

# START SOMETHING GREAT

**Attractive new incentives for investors and entrepreneurs coupled with our business-development programs and tools make it an ideal time to start something great in Minnesota.**

## Great New Incentives

### Angel Tax Credit

It's easier than ever for investors and investment funds to put money into startup and emerging companies focused on high technology or new proprietary technology.

### Research and Development Tax Credit

Minnesota's new-and-improved R&D credit has doubled in size and also expands the credit to include individuals involved in partnerships, S-corporations and limited liability companies.

### State Small Business Credit Initiative

This new initiative aims at spurring \$150 million in private-sector lending and helping creditworthy small businesses and manufacturers get the capital they need to expand.

## Great Collaboration with Industry

### International Trade Assistance

Expand your company's markets and bottom line by taking goods and services global. Our staff in the Minnesota Trade Office can show you how.

### Minnesota Jobs Skills Partnership

Provides grants to companies and educational institutions that partner to develop new-job training or retraining for existing employees.

### SBIR-STTR Programs

Provide federal funding to help small companies to startup, develop and bring high-tech products to market.

## Great Legacy of Innovation

What makes investing in Minnesota companies a wise move? Our reputation for innovation, R&D excellence, and commercial success is well known. We rank:

- First in Fortune 500 companies per capita
- Fifth on the Forbes list largest private companies per capita
- Eighth for patents awarded in 2006-10
- Third in bioscience related patents per one million residents
- Sixth nationwide in patents per capita in 2010.
- Tenth nationwide in R&D expenditures by public companies
- Ninth in neurotechnology



**Make Minnesota Your Next Great Investment.**

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