sectors.





# Gulf Coast African American Chamber of Commerce

info@gcaacc.com 945 W Michigan Ave #12 Pensacola, FL 32505 850-438-3993 gcaacc.info The Gulf Coast African American Chamber of Commerce as an advocate and the conscience of the African American & Minority community, promoting and assisting in procurement opportunities, business development and strategy , increasing operating capacity and other economic assets, while striving to ensure economic fairness for all.



Innovation Coast Jim McClellan, Chair

info@innovationcoast.com P.O. Box 13002 Pensacola, FL 32591 850-380-8838 http://www.innovationcoast.com The mission of Innovation Coast is to grow, sustain and showcase the successful, vibrant community of technology companies and professionals in Pensacola, Florida, and along the Northern Gulf Coast. Innovation Coast is a business community serving entrepreneurial garage start-ups, established leaders, and everyone in between.



IT Gulf Coast Jim Rhodes, President

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The premiere professional association for the IT community in Northwest Florida with a goal of creating educational and networking opportunities for our membership to foster the growth of the technology industry and entrepreneurship in our area.



NWFL Manufacturers Council Cindy Anderson

cindy@nwflmc.org 850-791-0164 http://www.nwfmc.org/ The mission of the Northwest Florida Manufacturers Council is to strengthen the economic competitiveness of the region's manufacturers by acting as a single voice to address common interests.



Pensacola-Escambia Promotion and Development Commission Scott Luth, Administrator sluth@floridawesteda.com 850-898-2201 This commission was established through the adoption of a legislative act in 1989, HB 984, amending Chapter 67-1365, laws of Florida providing for a change in the membership structure of the Pensacola-Escambia Development Commission with its purpose being to actively seek new industry for the area and expansion of existing industries. It is responsible for promoting and developing Ellyson Industrial Park, and helps promote tourism and convention activities for the Escambia County area.





The City of Pensacola Eric Olson, City Administrator

eolson@cityofpensacola.com 222 W. Main St. Seventh Floor of City Hall Pensacola, FL 32502 850-435-1626 Pensacola is the westernmost city in the Florida Panhandle and the county seat of Escambia County, Florida, United States.



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Pensacola, FL 32505 850-435-4297 The Pensacola Socialdesk is not just an everyday coworking or collaboration space, they are 10,500 sq. ft. of office space, located in mid-town Pensacola, set up to give back to the community.



Pensacola State College
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Pensacola State College is a public, comprehensive community college that was founded as Pensacola Junior College in 1948. As the oldest and largest college in the Panhandle, PSC serves traditional and non-traditional students in Northwest Florida and Southern Alabama.



Small Business Development Center Kelley Massey

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Studer Community Institute
Quint Studer

quint@quintstuder.com 41 S Alcaniz Street Pensacola, FL 32502 The Studer Community Institute is focused on improving our community's quality of life. Our goal is to help people understand the issues we need to address to move Escambia and Santa Rosa counties forward. The cornerstone of the Institute's work is the Pensacola Metro Dashboard.





# University of West Florida Dr. Martha Saunders

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Pensacola, FL 32514 http://www.wfrpc.org The West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC) is a multipurpose entity recognized by the state. The WFRPC supports northwest Florida by planning for and coordinating intergovernmental solutions to growth-related problems, providing technical assistance to local governments, and meeting the needs of the municipalities in our seven-county region: Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, Washington and Holmes.



