

Jim Pillans Bio

Jim Pillans has served as the Director of the Brazos Valley SBDC for more than 20 years. As a Business Advisor he is certified in Technology and Commercialization and as a certified Global Business Professional by NASBITE International. He has won the ASBDC State Star award multiple times and was recently awarded the SBA Houston District award for the SBDC Excellence and Innovation. During his 24 year tenure, he has advised 2,578 clients, assisted with the opening of 350 new businesses and has secured a total of \$176.6 M in startup and expansion capital. Prior to joining the SBDC, Pillans obtained his BBA and MBA from the University of North Texas and was employed by two Fortune 100 consumer product companies before serving as a partner and general manager of a large beverage distribution company for almost 20 years.