



Cape Coral, Florida is home to 400+ miles of boat-friendly canals. Photo was taken at Tarpon Point Marina.

## CAPE CORAL POSITIONED FOR GROWTH IN 2016

Ranked among the best places to live and do business, and located in the tax-friendly state of Florida, Cape Coral is a top contender for corporate relocations and business expansions for companies worldwide.

You don't have to take our word for it. An ideal, year-round climate, affordable real estate and competitive cost of living have drawn national attention. **Forbes** magazine reports that the Cape Coral metro area is No. 3 nationwide for projected job growth (Moody's Analytics, 2015). The Cape also continues to rank in the top 10 places to start a new business. In the past year, the city's Economic Development Office (EDO) team

successfully recruited seven new manufacturers to Cape Coral. Among these is a Taiwanese manufacturer that could create up to 200 jobs over the next five years. The South Cape has enjoyed

rapid growth this year with the opening of a variety of new entertainment venues, restaurants and microbreweries.

As the 10th largest city in Florida and the largest city in Southwest Florida, Cape Coral is an ideal location for relocating businesses due to our large, talented and available workforce.

The past two years have brought dynamic growth and richer prospects to the community. The addition of new infrastructure is paving the way for business expansion in the city's northern region. The 240,000-square-foot Lee County VA Healthcare Center on Diplomat Parkway has exceeded its original projections in terms of patients, visitors, staffing and service levels. This facility is drawing thousands from throughout the region and serves as the anchor for the Veterans Investment Zone, designed to attract symbiotic industries, such as medical, wellness, hospitality, retail, pharmacy, life science and green industries, in addition to corporate and back office operations.

The Cape Coral Economic Development Office (EDO) is working on several fronts to attract new investors and businesses to the city, facilitating the expansion of existing businesses, creating new and improved employment opportunities, and developing and promoting economic incentives.

The Cape Coral EDO team tracks emerging industries, demographics, market conditions and workforce data to provide solid resources for startups, relocations and expansions.

If you want to get down to business in a clean, warm and inviting environment, contact our EDO team today:

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