MassWorks Infrastructure Program (MassWorks)
MassWorks

Created in 2010 the to provide municipalities with a one-stop shop for public infrastructure funding to support housing production, economic development and job creation. The Program is an administrative consolidation of six former grant programs:

– Public Works Economic Development (PWED)
– Community Development Action Grant (CDAG)
– Growth Districts Initiative (GDI) Grant Program
– Massachusetts Opportunity Relocation and Expansion Program (MORE)
– Small Town Rural Assistance Program (STRAP)
– Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Program

The MassWorks Infrastructure Program provides funding for public infrastructure projects to support:

– Economic development and job creation and retention
– Housing development at density of at least 4 units to the acre (both market and affordable units)
– Transportation improvements to enhancing safety in small, rural communities

The MassWorks Infrastructure Program is administered by the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development, in cooperation with the Department of Transportation, the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, and the Executive Office for Administration & Finance.
Four competitive grant rounds held

The program has received 493 applications with over $1.2 billion in requests.

Over $226 million has been invested through the competitive grant round in 132 projects across the Commonwealth.

The program has been successful in achieving most of its spending targets each year.

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2014 Round Results

105 applications were submitted with $241 million in requests
31 infrastructure grants were awarded totaling over $66.8 million
NorthWest Park, Burlington

Overview
The Town of Burlington has received $4.5 million in MassWorks grants to support road reconstruction, traffic signalization, pedestrian crosswalks and sidewalk paving in NorthWest Park, a state designated Growth District, and the Burlington Research Center. MassWorks funding leveraged $3 million in private investment for the infrastructure projects and $350 million for private development.

Private Development
Third Avenue’s multi-phased, mixed-use development, which at full build out, will result in 300 housing units, 3.28 million square feet of office space and 600,000 square feet of retail and restaurants; and Burlington Research Center’s new 430,000 square foot, LEED-certified office development for Keurig’s headquarters.

Job Creation
The public-private development will bring thousands of jobs to Burlington. Beginning in 2013, Keurig relocated 450 jobs and plans to create 400 more over a four- to five-year period. Wegmans anticipates creating 600 new jobs, 150 of which will be FTEs. At full build out, thousands of construction jobs will have been created and more retail and office jobs will be added to Third Avenue.
City Square, Worcester

Project Overview
Worcester has received $27.25 million in MassWorks funding to support the $565 million CitySquare project. The leveraged project will transform an underutilized mall into approximately 2.2 million square feet of mixed-use space, including office, housing, hospitality, retail, medical and parking in the heart of the downtown.

Private Development
As of 2014, 280,000 square feet of office and medical space has been completed.

The forthcoming 158-room hotel, 21,000 sqft restaurant and retail space, 350 market-rate apartments, 550-space underground parking garage and public plaza will expand hospitality, housing, retail, community space, and parking in Worcester’s downtown.

Job Creation
The public-private development will bring nearly 1,000 jobs to CitySquare and has created thousands of construction jobs.
2015 MassWorks Competitive Grant Round

- **June 1**
  - MassWorks Online Application opens
  - Guidance for 2015 round will be available online on the MassWorks website (www.mass.gov/infrastructure)

- **June-August**
  - Municipalities can access the system, initiate applications, save information
  - Previous applications available to municipalities
  - Municipalities can also add consultants to work on applications

- **Late August**
  - Submission period opens for 2 weeks
  - Only municipalities can submit applications during this period
  - Applications will not be considered for the 2015 round after submission period ends.

- **November**
  - Applicants are notified of decisions
  - Executive Officers of communities are notified of decisions, interested stakeholders should refer to municipal officials
Thank You

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