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Announcing Economic Impact Awards Finalists

Nineteen companies from across Massachusetts were selected as Finalists for the Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards for their contributions to the state's economy. Read about the finalist companies in this <u>press release</u>. Check out details about sponsoring the event <u>here</u>.

MassEcon's Staff Has Expanded!

Jaimy Jean-Noel joined MassEcon this month as the Office Administrator/Events Coordinator. Learn more about her background here. Welcome Jaimy!

Welcome New Member Company: Langan!

Langan is a premier engineering and environmental services consulting firm. The Boston Office serves clients in all market sectors throughout the Commonwealth and New England with seamlessly-integrated geotechnical, environmental, site/civil engineering, landscape design, transportation planning, and permitting expertise. The primary member contact is Doug Landry, Associate, Boston Office Lead. Learn more about the company here.







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MassEcon sustains its work through dues and sponsorship of events. Learn how you can support our work by sponsoring an event in 2019 here.



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Upcoming Events

2019 Economic Impact Awards Finalists Reception

Companies from across the state were selected as finalists, recognized for their economic contributions to the state in terms of jobs added, facility investment, facility expansion, and community involvement. The companies will gather at the Finalists Reception and pitch session for the Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards, conferred annually by MassEcon. The winners will be recognized at the Sixteenth Annual Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards Luncheon on November 26.

MassDevelopment President & CEO Lauren Liss will be the Finalists Reception Featured Speaker.

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Learn about sponsoring the event here.



When: Thursday, September 19; 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.: Judging Sessions 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.: Finalists Reception

Where: Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP - 155 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, MA 02210

This event is for sponsors, judges, and finalists only.

September Members Meeting: Eversource, Economic Development, Major Projects Review

Who: Mike Vedovelli, Manager, Community Relations - Massachusetts, Eversource Energy

When: Friday, September 27: 8 - 10 a.m.
Registration and Networking: 8-8:30 a.m.
Business Meeting for Members: 8:30 - 9 a.m.
Featured Speaker and Discussion/Q&A: 9-10 a.m.

Where: 200 Friberg Parkway, Westborough (Second Floor

Conference Room)

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Hunneman Real Estate and **Kronos** were both named among the 2019 Best Places to Work by the *Boston Business Journal*. Read more <u>here</u>. Kronos was also named by the *Boston Business Journal* as one of the 2019 Corporate Citizens "Partners of the Year" for its work with UTEC. Read more <u>here</u>.

WPI is working with a Holliston-based manufacturer of prosthetic devices, Liberating Technologies (and an occupational therapist), to develop wireless sensors to improve the performance of upper-limb prosthetics. Read more here.

For the second year in a row, **Tighe & Bond** has been named as a member of the PSMJ Resources Inc. 2019 Circle of Excellence for its outstanding achievements in areas such as profitability, overhead management, cash flow, productivity, business development, and staff growth. Read more here.

Chamberofcommerce.com named **Chelmsford**, **Framingham**, and **Marlborough** among the 20 Best Cities to Live in Massachusetts, based on employment, housing, quality of life, education and health. Read more here.



#2945: MassEcon was contacted by CBRE Labor Analytics Group in Phoenix representing an IT Back Office operation within Boston looking to expand to more than 250 employees. The company will hire Software Engineers and Data Scientists. MassEcon has arranged interviews for the consultant with Aerotek, Beacon Hill Staffing, and Kronos. No real estate requirement at this time, as the labor market is being evaluated. Thank you to Aerotek, Beacon Hill Staffing, and Kronos for taking the time to help us with this project.

Update: MassEcon heard from CBRE and next steps will be determined in September.

#2939: MassEcon and MLSC are assisting a Korea-based biologics company looking for 4,300 SF of wet lab space and lease rates within the Metro Boston market. Thank you to Avison Young for providing real estate expertise to assist with this requirement.

Update: Avison Young is further assisting the company to evaluate properties in Waltham, Woburn, and Lexington.

These members were recognized by the *Boston Business Journal* as **Most Charitable Companies**: Chase Bank; Eastern Bank; EMD Serono; Ernst & Young; Eversource Energy; Janitronics Building Services; Kronos; Middlesex Savings Bank; Sanofi; Santander; TD Bank; VHB. Read more here.

Santander is launching a 12-week program for mid-career professionals (primarily women) returning to the workforce. Read more <u>here</u>.

NAIOP Massachusetts was recently named Organization of the Year by the *Boston Real Estate Times*. Read more <u>here</u>. Also, NAIOP is offering a two-day course next month on "Navigating the Permitting Maze" which includes speakers from **VHB**. Read more <u>here</u>.

For the second year in a row, City Awake, a program of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, is hosting Fierce Urgency of Now: Energizing Young Professionals of Color to Unlock Boston's Promise September 4-8. Read more here. Also, on September 6, join City Awake's discussion with Tristan Walker who will share his journey as a young black entrepreneur. Read more here.

Nineteen emerging leaders recently completed the **North Central Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce**'s Community Leadership Institute. Read more here.

MassBio's 2019 Industry Snapshot report shows that the Massachusetts biopharma industry experienced the highest year-over-year employment growth in over a decade, and investment in the industry reached an all-time-high, with \$4.8 billion of venture capital investment in Massachusetts biopharma companies in 2018. Read more here.

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#2927: Project Iris

MassEcon, MOBD, MLSC, MassBio, and MassDevelopment are working with a Chicagobased site consultant representing a biopharmaceutical manufacturer considering Massachusetts and other states. The company will have a 180,000-250,000 SF facility. The consultant and company officials recently visited Massachusetts to tour real estate options and meet with employers. Properties in Devens, Boxborough, and Waltham are being evaluated as potential locations for the project.

Update: At this time, the project has temporarily been put on hold, but should resume in September. The project may be modified in scope and likely in team composition.



Pete Abair convened a second MassLeads meeting with state and trade organization partners, and MassEcon completed new Business Intelligence Reports for member/partners City of Leominster, Town of Chelmsford, and the Marlborough EDC.

Doug Kehlhem is working with partners on the next fiscal year out-of-state business recruitment plan of activities for MassEcon.

The plan of activities will include site selector receptions, office visits to site location consultants, and key trade shows, and site selector specific conferences.

Annie O'Connell is preparing for the Finalists Reception and working closely with Jaimy as she gets started at MassEcon. She also met with the Environmental League of Massachusetts to discuss how our organizations could partner to support economic development in Massachusetts.

2019 CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

SEP 19

Economic Impact Awards - Finalists Reception

SEP 27

Members Meeting

OCT 3

Board Meeting

NOV 26

Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards

DEC 12

Annual Meeting and Holiday Lunch