

## 2000 MIXED-USE BUSINESS INCUBATOR OF THE YEAR

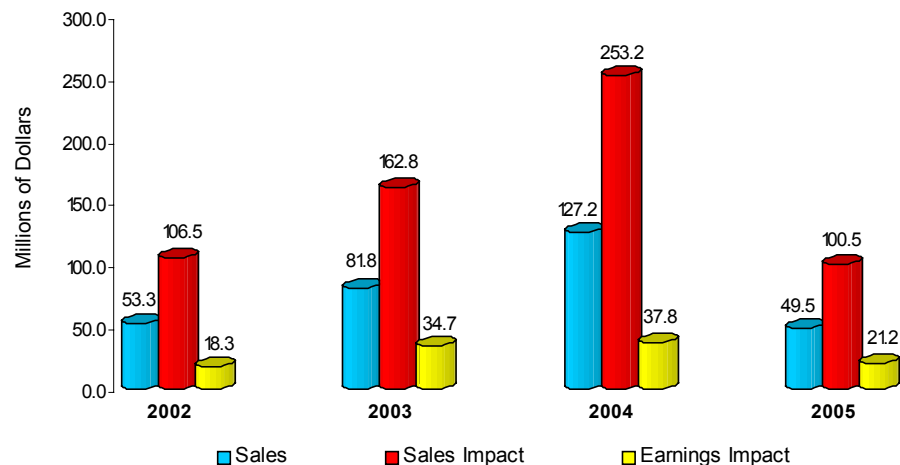
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The Entrepreneurial Center is the leading economic development organization in the Metropolitan Birmingham area dedicated to helping entrepreneurs and emerging businesses develop, grow, and succeed

### 2005 PROGRESS REPORT

- 58 applicants for services
- 3 graduates
- 8 new clients
- Client highlights include:
  - Graduate Emageon completes IPO offering, raising \$65 million
  - Emageon acquires Camtronics Medical Systems
  - ComFrame Software named to *Inc.* magazine's "Inner City 100"
  - ComFrame founder Marc Guthrie named Small Business Person of the Year by the Birmingham Regional Chamber of Commerce
  - Exford, Southeastern Commercial Finance, and Emageon were named to *Birmingham Business Journal's* "Fast-Track 25". A total of five clients and graduates of the Entrepreneurial Center/OADI organization were named to the "Fast-Track 25" in all categories
  - CircleSource Software receives ISO 9001:2000 certification
  - Healthcare Supplements launches Drug Nutrient Support product line, Nutritional Wellness benefit program, and strategic partnerships with American Pharmacy Cooperative and Pet Friendly Corporation
  - Verari Systems Software President Jennifer Skjellum graduates from the 2005 class of the Birmingham Venture Club's Entrepreneur Accelerator Program
- Clients and graduates featured in 25 articles in local and regional publications
- 64 educational seminars, workshops, and training sessions held at Entrepreneurial Center
- 10 loans made by the Entrepreneurial Center to client firms

### Annual Economic Impact (Clients and Graduates)



*Annual report statistics are based on gross revenues, investments and grants received, and numbers of employees for all current client companies and companies within five years of graduation, unless acquired, moved out of state, or closed.*

The Entrepreneurial Center is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit business incubation program dedicated to helping emerging technology and services businesses develop, grow, and succeed. It provides affordable space and services as well as on-site business consulting, training opportunities, and dedicated T1 internet access and website hosting. The Entrepreneurial Center is an economic development organization sponsored by the City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, and the private business community. The Entrepreneurial Center continues its collaborative relationship with the University of Alabama at Birmingham to manage the technology and life sciences incubator, OADI Technology Center at UAB. UAB and the Entrepreneurial Center are further strengthening this relationship by developing a joint business incubation program that will be housed in a new 145,000 square foot facility in downtown Birmingham. The new facility is scheduled to open in early 2007.

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