
SMALL BUSINESS FOR AMERICA'S FUTURE



WALT ROWEN

PRESIDENT OF SUSQUEHANNA GLASS IN COLUMBIA, PA & CO-CHAIR OF SMALL BUSINESS FOR AMERICA'S FUTURE

Walt Rowen is the president of Susquehanna Glass Company in Columbia, Pennsylvania, a business that has been in his family for generations. As a kid, Walt loved playing in his grandfather Walter's glass factory, and when he was old enough, he worked in the factory during the summers. It was only natural that when he graduated from college in 1975, he'd go back to work in the family business. The glass factory, started in 1910, was always a family business and in 1995, when Walt's mother retired, he became president and the third generation of the family to own the company. As president, Walt's responsible for developing the long-term strategy of the company. Today, Susquehanna Glass Co. sells consumer products to many of the nation's best known retailers and employs between 35-60 people.

Walt is also a Co-chair for Small Business for America's Future (SBAF), a national coalition of business owners and leaders working to provide small businesses a voice at every level of government. Walt joined SBAF in March 2020 as a member of the advisory council. In April 2021 he transitioned into his current role as Co-chair.

With over 20 years of small business ownership, Walt has been called to testify before Congress and is frequently quoted in publications like the New York Times, Forbes and CBS News for his expertise in policy concerning small business concerns.

A graduate of University of Colorado Boulder, Walt currently lives in Lancaster, PA with his wife and spends his time with his three children and si grandchildren.