

Massachusetts Manufacturing Accelerate Program

Solicitation No. 2023-CAM-01

FAQ

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1	Can a deposit be placed on a piece of equipment prior to the award date?	If a deposit on the equipment is a commitment to purchase, then it cannot be done prior to award notification.
2	What qualifies as "in-kind contributions"?	An in-kind contribution is a contribution of a good or a service other than cash. Some examples include: contributed or donated labor or donated equipment or materials.
3	What level of educational institution is considered "higher learning" as required for this grant?	"Higher learning" institutions are considered community colleges and higher. High schools do not apply.
4	How many awards will be granted in FY 2023?	It is difficult to know the number of awards as we do not know what size grants companies will be requesting. Last year we provided awards to 13 companies totaling \$2.1M and we anticipate having more funds available for the program this year.
5	Will there be a final round of presentations made via Zoom?	There is no round of presentations on Zoom however, the application requires submittal of a 5 minute maximum video.
6	Is there a desired format for the video? Will the video be public facing?	Mp4 is the preferred file format. Videos from cell phones are acceptable. Any material shared as part of the MMAP application, including the video, is considered a public record and therefore subject to disclosure if requested. We will not use any part of the application, including the video, for any other purpose beyond judging, without consent from the applicant.
7	Who should I connect with at the MassHire workforce boards if I'm interested in engaging them as a non-profit partner?	The MassHire system for manufacturing is divided into four regions with an overseeing "Captain". Please connect with the appropriate Captain from your region: Southeast: Deborah Meggison Deborah@masshiregreaternewbedford.com Northeast: Maryanne Ham mham@masshiremetronorth.org

		<p>Central: Kelley French KFrench@masshirenorthcentralwb.com</p> <p>West: David Cruise dcruise@masshirehcb.com</p> <p>Any clarifying questions should be directed to proposals@masstech.org.</p>
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