

## Office of Veterans Business Development

Boots to Business Entrepreneurship Outcome Assessment Survey

**Use of information:** This information collection (survey) is to be completed by individuals who have participated in the Boots to Business courses offered by the Small Business Administration (SBA). You received this survey because at the time of course registration you agreed to participate in this Boots to Business related survey.

Your participation in this survey is voluntary. Participants may exit the survey at any time or skip questions they prefer not to answer. This study is being conducted to gather information from military service members and families about their experiences in SBA's Boots to Business entrepreneurship program and about their entrepreneurship motivations, barriers and goals. SBA is collecting this information to improve its program offerings as well as to understand entrepreneurship experiences and outcomes. All information provided is protected to the extent permitted by law, including the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552. SBA maintains your personal information in the agency's Privacy Act Systems of Records, SBA 5 - Business and Entrepreneurial Initiatives for Small Businesses, and SBA 39 - Veteran Programs Training and Counseling Records. These system of record notices (SORN) identify why and to whom SBA will routinely disclose the information that you provide.

**Please note**: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act you are not required to respond to any collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control number. This collection has been assigned OMB Control Number 3245-XXXX. The estimated time for completing this survey is 5 minutes, including gathering and submitting the information. Comments on the estimated time, including suggestions for reducing the time, should be sent to: Director, Records Management Division, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416, and to: SBA Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10202, Washington, D.C., 20503.

**Available Sources of Information**: If you have concerns or complaints about your rights as a participant, please contact the Boots to Business team at (844) 610-VET1 or <a href="mailto:boots-to-business@sba.gov">boots-to-business@sba.gov</a>.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Clicking on the "Agree" option below indicates that:

- You have read the above information.
- You voluntarily agree to participate.
- You are at least 18 years of age.

☐ Agree

☐ Do Not Agree -> EXIT SURVEY



## **Outcome Assessment Survey**

Instructions: Please answer the following questions. Some questions will require you to write your answers, while others will require you to select your answers from a list of preset choices. Your feedback is important for us to understand the impact of the Boots to Business program.

1. Demographic Information						
	Boots to B	usiness date	e completed:	Click here to er	iter a date.	
Name: Click here to enter text.	Boots to Business course location:					
Service:	Age Range	:				
Gender:	Ethnicity:					
Race (please select one or more):  □American Indian □Alaska Native □Asian	member w Military Sp	rho is marrie oouse:		ct your military	you are a service status <u>and</u> Dual	
☐Black or African American		·				
□Native Hawaijan or Other Pacific Islander	□Other Dependent □Service Disabled Veteran					
□White □Not Stated	□Veteran □Transitioning/Retiring Service Member □Service Member					
<ol> <li>In the time since you completed the Boots to Busicontinued to grow an existing business? (Logic: If skip to question 16)         ☐Yes ☐No</li> <li>To what degree do you attribute the following facemployment venture? If other reasons are application.</li> </ol>	'Yes' skip to ctors to not y able, please	question 4 , et launching	/ If 'No' contin g a business on ne text box bel	ue to question  r other self- ow.		
	Greatly M	loderately	Somewhat	Not at all		
Not enough time since completing Boots to Business						
Timing		П	П			
Inability to obtain sufficient funding						
mability to obtain sufficient fulfully			1 1			
Family or personal concerns						
Family or personal concerns						
Lack of non-monetary resources e.g.						
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Other: Click here to enter text.







4.	How soon after completing Boots to Business did you start this business? Please select one.  ☐ I had the business prior to completing the Boots to Business program  ☐ 12 months or less  ☐ 1 year  ☐ 2 years  ☐ 3 years  ☐ 4 years  ☐ 5 years  ☐ More than 5 years							
5.	Have you started multiple businesses since attending the Boots to Business program?  ☐Yes ☐No  *If yes, please respond to the questions in this survey regarding your most recent venture.							
6.	Is the venture/business still in operation today? (Logic: If 'No' skip to question 16)  □Yes □No							
7.	How long has the business/venture been in operation? Please select one.  □12 months or less □4 years  □1 year □5 years  □2 years □More than 5 years  □3 years							
8.	What type of business/venture do you own? Please select one or more.  ☐ Franchised business ☐ Government Contracting ☐ Family owned business							
	Internet based business ☐ Home based business ☐ Service based business							
	☐ Product based business ☐ Other: Click he							
9.	Please enter the number of employees you have for the calendar years in the table below. Please do not include yourself in your responses. If you are the only employee please input "0". If you were not in operation during this time please select N/A.							
C	Calendar Total Employees	Veteran	Military Dependent					
	Year (including Veteran and military dependent employees)	Employees	Employees	N/A				
	2018							
	2017							
	2016		1					
	2015							
	2014							
	2013							
Not	te: Military dependents are defined as the spouse(s)	), children, and possibly ot	her familial relationship ca	tegories				
of c	a sponsoring military member for purposes of pay a	s well as special benefits, <sub>l</sub>	orivileges and rights.					
10.	. Did you receive financing in the last 12 months? □Yes □No							
11.	Estimate the total amount of financing your busine financing, please check N/A.  SBA loans (7a, 504, Microloan, Community Advantage)		months. <i>If you did not ob</i> 00 (Please enter in whole d					



	$\square$ Non-SBA Loans from a commercial bank	\$	_,,		.00 (Please ent	er in whole doll	ars.)
	□Loans or equity investment from friends or family □Equity raised from professional investors □Crowd Funding □Non-traditional lending (i.e. peer-to-peer) □N/A, I did not obtain financing in the last 12 month	\$ \$ \$	_,	,	.00 (Please en .00 (Please en	er in whole doll ter in whole dol ter in whole dol ter in whole dol	lars.) lars.)
12.	What was your primary reason for applying for finance.  To start or acquire my business.  To expand my business by establishing a new locate.  To provide working capital or support cash flow.  For a capital investment.  Other: Click here to enter text.  I did not apply for financing.		the las	st 12	months? Selec	t one.	
13.	Is your business officially designated in any of the fol   HUBZone Program  8(a) Business Development  Mentor-Protégé Program  Small Business Certification  Women-Owned Small Businesses  Veteran-Owned Businesses  Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Businesses  Disadvantaged Businesses  Alaskan Owned Corporations  Native Hawaiian Owned Corporations  Natural Resources Assistance Program  Other, specify:  Not Applicable	lowing	: Plea	se se	lect all that ap	oly.	
14.	In what industry does your business primarily operat   Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting   Contracting   Finance / Accounting Services   Health Care & Social Assistance   Insurance (Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service)   Logistics and warehousing   Manufacturing   Real Estate & Rental/Leasing   Retail (food, merchandise, automotive, furniture, expectation of the control of the contro		ase sel	ect oi	ne.		
15.	What is the legal entity of your business?  ☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Limited Liability Partners ☐ General Partnership ☐ "C" Corporation ☐ L ☐ Limited Partnership ☐ Other: Click here to enter	imited	Liabili		ration mpany		



16.	Have you used other SBA resources? (Logic: If no, skip to question 18)  Yes, prior to attending Boots to Business  Yes, after attending Boots to Business  Yes, both before and after attending Boots to Business  No, I have not used other SBA resources
17.	Please select the SBA resources you have used, please select all that apply:  Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC)  Small Business Development Center (SBDC)  SCORE  Women's Business Center (WBC)  Procurement and Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)  U.S. Export Assistance Center  Certified Development Company (CDC)  SBA Regional Office  SBA District Office  V-WISE  EBV  VIP  Boots to Business social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)
18.	What resources outside of SBA have you used? Please select all that apply. If your resources are not listed please specify in the text box below.  Subscription based services  DVD/Books  Mentor (non-SBA)  Higher education business related courses, certifications or degree program  Please specify: Click here to enter text.  Online resources (blogs, discussion forums, websites, social media)  Please specify: Click here to enter text.  Private Organization: Click here to enter text.  I did not use resources outside SBA  Other: Click here to enter text.
19.	In addition to seeking self-employment, have you achieved/completed any of the following since attending Boots to Business? Select all that apply.  □ Higher Education □ Traditional Employment □ Technical/Vocational Training □ Not Applicable
	If there has been a change to your contact information, please let us know in the fields below.  The second of the