

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DCED)

HELPING COMMUNITIES AND INDUSTRIES FLOURISH



WHO WE ARE

DCED encourages the shared prosperity of all Pennsylvanians by supporting good stewardship and sustainable development initiatives across the state. Driven by the needs of Pennsylvania's citizens, the agency acts as an advisor and advocate to provide strategic technical assistance, training, and financial resources to help communities and industries flourish.

DCED's dedicated professionals are committed to identifying strategic solutions to help improve communities and advance Pennsylvania's economy. The department's seven program areas work together to integrate community and economic development to maximize impact.

OUR PARTNERS

Successful and sustainable communities and economies require engaged leadership at the local level to drive continuous improvement.

DCED works in strategic partnership with business and community leaders by offering technical assistance to build the capacity of many different groups and individuals across the state, including:

- Community Action Agencies
- Entrepreneurs & Innovators
- Economic Development Organizations
- Factory-Built Housing Industry
- For-Profit Businesses
(PA, domestic, and international)
- Housing Consumers
- Higher Education Institutions Municipalities
- PA Residents
- Site Selection Consultants

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WHAT WE DO

The **Office of Business Finance and Workforce Development** is responsible for administering and monitoring our grant, low-interest loan, tax credit, and private financing programs. These programs support community revitalization efforts, business growth and expansion projects in Pennsylvania, and workforce training.

The **Office of Community Affairs & Development** leads DCED's community development activities and offers programs that assist municipalities, local elected officials, nonprofits, and community agencies.

The **Governor's Action Team** assists companies looking to expand or relocate in Pennsylvania. The team identifies prospective sites, provides information to help drive decisions, facilitates engagement with other state agencies and stakeholders, and prepares customized financial assistance packages to support job creation and retention.

The **Office of International Business Development** works with Pennsylvania companies to increase their export sales to international markets, and also is responsible for attracting international companies to open or expand business operations in the state.

The **Office of Technology & Entrepreneurship** fosters innovation to ensure the success of Pennsylvania's entrepreneurs, start-ups, and other sectors with a focus on technology-driven economic development.

The **Office of Economic Development Marketing, Tourism & Film** manages the marketing and advertising of Pennsylvania as a great place to do business and visit. The office is also responsible for promoting the programs and services of DCED, and administering the state's film tax credit program to support film production in Pennsylvania.