



## Small Business Express Matching Grant Program

- **Eligible Applicants**
  - Employ not more than 50 employees
  - Connecticut-based business with operations in Connecticut
  - Registered to conduct business in this state for at least 12 months
  - Be in good standing on all state and local taxes
  
- **Priority**
  - Economic-based industries
  - Businesses likely to maintain job growth
  
- **Eligible Expenditures**
  - Training
  - Working capital
  - Purchase of machinery and equipment
  - Construction or leasehold improvements
  - Relocation within the state
  - Other business-related expenses as authorized by the Commissioner of DECD
  
- **Terms and Conditions**
  - Grant amounts from \$10,000 to a maximum of \$100,000
  - Business must match state grant award dollar for dollar
  - DECD prioritizes on likelihood of applicant maintaining job growth

*\*Note: In most cases, applications will be reviewed, approved and funded, if applicable within 30 days of complete application submission.*

To apply please complete and submit the Application form located at [www.ct.gov/ecd](http://www.ct.gov/ecd) and click on Small Business Express Program. The Program Procedures and Guidelines will assist with the application process.

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