



Ben Calhoun – Area Manager & Business Consultant

Ben Calhoun is the Greenwood Area Manager for the South Carolina Small Business Development Center. Ben's office is part of the South Carolina SBDC's Clemson University Region and helps support small businesses in Greenwood, Laurens, Edgefield, Abbeville, McCormick and Saluda counties through educational workshops and one-on-one consulting services.

Ben started his education as a Financial Management student at Clemson University and later earned a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of South Carolina Aiken. He has over 23 years of professional experience in consumer finance, management, and consulting. Prior to coming on board with the SC SBDC, Ben served as the C.F.O. for a non-profit organization and owned a financial counseling business.

Ben served as a Branch, District, and Regional Manager in the field of consumer finance where he developed expertise in continuous process improvement, auditing methods for internal operations, and succession planning techniques. As a former small business owner and supervisor, Ben appreciates the challenges entrepreneurs face on a day-to-day basis and enjoys seeing small businesses grow and thrive.

Ben and his wife Wanda are the proud parents of six children ranging in age from 9 to 24 years old. In their free time, the Calhouns enjoy traveling, working with the youth at their church, and supporting the Clemson Tigers.