



SMALL BUSINESS SURVEY

INTRODUCTION

First and foremost we want to thank you for doing business in Buda, Texas. The Buda Economic Development Corporation has the goal to provide assistance to help all businesses grow and prosper in our community. As such, we are conducting a small business survey to collect information that can be utilized to create programs and resources that will benefit existing businesses and attract small businesses to our community. Additionally we would like to understand more about your business and why you choose to and continue to run your business in Buda. All information provided in the survey will be kept confidential and data will only be utilized in an aggregate basis.

To thank you for completing this survey, we are providing you a Buda EDC stylus 2GB flash drive pen, which includes a copy of the survey for your records. If you would prefer to complete the survey on your own time and email it to the Buda EDC, surveys can be emailed to Info@BudaEDC.com, or they may be hand delivered to 203 Railroad Street Suite 3A. If you complete the survey online, we will deliver your gift to you.

Additionally, each week we will be drawing from the surveys that were completed that week for an 8 inch round cake from Sweet Cakes 4 U. Also, one lucky winner will be chosen from all surveys completed by July 31st to be the Buda EDC's guest for a special weekend getaway as part of the Texas Showcase Event held in the fall of 2016.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us at 512.295.2022 or Info@BudaEDC.com.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Company Name:

Address:

Phone:

Contact Name:

Email Address:

Survey Date:

SURVEY QUESTIONS

1. What about Buda made it an attractive place to open your business?
2. How long have been open for business in Buda?
3. Did you receive any incentives from the Buda EDC when you first opened?

If/not are you aware that the Buda EDC has several small business assistance programs i.e. Small Business Permit Fee and/or Buda Business Development Grant's?

4. What are the local Buda community's strengths as a place to do business?
5. What are the local Buda community's weaknesses as a place to do business?
6. Are there any barriers to growth in Buda that you feel will directly hinder growing your company? (please describe)
7. Are you a member of the Buda Chamber of Commerce?
8. If provided at no cost to you, would you be interested in participating in a group of Buda Business Owners that meet monthly to discuss how to partner with each other, concerns, or other items of interest?

If yes: What types of programs would you like to see discussed at this meeting?

9. Description of your company's products or services:

10. Where is company's primary market? Local?

11. Do You Engage in Government Procurement?

12. What is the size of your current facility? Sq./ft.

13. Status of facility: Owned Leased

If leased, what is the rough length of term remaining (months/years)?

14. Are you planning on renewing current lease? Yes No

If not, could we be so bold as to ask why?

15. Are you aware that the Buda EDC offers relocation/expansion assistance?

16. Is there room for expansion at your current site? Yes No Maybe

17. What, if any, are the major constraints on your expansion? (Please check all that are applicable)

- Broadband access
- Energy costs
- Finance
- Lack of skilled staff
- Lack of suitable premises
- Local regulations e.g. zoning
- Roads
- Transport/freight
- Warehousing
- Other, please describe:

18. What is the total number of Employees at your Buda Facility :

Full time:

Part-time:

Temporary:

19. What are the average hourly wages:

Skilled/Professional:

Semi-Skilled:

Entry Level:

Night/Third Shift:

20. Do you have problems retaining employees (If yes, please expand)?

21. Is the company experiencing recruitment problems with any employee positions or skills?

If Yes, What Skills or Job Type?

22. Anything we missed that we should have asked? Or anything else you want to share with us?

23. Is there anything in particular you would like us to follow up with you about in the near future? I.e. Utility costs, expansion planning, grant programs/financing, marketing.