

CHARLOTTE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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FLORIDA SOUTHWESTERN ANNOUNCES NEW SUPPLY CHAIN AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS TO MEET SWFL WORKFORCE DEMAND



Florida SouthWestern State College's (FSW) School of Business and Technology will launch two new programs this fall at the FSW Charlotte Campus in Punta Gorda. <u>Click here to Apply</u>.

Amanda Benton pictured with Commissioner Ken Doherty and Economic Development Director Dave Gammon

Congrats to Amanda Benton, Redevelopment Coordinator, for earning her Certified Economic Developer (CEcD) designation from the International Economic Development Council (IEDC)! The CEcD designation establishes an industry benchmark of excellence and signifies the world's most knowledgeable and dedicated individuals in the field of economic development. It sets the gold standard for professionals who are steadfastly committed to fostering innovation, attracting investment, and driving economic growth and prosperity within their communities and around the world.

EXCITING GROWTH AROUND THE AIRPORT

During a presentation to the Charlotte County Airport Authority, Dave Gammon, Economic Development Director, provided an overview of new businesses, buildings, and construction underway in the area. Read the full article in GulfShore Business here.

In another presentation to Charlotte County Board of Commissioners, Mr. Gammon shared the projected increases in Ad Valorem revenue for activity in the Airport Business Park. Read that full article in <u>GulfShore Business here.</u>

Ad Valorem Property Taxes			
Year	Assessed Value	Ad Valorem	Charlotte County
2021	\$ 635,377	\$ 10,462	\$ 4,003
2022	\$ 8,529,585	\$ 136,389	\$ 52,610
2023	\$ 49,893,126	\$ 785,414	\$ 307,940
2024	\$150,000,000	\$2,300,000	\$ 935,000
2025	\$185,000,000	\$2,900,000	\$1,175,000
2026	\$285,000,000	\$4,400,000	\$1,800,000



In the photo above, Balentine Builder Services out of Fort Myers outgrew its space and came to Punta Gorda to build a 65,000-square-foot facility for its custom cabinetry business, which will open this year.