HELP US BUILD
THE FUTURE OF
MANUFACTURING

Meet Florida’s only statewide association
dedicated to improving the business climate
for our manufacturers.

From the ocean floor to the far reaches of space
and everywhere in between, Florida manufacturing
is pushing the boundaries on technology,
innovation and exploration.

The Florida manufacturing legacy is
being written now—what role will you
take in the story of our history?

MAF
Manufacturers Association of Florida
There's a lot going on for **Manufacturers in Florida**

Florida is home to a diverse manufacturing industry. Aerospace, cosmetics, drones, plastics, sensors, unmanned watercraft, and more are all built in our backyard. The Manufacturers Association of Florida (MAF) gives one loud voice to all our 19,000+ manufacturers. We take pride in not only bringing together companies from across the state to form prosperous partnerships, but in our ability to make a difference in Florida's economy. With the help of MAF, Florida's manufacturers have seen positive growth, increased jobs, and an expansion in international trade.

**60+**

The number of consecutive months Florida has seen an increase in manufacturing jobs!

**341,000+**

The number of Floridians employed in the manufacturing sector!

MAF actively supports and promotes women in manufacturing. Closing the gender gap is a goal we work towards every day. Over the past several years, MAF recognizes exceptional women across the state with nominations for the STEP Ahead Awards, a prestigious award for women leading the industry.

Dream It. Do It. (DIDI) is a national network of professionals dedicated to engaging, educating and employing today's students in high quality manufacturing jobs while educating career influencers like parents and educators. Florida is a strong member of the network with active statewide DIDI competitions!

Manufacturing Day is a national celebration of all things manufacturing. But in Florida, we go big and celebrate the whole month of October with plant tours, open houses and more! For 3 consecutive years, Florida has been the nation's leader in Manufacturing Month activities!
THE YEAR OF THE MANUFACTURER

2016

2016 has been called "the Year of the Manufacturer" by many and the reasons are awesome!

DID YOU KNOW:
In 2016, MAF led the charge in securing the permanent sales tax exemption on manufacturing machinery & equipment? That means Florida manufacturers NEVER have to pay sales tax on equipment or machinery!

DID YOU KNOW:
This exemption saves the manufacturing industry $77 MILLION every year, starting in 2017? Now THAT'S a lot of money to help your company grow!

DID YOU KNOW:
More than 19,000 manufacturing companies call Florida home and more than 80% have fewer than 50 employees? MAF was created to fight for all manufacturers--big and small.

Founded in 2006, MAF has become the industry policy leader, recognized by the Florida Legislature, the Governor's Office, press, media, government agencies, educators, economic developers, regional manufacturing associations, lenders, law firms, engineering firms, and national associations. That was a mouthful!

MEET the PRESIDENT

Al Stimac has been working in manufacturing since the age of 16. Out of dedication to Florida’s market, he opened his own machine shop, Metal Essence. In 2006, he launched a training company, Machining Training Solutions, to assist manufacturers with training needs.

Al is tireless in his efforts to advocate for the manufacturing industry, promote women in manufacturing, and close the skills gap.

"Every manufacturer should belong to the only association that is a game changer for manufacturers--the Manufacturers Association of Florida!"
Why should YOU Join?

Affect state policy impacting manufacturers;

Keep your finger on the pulse of manufacturing in Florida;

Discover resources available to manufacturers;

Learn from the success of your manufacturing colleagues!

Annual dues are based on company type, size, and level of engagement.

Apply now at www.MAFMFG.com or call our office! We'd love to welcome you to MAF!

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Worked alongside Governor Scott's team to lead the charge of the Permanent Sales Tax Exemption on Manufacturing Machinery & Equipment, after prior successful legislative initiatives on the same front

Secured training funds for CareerSource Florida to offer training grants to manufacturers

Initiated the Enterprise Florida small manufacturing export assistance program and secured funding from the Legislature

Led a coalition of colleges, CareerSource boards and regional manufacturing association to obtain a $15 million federal grant to place appropriately skilled students in manufacturing jobs

Holds seats on various national and state government and industry boards to represent manufacturers' interests

Recognizes the best of the industry with a statewide Manufacturer/Distributor of the Year competition and MAF Seal of Excellence to reward manufacturing greatness

Coordinate efforts among regional manufacturing associations in matters of advocacy, Manufacturing Month, environmental issues

Hosts the Annual MAF Manufacturers Summit & Marketplace and Manufacturing Days at the Capitol

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