



We are a small business creation company. Start, grow, and divest!

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smallstartventures.com Tucson AZ Main Street Community Lifestyle Marketplace

LEAD INVESTOR 

**Michael Derby**

I've known Rob for many years and we've started several businesses together. He's a natural leader with good business sense. He's identified a huge market opportunity that can make a significant impact on humanity. I trust him implicitly and am anxious to join him on this new adventure.

Invested \$1,000 this round

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OVERVIEW UPDATES WHAT PEOPLE SAY ASK A QUESTION

Highlights

- 1 Provide economic opportunity to a diversity of people.
- 2 Reduce small business risk with capital, back office support, and mentorship.
- 3 Divest in year three - sell profitable businesses to the entrepreneurs.

Our Team



Robert R. Samuelsen President and CEO
CEO, CFO, COO for more than 20 years Founder of Square Knot Ventures, eVine, AvaLAN Wireless, Navibase, and SEE Consultants Executed three business turnarounds Raised approximately \$450 million

Our goal is to provide economic opportunity to a diversity of entrepreneurs through small business ownership. There are many hardworking, high integrity, and passionate people who want to improve their economic status in life and we've developed a unique commercial way to do it through small business entrepreneurship.



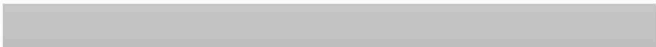
Clinton Swapp VP and Chief Marketing Officer
Spent 14 years in marketing and sales for one of the world's top equipment dealers. Won top sales award three years. Master graduate of Rapport Leadership International



Stephen Taylor VP and Chief Operating Officer
Small business consultant with experience in business startup & operation, economic development, automation & manufacturing engineering.

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Welcome

SMALLSTART VENTURES, INC.

A Small Business Creation Company



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A Public Benefit Corporation

The Problem:

Thousands of potential entrepreneurs will never start their dream businesses, or worse, their startup will fail prematurely!



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Great Business Ideas
Remain Ideas

Many people have great business ideas but fail to do anything with those ideas due to lack of experience, lack of capital, or simply from allowing fear to hold them back from taking action.

Small Business Success Rate
Is Less Than Ideal

According to most studies, about 50% of all small business startups are still in business after the 5th year.

Great Entrepreneurs are
Overlooked Everyday

Talented people with extraordinary skills are overlooked in the business world everyday. Even with diversity laws in place, African Americans, single women, Hispanics, immigrants, ex-cons, and even veterans find themselves at a disadvantage when starting a small business.

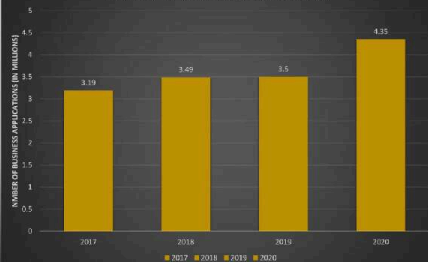
Small Business Creation
Provides Opportunities to
Bridge the Wealth Gap

Since the Recession of the mid 2000's, the low and middle class have not recovered at a rate that would be expected. Small business creation and growth are a time tested solution to helping overcome poverty through self reliance.



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Number of New Business Startups



*source: census.gov



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A great business idea is doomed from the beginning if it is held at bay by FEAR.

Business creation for many is fearful.
1. Fear of the unknown
2. Fear of financial risk

SmallStart's business creation model reduces the fear factor by taking on the majority of the risk using a "Build then Buy" approach to small business ownership. Also, the Success Coach method that we employ replaces the unknown with certainty through teaching, mentoring, and one-on-one guidance.

Fear Kills
More
Dreams Than
Failure Ever
Will.



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The Solution:

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1. We provide guidance
2. We provide business tools
3. We provide Success Coaching
4. We reduce risk
5. We reduce fear

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The Small Start Solution Includes 4 vital parts

1. An in depth screening process that identifies candidates with a high probability of completing the process.
2. A mutual agreement in which SmallStart Ventures starts the business as owner and the candidate operates the business.
3. SmallStart Ventures assigns a Success Coach to each business who works closely to ensure proper planning and business decisions are made to enhance the probability for success.
4. At a predetermined time frame, the business is appraised and then purchased by the candidate as an existing, fully functioning, and profitable business in which they own 100% equity.

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Step 1: Comprehensive Screening Analysis

The SmallStart process starts with a screening process that identifies those individuals who are hard working and passionate about pursuing their dreams. It also identifies those individuals who are willing to be coached on their journey to success.

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Path to Successful Business Ownership

Step 2: The 3 Year Agreement

When a client is identified and ready to start, two agreements are entered into by each party. After the agreements are executed, SmallStart creates the business, as owner, and hires the candidate as general manager.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

- 3 year term
- Salary + Performance bonus
- Benefits

Memorandum Of Understanding

Entrepreneur will purchase the business from SmallStart at the end of year three.

- How and when are outlined here.

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Step 3: Growth and Operation

Three Year Partnership

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- Capital
- Coaching
- Planning
- Back Office
- Administration

General Manager

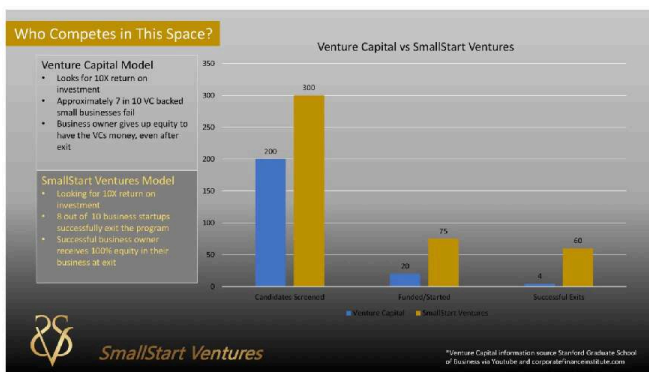
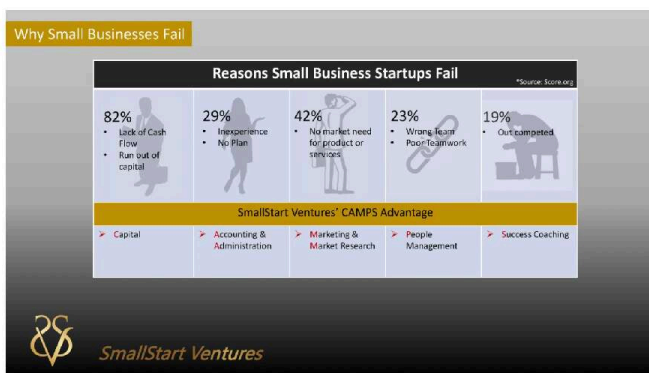
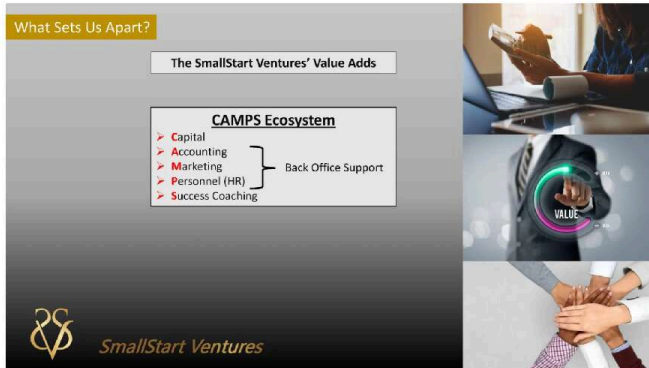
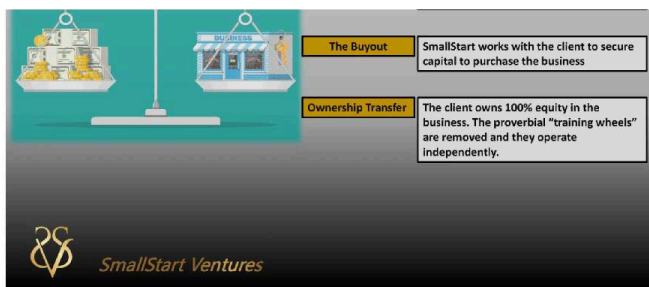
- Day to Day operation
- Knowledge of Product or Service
- Client Relations
- Willingness to Learn

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Step 4: The Exit

The Value

The business value is established by a 3rd party business appraisal company



The Winning Team

Rob Samuels
President & CEO

- 35 years of business experience
- 20 years of C-suite management experience
- Founded and grown several small businesses

Steve Taylor
Vice President & COO

- Small Business owner since 1995
- 26 years of business experience
- Works with struggling small businesses to help them correct their course.

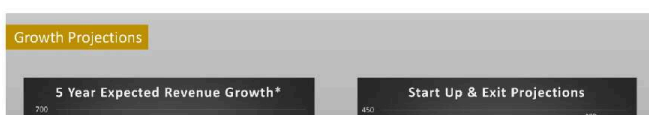
Clinton Swapp
Vice President & CMO

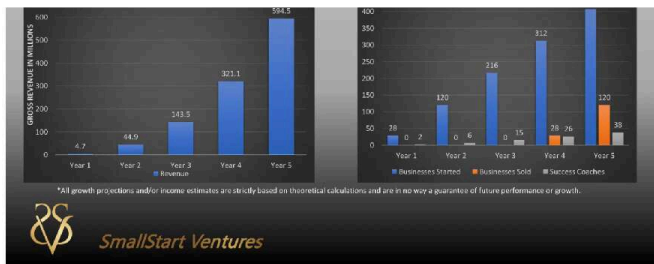
- Started and run three small businesses since 1996
- 20 plus years of business and marketing experience

MaRico Tippet
Consultant

- Owner of Community Wealth Builders and CTECH Force Support, LLC.
- Graduated from USAF Academy
- Retired Lieutenant Colonel USAF
- 12 years small business experience

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Disclaimer: This slide contains forward-looking projections that cannot be guaranteed

Traction

Just two short months after forming SmallStart Ventures we entered into agreement and created our first small business!

Guiding Light Senior Care

- Senior health care placement and consulting company

Wendy

- Single mother of 4
- Passionate care giver
- Goals include opening her own senior center and providing the best senior care in Tucson

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C Guiding Light Endorsement for Small Start Ventures

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