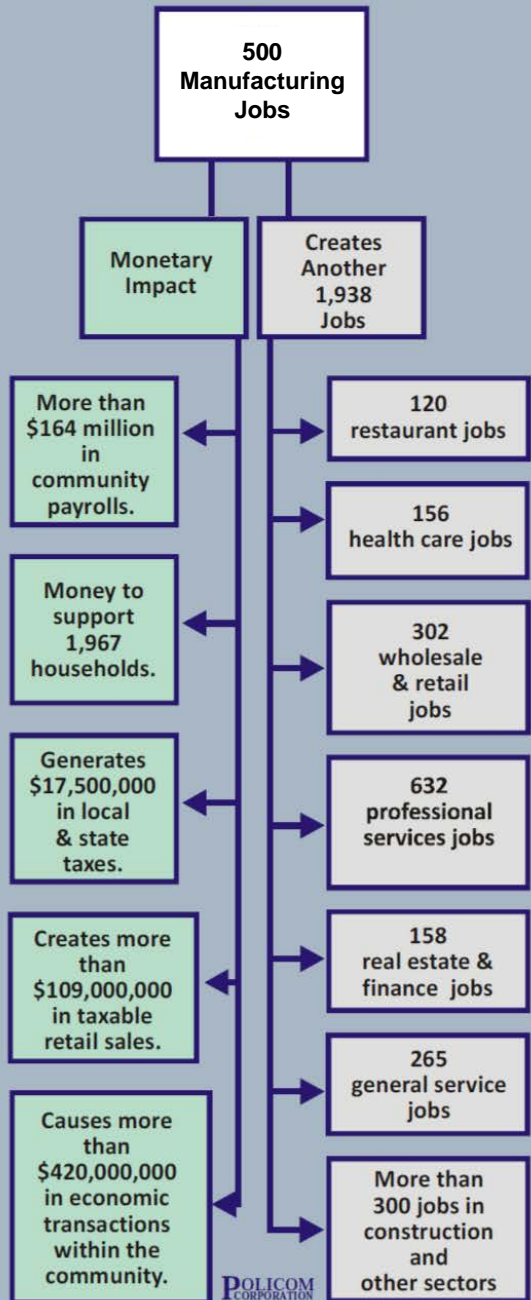


## Flow of Money



# Why Manufacturing should be a strong focus

- Large number of jobs
- Full spectrum of jobs at every level
- Wages and benefits are better
- Multiplier – creates additional jobs
- Potential for growth with exporting
- Manufacturing is becoming more high-tech
- Stimulates local economy

# Manufacturing

## Northwest Florida's Competitive Advantage

- Close proximity to major automotive & aerospace OEMs.
- Existing Diverse Industry: 2,000 manufacturers
- Manufacturing workforce: 36,000
- Ease to Market: 3 ports, 3 airports, major railways and I-10
- No Sales Tax on Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment
- Industry-driven Councils to support industry growth – NWFMC and TeCMEN

## Major Aerospace and Automotive Manufacturers in Southeastern US

