
Bio - Dianne F. Sclafani

Dianne is a business speaker, trainer, and consultant specializing in food businesses. She has over 25 years of practical experience in the restaurant, food service, culinary education, and food manufacturing industries. Dianne has been with the Louisiana Small Business Development Center (LSBDC) for 16 years. She has helped nearly 1,400 new and established local business owners to strengthen and expand their businesses. She coaches many businesses in a variety of industries in developing loan packages and investment pitches. In 2015, she developed and was the instructor for the first New Orleans Culinary Entrepreneur Training Program for Capital One's Investment for Good Program. In 2016, she created the first Jazz and Heritage Foundation's Catapult Culinary Entrepreneur Program which was also delivered in 2018 and is currently preparing for one in 2023. She creates and delivers restaurant and food manufacturing seminars for LSBDC clients across the State of Louisiana. Dianne was honored with the prestigious 2016 Louisiana SBDC State Star Award. Her passion is in building relationships with business owners to help them achieve their business vision for success.

Dianne is diligently focused on assisting clients through their business life cycle challenges, creating impact, and achieving SBDC metrics.