

ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

Locally grown

Small businesses don't always stay small. Several of Dane County's largest employers started on a shoestring budget and a handful of employees. Today, these not-so-small businesses provide thousands of jobs, and serve important roles in the local economy and their communities. The following list includes a few of the many important locally-grown businesses with roots in the Capital Region.

PART 4 of this month's series on small businesses.

Company..... Date established

J. H. Findorff & Son1890
National Guardian Life 1910
General Casualty1925
American Family Insurance1927
General Beverage..... 1933
CUNA Mutual Group 1935
Sub-Zero1945

Conney Safety Products.....1946
American TV & Appliance 1954
Gordon Flesch 1956
QTI Group 1957
Electronic Theater Controls 1975
Full Compass Systems..... 1977
Promega 1978
Ultratec 1978

Epic Systems 1979
American Girl1986
Berbee 1993
Third Wave Technologies 1993
Vita Plus1994
TomoTherapy 1997

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