

IMC Secures ARC Grant to Advance Green Energy Manufacturing and Workforce Development in Central PA

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The Innovative Manufacturers Center (IMC), a public-private partnership dedicated to supporting small- and medium-sized manufacturers (SMMs) in Central Pennsylvania, has been awarded a \$510,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission's (ARC) Appalachian Regional Initiative for Stronger Economies (ARISE) fund.

This funding will enable IMC to help SMMs in its 12-county region expand or enter the growing green technology and clean energy sectors, fostering economic growth and sustainability.

Driving Green Technology Adoption

The ARC grant will support Central PA manufacturers in adopting technologies and practices for renewable energy, hydrogen power, low-carbon and decarbonized energy, smart grid improvements, electric vehicles, and green buildings.

IMC will provide:

- **Training and Technical Assistance:** Resources to upskill employees and implement green technologies.
- **Supply Chain Mapping:** Insights to help manufacturers identify and capitalize on opportunities in the green energy market.
- **Factory Upgrades Guidance:** Support for facility improvements to meet the needs of clean energy production.

Empowering Regional Growth

This initiative will strengthen Central Pennsylvania's manufacturing ecosystem, positioning the region as a leader in green energy innovation while creating jobs and enhancing sustainability.

Central PA manufacturers interested in leveraging this opportunity are encouraged to contact IMC for more information at info@imcpa.com, 570-329-3200.