

CUSTOMIZED COUNTY RAPID RESPONSE SMART

RAPID PERMITTING PROGRAM



Expedited review process as a means to reduce costs associated with Economic Development projects in Sarasota County. Priority processing for site and development is 10 working days and building permits is 20 working days.

ELIGIBILITY

- The business must be considered a Targeted Industry as identified in the Economic Development Element of the Sarasota County Comprehensive Plan.
- The business must have an average company wage that equals or exceeds the Annual Average Wage for all private industries in Sarasota County.
- If the company is relocating to Sarasota County, then at least ten (10) new jobs must be created.
- The company must have a demonstrated critical timing need that would jeopardize the project if expedited processing is not utilized.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Contact the Economic Development Corporation of Sarasota County to discuss project parameters and needs.
- Applicant files an application with the EDC.

APPLICATION APPROVAL

- The Economic Development Corporation of Sarasota County will review the application to determine eligibility.
- A letter will be issued to both the county, as well as, the company approving the SMART status of the project.
- The company will then submit any plans with the SMART approval letter attached.

