

ALL ABOUT DEED

THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) is the state's principal economic development agency, with programs promoting business recruitment, expansion and retention; workforce development; international trade; and community development. The agency's mission is to support the economic success of individuals, businesses, and communities by improving opportunities for growth. DEED's organizational structure is aligned with its mission.

Business and Community Development

The Business and Community Development Division provides a variety of financial and technical services to businesses, communities and economic development professionals. The division promotes and assists in the expansion of exports, works with companies to expand in or relocate to Minnesota, and helps communities with infrastructure financing.

Workforce Development

The Workforce Development Division works with local and statewide partners to provide training and support to unemployed and dislocated workers, and financial assistance for businesses seeking to upgrade the skills of their workforce. Additional services include State Services for the Blind, Rehabilitation Services, Local Labor Exchange, and Disability Determination. Many of these services are provided at Minnesota WorkForce Centers located throughout the state.

Unemployment Insurance

The Unemployment Insurance Division provides a temporary partial wage replacement to Minnesota workers who become unemployed through no fault of their own. It is an economic stabilizer and stimulator during economic downturns and helps maintain an available skilled workforce.

Communications, Analysis and Research

The Communications, Analysis and Research Division coordinates DEED's information resources and provides centralized services in the areas of communications, marketing, publications, economic analysis, and labor market and other research. The division also implements the state branding program—Positively Minnesota—in partnership with business, industry, education, and governmental organizations.

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