



FISCAL YEAR 2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

Financial Services

Small Business Administration Grants

Recipient: Delaware Valley Industrial Resource Center (DVIRC)

Location: 2905 Southampton Road, Philadelphia, PA 19154

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Emerging Manufacturers Initiative, a program undertaken by the DVIRC, to develop and implement a manufacturing education and training curriculum that will assist participating companies in expanding their businesses. Modeled after the Small Business Administration's Emerging 200 Initiative, DVIRC will identify 20 small manufacturing companies in the Southeastern Pennsylvania region that have generated at least \$250,000 in annual sales for the past three years and develop a manufacturing education and training curriculum that will assist the companies in adopting successful expansion strategies for their businesses. The Emerging Manufacturers Initiative will provide these businesses the opportunity to work with experienced mentors, attend workshops and develop connections with peers, elected officials, community leaders and the local financial community. Of the \$500,000 requested, \$200,000 will be for development of the education and training curriculum and \$300,000 will be for implementation of the curriculum, as well as professional salaries.

Recipient: Northampton Community College

Location: 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020

Amount Requested: \$360,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Electrotechnology Applications Center (ETAC), a program undertaken by Northampton Community College, to provide assistance to manufacturers and other firms to help them increase productivity, improve energy efficiency and achieve and maintain environmental compliance. ETAC evaluates clients' current operations and helps them seek out cleaner, faster and less expensive production alternatives. ETAC's efforts will benefit the community and state by reducing energy consumption and other pollutants that contribute to poor air quality. Of the \$360,000 requested, \$200,000 will be for professional salaries to provide assistance to the manufacturers and \$160,000 for supplies, materials and other fees.

Recipient: The Technology Collaborative

Location: One North Shore Center, 12 Federal Street, Suite 420, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Advanced Robotics Accelerator, a project undertaken by The Technology Collaborative, to accelerate the establishment of advanced robotics product development and marketing operations in Southwestern Pennsylvania. The project will bring international and multi-national companies into the Southwestern Pennsylvania region by providing directed funding and resources needed to transition robotics technologies into commercial products and by providing these companies with opportunities to collaborate with university research and small business partners. Of the \$500,000 requested, \$225,000 will be for professional salaries and \$275,000 to assist in the transition of robotics technologies into commercial products, as well as other fees. Additionally, The Technology Collaborative was appropriated \$665,000 in fiscal year 2009 for the Advanced Robotics Accelerator project.

Recipient: Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse

Location: 100 Technology Drive, Suite 400, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Tech Belt Biosciences Initiative, a program undertaken by the Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse, to move innovative biosciences concepts and technologies into the marketplace. To accomplish this goal, the Tech Belt Biosciences Initiative will provide consulting services and marketing efforts to increase venture capital flow and the formation of new technology companies in the Pittsburgh region. This initiative will help continue the Greenhouse's commercialization efforts to obtain financing for the sustainability of startup companies in the fields of medical devices, therapeutics, diagnostics, biotech tools and healthcare information technology. Of the \$500,000 requested, \$400,000 will be for professional salaries to assist startup companies and \$100,000 will be for commercialization and marketing efforts. Additionally, the Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse was appropriated \$234,746 in fiscal year 2009 for the Tech Belt Biosciences Initiative.

Recipient: Urban League of Philadelphia

Location: 121 South Broad Street, 9th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Amount Requested: \$100,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Urban League Entrepreneurship Center (ULEC), a program undertaken by the Urban League of Philadelphia, to provide the management skills, infrastructure tools and resources that will enable minority entrepreneurs to grow and take advantage of new business and financing opportunities. ULEC has positioned itself to expand job training opportunities for Pennsylvania's working population through its coaches, consultants and advisory board, who provide broad and specialized services.

Specifically, the \$100,000 will be for professional salaries to provide technical assistance to entrepreneurs, as well as development of entrepreneurial training programs.

Recipient: General Services Administration

Location: Lancaster, PA

Amount Requested: \$27,000,000

Project Description: I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the General Services Administration, for the Lancaster Courthouse Federal-Construct Project. A Lancaster facility is critical to the need of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to preside over civil and criminal matters in the region. The General Services Administration maintains that this Federal-Construct Project is a cost-effective use of our taxpayers' money.