

Yashwant Meghare
Providence Center Director

“My experience working with small businesses in the Providence area has given me a unique perspective on the operations of a city and the people who shape its identity. By diving into the inner workings of these businesses, I've gained insight into what drives local economic development and how I fit in there.”

Yash's journey into business development began when he joined the RISBDC as an graduate intern, helping small businesses in the seafood industry navigate the challenges of COVID-19. With an MBA and a background in oceanography, Yash leveraged his niche knowledge of the Blue Economy to bring a unique perspective to his work.

After his internship, Yashwant continued to work with the SBDC as a part-time consultant before settling into his current role as Providence Center Director. Working with small businesses has given Yash an appreciation for what makes a city thrive, allowing him to explore new ideas and strategies for economic development. Continually learning from the operations of different businesses keeps his work fresh and engaging.

Originally from India, Yash is fluent in English, Hindi, and Marathi, and is currently learning Spanish to better communicate with the Spanish-speaking community in the area.

When he's not working, you can find him cooking up a storm in the kitchen, taking walks, or listening to music.