

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) grows the state's economy and increases equitable access to opportunity by supporting high-quality job creation, catalyzing investment, and fostering vibrant, inclusive community development. NJEDA works in partnership with a diverse range of stakeholders to implement programs and initiatives that improve quality of life, enhance economic vitality, and strengthen New Jersey's long-term economic competitiveness. Featured below please find select NJEDA programs of note per division.

# ---Our Programs

Innovation | Small Business | Economic Security | Clean Energy | Inclusive Growth Economic Diversification | Placemaking

# **Community Development**



### <u>Small Business</u> <u>Improvement Grant:</u>

Reimburses costs for building improvements or the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment.



#### **Small Business Lease Grant:**

Grants to offset lease payments for businesses leasing new or additional space. Two grant awards of 20% of the annual lease.

**Food Retail Innovation in** 

**Delivery Grant (FRIDG):** 

Grants to purchase self-

contained, temperature-

controlled lockers. Covers 30-

50% of total project cost up to

\$250,000.



### <u>Micro Business Loan</u>

Provides financing of up to \$50,000 to NJ micro businesses with 10 or fewer full-time employees and no greater than \$1.5 million in



#### <u>Child Care Facilities</u> <u>Improvement Grant:</u>

Funding for licensed childcare centers and registered family child homes to make facility improvements. Awards

#### Awards of up to \$50,000.



#### **Food Security Planning:**

Grants ranging from \$75,000 to \$125,000 to improve food access and food security.

# **Economic Transformation**



## NJ Zero Emission Incentive Program (NJZIP):

Vouchers of up to \$175,000 to support businesses with the purchase of zero-emission vehicles. Two phases thus far.



## <u>Black & Latino</u> <u>Seed Fund:</u>

Creation of a \$10M seed fund for Black and Latinx startups. Three fund managers selected.

# annual revenues.



## <u>Activation, Revitalization,</u> <u>Transformation (ART):</u>

Grant funding for catalytic development and public space activation projects in Newark and AC. Max award ranging from \$1.5M-\$3.5M.



### <u>New Jersey Innovation</u> <u>Fellows Program:</u>

Supports would-be entrepreneurs with "income replacement" grants of up to \$200,000.

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# <u>Cannabis Joint Equity</u> <u>Grant Program</u>

Grants of up to \$250,000 to support new businesses in the cannabis industry for their start up and operational costs.



# <u>NJ Innovation Evergreen</u> <u>Fund (NJIEF):</u>

NJ to become an equity investor in startups, deploying up to \$600M into companies alongside professional VCs.

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# **Economic Transformation**



# <u>Strategic Innovation</u> <u>Centers (SICs):</u>

Investments in facilities that directly support research and development, innovation, or entrepreneurship.





Emerge Program: Provides per-job tax credits ranging from \$500-\$8,000 to projects that invest private

capital into NJ & create new or retain good-paying jobs. \$1B annual cap shared with Aspire.





# <u>NJ Manufacturing</u> <u>Voucher Program (MVP):</u>

Provides NJ manufacturers with grant funding of up to \$250,000 to purchase manufacturing equipment.





# <u>Wind Institute:</u>

Supports programs that accelerate the development of a robust and diverse offshore wind workforce.





## <u>Film & Digital Media</u> <u>Tax Credit:</u>

Provides a transferable tax credit of up to 35% of qualified expenses incurred for the production of film and digital media content in

NJ.



#### Angel Investor Tax Credit Program:

Provides refundable tax credits for up to 20% of a qualified investment in an emerging technology business with a physical presence in NJ that conducts research, manufacturing, or technology commercialization.

# <u>State Small Business</u> <u>Credit Initiative (SSBCI):</u>

\$255M to develop 6 programs that will provide financial assistance and TA to small/micro businesses, and early-stage, innovationfocused companies.



### <u>New Jersey Accelerate:</u>

Encourages the participation of New Jersey entrepreneurs in high-quality accelerator programs, which support growing young, innovative companies in the state.

#### Angel Match:

Provides early-stage, productbased innovation companies matched funding with Angel investors. Funding will create an entrepreneurial ecosystem that will provide employment opportunities for NJ residents.



### Garden State C-PACE Program:

Financing tool which allows commercial property owners to access financing to undertake qualifying energy efficiency, renewable energy, water conservation, and resiliency improvements.

#### <u>New Jersey Ignite:</u>

Supports entrepreneurs by providing rent support grants, and provides collaborative workspaces with a new tenant attraction tool.



# <u>Net Operating Loss</u> <u>Program (NOL):</u>

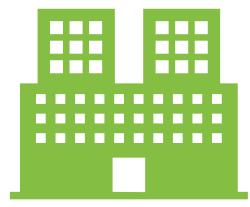
Enables tech and life sciences companies to sell their net operating losses and/or research and development tax credits for cash. Program is subject to an annual cap of \$75M.

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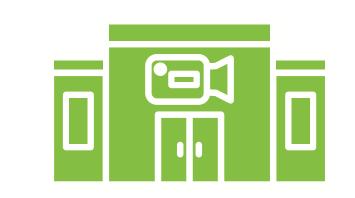
# **Real Estate and Infrastructure**



#### **Aspire Program:**

Gap financing tool to support commercial and mixed use residential real estate development projects. Award caps range from \$42M-\$60M, with up to \$300M for transformative. \$1B annual cap shared with Emerge.





# <u>Film & Digital Media Studio</u> <u>Infrastructure Program:</u>

Up to \$4.75M in grant funding for infrastructure improvements and sitework to develop a film or digital media studio production facility.





# Construction Inflation Fund Pilot Program:

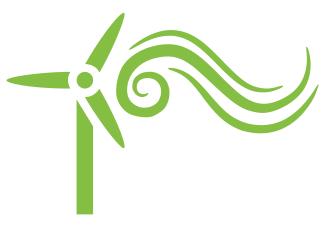
Up to \$5M in grant funding for real estate development projects with increased costs and project funding gaps as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.





#### **Stranded Assets:**

Strategic investments in the redevelopment and repositioning of underutilized commercial properties into viable commercial or mixed-use properties.



#### Brownfield Redevelopment Incentive Program:

One-time transferable tax credit to assist with the redevelopment of brownfield sites for commercial, retail, or mixed-use development or expansion. \$50M annual program cap.

# **Lending Products**



#### **Premier Lender Program:**

Partnering with banks to ensure that businesses and communities have the resources to expand and grow. Funding up to \$2,000,000.

# <u>Historic Property</u> <u>Reinvestment:</u>

Competitive tax credit to leverage the federal historic tax credit program to support rehabilitation projects of identified historic properties. \$50M annual program cap.

### <u>Urban Investment</u> <u>Fund (UIF):</u>

Grant funding to support catalytic development programs that increase foot-traffic and create more livable cities. *Upcoming.* 

#### **New Jersey Wind Port:**

Nation's first purpose-built offshore wind marshaling port, positioning NJ as a hub for the U.S. offshore wind industry. \$1B public sector investment.



#### **Bond Financing Program:**

Financing for creditworthy manufacturing companies, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organizations, and exempt facilities in state.



#### **Direct Loans:**

Loans for NJ businesses in need of financing and committed to job creation/ retention when conventional financing is not available.



#### **DEP Clean Up Programs:**

Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) and Petroleum Underground Storage Tank (PUST) program administered by EDA and DEP.

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