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Baker-Polito Administration Awards Support for Massachusetts
Manufacturers and 1,400 jobs

Over \$200,000 in matching grants will support job creation and long-term growth at small and medium-sized manufacturers in Massachusetts

BOSTON, MA – December 12, 2017 – Today, the Baker-Polito Administration awarded \$216,067 to 32 small and medium-sized manufacturers based in Massachusetts in coordination with the Smaller Business Association of New England (SBANE). The awards provide Massachusetts manufacturers with resources to support their long-term success and job retention and creation. The awards will support more than 1,400 jobs across the Commonwealth.

“Our administration understands the competition many Massachusetts manufacturers are up against and we are committed to supporting continued job growth in the industry,” **said Governor Charlie Baker**. “Today’s awards are another piece of our comprehensive strategy to support the future of manufacturing in Massachusetts, along with substantial investments in research and development, innovation, workforce training and state-of-the-art equipment for our students and adult learners.”

“Massachusetts is home to a diverse manufacturing sector, and we are thrilled to support companies making advances in aerospace, defense, textiles and clothing, communications technology, and food production,” **said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito**. “The Commonwealth’s companies are at the forefront of manufacturing, and these grants will help generate more jobs and economic activity across Massachusetts.”

SBANE’s Manufacturing Matching Grant Program is an opportunity for small and medium-sized Massachusetts-based manufacturers to hire private consulting expertise to assist with finance, marketing, accounting, government procurement and other projects to improve business

operations or help companies make important transitions. This competitive, one-time matching grant program is overseen by the Massachusetts Office of Business Development.

“I want to thank our partners at SBANE for working with Massachusetts manufacturers to leverage their existing assets and pursue projects vital to their long-term growth and success,” **said Housing and Economic Development Secretary Jay Ash.** “These awards will help businesses tackle challenges across sales, marketing, information and communication technology, quality management, LEAN manufacturing implementation, and more, creating stronger, more resilient companies.”

“Nurturing small and medium-sized businesses to grow in Massachusetts is a top priority of the Baker-Polito Administration,” **said Nam Pham, Assistant Secretary of Business Development & International Trade.** “SBANE’s Manufacturing Matching Grant Program helps local companies to get the expertise they need to bring their manufacturing operations to the next level.”

“This program truly sets SBANE apart,” **said SBANE President Karim Hill.** “This year alone we are supporting over 1,400 jobs in the Commonwealth as these companies make necessary improvements to their business operations. SBANE has a history of pursuing these discretionary funds at the legislative level and will continue to do so to support Massachusetts manufacturing.”

These awards are part of the Baker-Polito Administration’s commitment to the future of manufacturing in Massachusetts. The administration has committed [more than \\$100 million through the M2I2 program](#) to support innovation in advanced manufacturing, in partnership with the federal Manufacturing USA program. [In October, the administration awarded \\$1.3 million to eight workforce training organizations](#) to provide advanced manufacturing training to unemployed and underemployed individuals through the Advanced Manufacturing Training Program and [announced \\$9.5 million to 32 educational institutions](#) through the Workforce Skills Capital grant program, to support the workforce needs of the Commonwealth’s advanced and globally competitive manufacturing sector.

About SBANE

The Smaller Business Association of New England, Inc. (SBANE), founded in 1938, is a private not-for-profit association of approximately 600 member companies located throughout the six-state region. SBANE was established to provide a legislative voice for small business at the state and federal levels and to make practical information available to help business owners grow their companies. SBANE runs diverse, educational and networking programs each year and has

active chapters in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The membership is characterized by a high degree of participation, reflected in a large and dynamic committee structure, addressing a range of topics from international trade to human resources.

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2017 Awards:

Atlas Devices, Boston – \$5,000

Harry Miller Co., Inc., Boston – \$7,500

Communications & Power Industries LLC, Beverly – \$7,500

Device Technologies Inc, Beverly – \$7,500

Parlee Cycles, Inc, Beverly – \$7,500

HDM Systems Corporation, Brighton – \$7,500

Sensera Inc., Chelmsford – \$7,500

TEK Microsystems, Inc., Chelmsford – \$7,500

Good Clothing Company, Inc., Fall River – \$7,500

Moduform Inc., Fitchburg – \$7,500

MRSI Systems, LLC, Fitchburg – \$7,500

Newcastle Systems, Haverhill – \$7,500

Aegis Energy Services, Inc., Holyoke – \$7,100

Arteriocyte, Inc., d/b/a Compass Biomedical, Hopkinton – \$7,500

Test Devices Inc., Hudson – \$7,500

Diamond Antenna and Microwave Corporation, Littleton – \$6,120

Electric Time Company, Inc., Medfield – \$5,000

Mide Technology, Medford – \$7,500

NFI, LLC, New Bedford – \$3,750

Product Resources, Newburyport – \$7,500

Bodkin Design & Engineering, LLC, Newton – \$7,500

Hideliners, Inc., Orange – \$5,000

Riptide Autonomous Solutions, Pembroke – \$7,500

TrucBrush Corporation, South Easton – \$3,500

Cirious, LLC, Stoughton – \$7,500

Globe Composite Solutions, Ltd., Stoughton – \$7,500

C-2 Innovation, Inc, Stow – \$5,000

Automatic Machine Products Co., Taunton – \$7,500

Fancypants Baking Co., Walpole – \$5,597

Rexa, Inc. (Koso), West Bridgewater – \$7,500

Aviva Labs, Inc., Wilmington – \$7,500