



### **Massachusetts Permit Regulatory Office**

Established in 2006, the office works with new and existing businesses to help foster job creation efforts by assisting with permitting, licensing, and regulatory processes. The Director of the Office serves as the state permitting ombudsman to municipalities and businesses, and Chair of the Interagency Permitting Board, which administers the Chapter 43D Expedited Permitting Program. The Office works in partnership with MassDevelopment, Regional Planning Agencies, and the Massachusetts Alliance for Economic Development to accomplish its core mission. [www.mass.gov/mpro](http://www.mass.gov/mpro)

### **Massachusetts Office of Business Development**

MOBD is committed to assisting companies who want to locate, expand, grow, or maintain a presence in Massachusetts. Through nine offices and five industry specialists, MOBD works with companies and municipalities to help them take advantage of available economic incentive programs. MOBD also assists companies in navigating and accessing the technical, human, financial, training, educational and site-finding resources necessary to expand or locate in Massachusetts. [www.mass.gov/mobd](http://www.mass.gov/mobd)

### **Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network**

MSBDC provides one-to-one free comprehensive and confidential services focusing on, business growth and strategies, financing and loan assistance as well as strategic, marketing and operational analysis. In addition, low cost educational training programs are offered across the state targeted to the needs of small business. <http://www.msfdc.org/semass/>

### **MassDevelopment**

MassDevelopment provides the financial tools and real estate expertise needed to stimulate economic growth across the Commonwealth. The agency works with businesses and local officials to address blighted areas, help create jobs, and address overarching issues that impact economic development, such as housing affordability. [www.massdevelopment.com](http://www.massdevelopment.com)

### **Metro South/West Regional Employment Board**

The MSW REB builds partnerships that will: 1) enable individuals and families to reach economic self-sufficiency through education and training for 21st Century jobs; and 2) help companies develop a well-trained workforce so that they might survive and prosper. The MSW REB works with industry, education, organized labor, and community organizations to build and implement strategies to achieve its mission. Its four initiatives are: Employment & Training Resources, the Technology Initiative, the Young Adult Employment Initiative, and Healthcare Works. [www.mswreb.org](http://www.mswreb.org)

### **Employment & Training Resources**

ETR is a One-Stop Career Center assisting employers in their recruitment efforts. ETR will help businesses in accessing a pool of qualified candidates to match their employment needs. Businesses may post job openings or participate in job fairs with ETR. ETR also provides information on Unemployment Insurance Benefits and the Workforce Training Fund. [www.etrcc.org](http://www.etrcc.org)

### **Massachusetts Alliance for Economic Development**

MAED is a private, non-profit partnership of business, industry leaders, and government dedicated to the economic growth of Massachusetts. The Alliance markets Massachusetts by providing information services to companies seeking to expand within or relocate to the Commonwealth. MAED offers a Site-Finder Service, Research & Information Service, and Ambassadors Program to companies as they evaluate Massachusetts as a place to locate and grow their business. [www.massecon.com](http://www.massecon.com)

### **Office of Corporate and Community Education – MassBay Community College**

As a state training provider, the Corporate branch of the Office of Corporate and Community Education has the responsibility to provide low-cost, high-quality training for employees within our service area. We are here to fulfill the training needs, development, and education of the workforce in any organization in our region to help boost productivity and motivation, as well as increase employee retention. [www.massbay.edu](http://www.massbay.edu)

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