



MassEcon Developments

News for Members

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Economic Impact Awards

Governor Baker to Deliver Keynote at Economic Impact Awards Luncheon on November 21

We are thrilled to announce that, for the third year in a row, Governor Baker will be delivering remarks at the [Economic Impact Awards Luncheon](#) at the Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel.

Economic Impact Awards Finalists Deliver 1-Minute Pitches!

Eighteen companies from across the state delivered 1-minute pitches on why they should be chosen for a 2017 Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Award. The finalists were selected from a pool of 100+ companies, and the winners will be announced in October. For the full list of finalist companies, click [here](#). For photos, click [here](#) and stay tuned for event videos.

*Interested in joining the Awards Committee?
Email [Annie](#)*

Sponsor Economic Impact Awards

Get involved in supporting economic growth in Massachusetts by sponsoring the 2017 Economic Impact Awards. Click [here](#) to learn about the different benefits and sponsorship opportunities that are available.

MassEcon News

Secretary of Transportation Stephanie Pollack to be Featured Speaker at Holiday Lunch

The Department of Transportation is led by Secretary and CEO Stephanie Pollack, who will be the featured speaker at the MassEcon holiday lunch on **December 13**. Stay tuned for more details. **Interested in sponsoring this lunch? Contact [Susan](#).**

Welcome MassEcon Fall Semester Interns

Say hello to our two new interns: Katelyn Ramos, a rising senior at Boston College studying Communications, and Michael Silveira, who is earning his Masters in Public Administration at Suffolk University.

2018 MassEcon Calendar Released!

It's not too early to save the date and plan for exciting 2018 MassEcon events. Click [here](#) for the 2018 MassEcon calendar.

2017 TEAM MASSACHUSETTS
Economic Impact Awards Luncheon
Boston Renaissance Waterfront Hotel
November 21, 2017
Featured Speaker Governor Charlie Baker

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Governor Charlie Baker
Keynote Speaker at Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

CONGRATULATIONS! 14th Annual Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Award Finalists

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Location is everything.

Logos of finalist companies: Cumberland Farms, AVISTA, COLD CHAIN TECHNOLOGIES, Metropolitan, KRONOS, Instrumentation Laboratory, Shark NINJA, INTERPRINT, EMAD EGRONO, Clarks, EATALY, ThermoFisher Scientific, ABIO MED, SMC Ltd., Avecia, and TSUBAKI.

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Stephanie Pollack, Secretary of Transportation
Holiday Lunch Featured Speaker



Thank you to Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP for hosting the
Finalists Reception



Mike Kennealy, Assistant Secretary for Business Growth
Finalists Reception Featured Guest

Amazon HQ2

Amazon's [search](#) for a second North American HQ has absorbed the attention of the economic development community throughout the state, and several MassEcon members are directly involved in the effort. ReadyMass 100 properties Union Point in Weymouth and Osgood Landing in North Andover have formally declared interest in the project. See Globe articles on the [statewide options](#), [Boston's bid](#), and yesterday's column on ["Amazon in Lawrence? New Bedford? Worcester? Why not?"](#) More to report after October 19, the deadline for submission of proposals!

ReadyMass 100 News

Five new properties were added to the ReadyMass 100 portfolio this summer, and the news was picked up by two publications:

- ["These Five Sites Are 'Ready' For the Next GE"](#) (Banker & Tradesman)
- ["Former Reebok HQ Added to ReadyMass 100 Portfolio"](#) (GlobeSt.com)

Upcoming Events

View the full MassEcon calendar [here](#).

September Members Meeting

When: Thursday, September 28

Featured Guest: Rosalin Acosta, Secretary of Labor & Workforce Development

8 - 8:30 a.m.: Registration and Networking

8:30 - 9: Members Meeting

9-10: Featured Speaker and Discussion

Where: 1 Research Drive (Auditorium), Westborough

To register, please contact [Annie](#)

Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

When: Tuesday, November 21

Where: Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel - 606 Congress Street, Boston, MA
Watch for registration!

Annual Meeting and Holiday Lunch

When: Wednesday, December 13 (NOTE NEW DATE)

Featured Guest: Stephanie Pollack, Secretary of Transportation

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Members Meeting

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.: Holiday Lunch

Where: UMass Club - 1 Beacon Street, Boston, MA

Watch for registration!

Welcome New Members

The **Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce**, **Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce** and **Fidelity Bank** are the latest organizations to join MassEcon. Welcome!



Rosalin Acosta, Secretary of Labor & Workforce Development
September Members Meeting Featured Guest

2017 Committees

Government Relations Committee

- Chair: Rebecca Frisch (TD Bank)
- Place: TD Bank, 200 State Street, 10th Floor, Boston
- Date: 11/3
- Time: 8:30-10 am

Location Intelligence Committee

- Co-chairs: Chris Steele (Investment Consulting Associates) and Russ Burke (BSC Group)
- Date: 12/1
- Time: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Membership & Marketing Committee

- Co-chairs: Bonnie Sullivan (Middlesex Savings Bank) and Dorrian Cohen-Fragola (Janitronics Building Services)
- Place: MassEcon, 101 Walnut Street, Watertown
- Date: 10/13
- Time: 9 - 10:30 am

Program & Events Committee

- Chair: Bill Harris (Perkins + Will)
- Place: Perkins + Will, 225 Franklin Street, Suite 1100, Boston
- Date: 10/12 (NOTE NEW DATE)
- Time: 8:30 - 10 am

For more information, click [here](#) or contact [Annie](#).

2017 Member Calendar Highlights

Thursday, September 28, 2017
Members Meeting

Tuesday, November 21, 2017
Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 (NOTE NEW DATE)
Annual Meeting & Holiday Lunch

Member News

Congratulations to these members named to the *Worcester Business Journal* 40 under Forty:

- Justin Dufresne, Project Manager: VHB
- David Viens, Partner: Bowditch & Dewey
- Andrew Palumbo, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid: WPI

Investment Consulting Associates is moving from the suburbs to the Back Bay of Boston as of October 1! Please reach out and visit them then at 359 Newbury Street in Boston.

Former Assistant Secretary of Technology, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Katie Stebbins, recently joined **UMass** as the Vice President of Economic Development. Katie will be the primary MassEcon member contact.

Transwestern released its [bioSTATus - Mid-Year 2017](#) report on Greater Boston's laboratory market.

Here are the MassEcon members who made the [Boston Business Journal's List of Top Charitable Contributors](#):

- Eastern Bank
- Citizens Bank
- Sanofi Genzyme
- Eversource Energy
- Middlesex Savings Bank
- TD Bank
- Janitronics Building Services
- VHB
- Transwestern
- J. Calnan & Associates

Bowditch & Dewey is hosting its [3rd Annual Economic Development Summit](#) on November 1, where Michael Goodman, the Executive Director of the Public Policy Center at UMass Dartmouth, will give the keynote address. Panelists include Jay Ash, Secretary of Housing and Economic Development; Tim Murray, President and CEO of the **Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce**; Meredith Harris, Executive Director of the **Marlboro EDC**; and Paul Matthews, Executive Director of the **495/MetroWest Partnership**. The panel will be moderated by Roy Angel, **MassDevelopment's** Vice President of Commercial Lending for the Central Region.

Please send Member News to [Annie](#).

Projects

#2841: A Midwest-based consultant is representing an out-of-state manufacturer seeking to lease or buy 215,000 SF within 5 miles of a major highway. Between 50 and 132 employees will be hired over the first 3 years. Focused on the MetroWest Region (west of Framingham), Central Region and Western MA. Other New England states are being considered. **Update: The consultant has informed MassEcon that NJ and PA are the focus of the search at this time. Thank you to the 495 MetroWest Partnership and EDC of Western Massachusetts for participating in the tour with the consultant and company.**

2018 Member Calendar Highlights

Friday, January 19, 2018
Members Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2018
Board Meeting

Friday, March 16, 2018
Members Meeting

Thursday, April 5, 2018
Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 11, 2018
Corporate Welcome Reception

Friday, May 11, 2018
Members Meeting

Friday, June 1, 2018
Annual Conference

Thursday, June 7, 2018
Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 11, 2018
Summer Reception

Wednesday, September 12, 2018
Team MA Economic Impact Awards Finalists Reception

Friday, September 28, 2018
Members Meeting

Thursday, October 4, 2018
Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 20, 2018
Team MA Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

Thursday, December 13, 2018
Annual Meeting and Holiday Lunch

#2848: Project Galaxy represents a well-known national corporation looking for a new location for a warehouse/distribution center for consumer products. The client is looking statewide for 1.2 million SF (existing/expandable or new construction, including parking, on 125+ acres). The client will develop and own the facility and will employ 1,000 people (150 management/professional position and 850 warehouse positions) The entire Northeast (US) region is being considered.

Staff in Action

This month, **Susan Houston**, when not absorbed by MassEcon's audit and office move (within VHB's Watertown premises), secured and briefed speakers for MassEcon's fall events; worked with co-hosts MetroWest Chamber of Commerce and Middlesex 3 Coalition on October presentations of the MassEcon-UMass report *Choosing MA for Business*; attended members GZA/GeoEnvironmental and UMass Benchmarks anniversary events; and met with Tim Murray, President of the Greater Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce, to discuss collaborative efforts. Susan was also interviewed by *Boston Globe* reporters about the Amazon HQ project.

Doug Kehlhem, among other activities, spent time in MetroWest this month. He attended the Framingham/MetroWest Life Sciences conference; as a board member of the Marlborough Economic Development Corporation, attended their Board Meeting and Founder's Reception; and at the invitation of Atlantic Management, toured the AstraZeneca site in Westborough. Doug also joined Susan and board member Fred Mulligan in their meeting at the Greater Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Annie O'Connell executed the Finalists Reception and is working with the new interns to prepare for the Economic Impact Awards Luncheon. She also attended the most recent Membership & Marketing Committee at the Kendall Square Association and participated in MassEcon's Program & Events/Awards Committee meeting.

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