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Delta Dental Members Now Have Access to Virtual Dental Visits 24/7!

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Thank you all for your hard work and dedication. We appreciate all you do!



Feeling the inflation bite? Login to <u>www.theEAP.com</u> for financial resources, including "Tools for Tough Times."

Here are a few useful links for saving money at the gas pump!

- 38 Gas Saving Tips AAA Here!
- 10 Tips to Get the Most out of a Tank of Gas – Consumer Reports – <u>Here!</u>
- Gas Buddy Find the cheapest gas near you – <u>Here!</u>



MassTech has jobs posted and you can be rewarded for your referral!

If you have someone in mind that you think would be well-suited for any of our open positions, urge them to apply and earn \$500 while doing so with our Employee Referral Program!

Contact HR for any questions.

Click here to view postings.

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MassTech Joins MassRobotics For 5th Anniversary Celebration

Our team was honored to join MassRobotics on Friday for their 5th anniversary celebration.

The event featured remarks from <u>U.S. Department of Labor</u> Secretary and former Boston Mayor Marty Walsh and a panel focused on "The Future of Work: Jobs in an Age of Robotics." The panel was moderated by tech columnist <u>Scott Kirsner</u> and featured MassRobotics' founder <u>Tom Ryden</u>; Secretary Walsh; our friend <u>Elisabeth Reynolds</u> (who joined virtually), formerly of the MIT IPC and now the <u>The White House</u>'s Special Assistant for Manufacturing and Economic Development; <u>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</u>'s Associate Professor Julie Shah; and our former MassTech colleague <u>Ira Moskowitz</u>, now the head of the <u>ARM Robotics</u> <u>Institute</u>.

We've been proud to support infrastructure, workforce programs, and events at MassRobotics to help their <u>#robotics</u> startups grow and to boost the talented workers in the sector. MassRobotics' new 5-year Impact Report and the esteemed panelists highlight the strength of the <u>#Massachusetts</u> robotics sector and its bright future.

Congrats to Tom, <u>Joyce Sidopoulos</u>, and the entire team at MassRobotics on their outstanding success and cheers to the next 5 years and beyond!

Download MassRobotics' impact report and watch the celebration event on their website: https://lnkd.in/gdWMG9Sf.

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THE INNOVATION INSTITUTE at the MassTech Collaborative

"Baker-Polito Administration Awards Harvard and Boston University \$3 Million for Assistive Robotics and Wearable Technology Research"

Project Aims to Boost Commercialization of Innovative Wearable and Med Tech Devices. The project involves a collaboration with Boston University College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College, as well as with industry partners that are poised to bring innovations to market.







Read Press Release Here

Additional Coverage: Harvard Crimson, The O&P Edge, Robotics 24.7, Medical Device Network, The Robot Report, AI Express, Robotics & Automation (release repost), Medical Design Briefs.

LinkedIn Post: Here

THE INNOVATION INSTITUTE at the MassTech Collaborative

"Mass Fintech Hub Announces New Advisory Board and Unveils Early Programming Schedule for 2022"

Includes a quote from Secretary Kennealy and highlights Carolyn Kirk's addition to the

group's advisory board.

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Other Coverage: BBJ, Crowdfund Insider, Finextra Research, and Agency Checklists.

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"Baker-Polito Administration Awards \$2.8 Million from Mass. Manufacturing Innovation Initiative"

Supports Infrastructure Investments at Three Homegrown Manufacturers – Lawrence's 99Degrees Custom, Belmont's Soliyarn, and Walpole's Human Systems Integration (H.S.I.) Over \$80 Million Invested in Manufacturers Statewide through M2I2





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Christine Nolan Interviewed by "The Reminder" in Chicopee Regarding MMAP Grantees in Western Mass

As a part of a \$2.1 million grant program, four Western Massachusetts business are set to receive Mass. Manufacturing Accelerate Program grant funds to benefit technological innovations.







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MassCyberCenter at MassTech

Stephanie Helm Interviewed by WBZ Radio on How to **Avoid Cyber Attacks**

Stephanie Helm, the Director of the Mass Cyber Center, returns to the show to talk with Nichole about how plausible a Russian-backed cyberattack on the US could be as part of this conflict. She also reviews tips to help you make sure your digital presence is secure from any cyber criminal.

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MassCyberCenter

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"Cybersecurity Mentorship Program Hits New Milestones"

> 41 new Mass. students supported in spring 2022, bringing program total to 101. 18 new mentors and 10 new companies in current session. Six new schools participating; 28 total from across the state.

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"The Cybersecurity Mentorship Program has made me feel comfortable about having cybersecurity as a field that I want to work on after I graduate."

- Omar Osman, Bridgewater State University

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"This is an outstanding and critically important program for helping to build a diverse cybersecurity workforce and motivating tomorrow's professionals." - John McKenna, Advanced Cybersecurity Center



"My mentor helped me implement new cybersecurity projects with Raspberry Pi, which helped me acquire my first internship in a global IT company as a security engineer intern." - Angelina Zhukova, MassBay Community College

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BusinessWest covered the launch of the program.

Northern Bank also sent their own release about their participation: Click Here



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"Baker-Polito Administration Announces 2022 Municipal Cybersecurity Awareness Grant Program Awards"

Stephanie Helm spoke at the announcement of the Mass. Municipal Cybersecurity Grants in Haverhill.





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March was Women's History Month and the #MakingSpace initiative is spotlighting 21 amazing women who have made major contributions within their organizations or on a local, national or global level.

Our very own #MassCyberCenter Director, Stephanie Helm is one of the #womenincyber nominees!

A special congratulations to Stephanie and all who were nominated and recognized for their impact in the

#cybersecurity workforce.



Learn More About the Series

& Nominees Here!

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"Our #Massachusetts eHealth Institute (MeHI), and Lever announce the eight finalists for the #COVID-19 Innovations to support for Healthcare Providers Challenge."

This is the second of two challenges in the program and is designed to find innovative digital health solutions that can help providers treat and monitor their patients remotely, address racial and economic health inequities, and support healthcare workers.

Finalists will pitch their product and Sandbox project at a final event in June 2022 for the chance to win prizes worth up to \$250,000.

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"Baker-Polito Administration Announces Completion of Make Ready Work"

<u>Michael Baldino</u>, <u>Peter Larkin</u> and MBI board member Commissioner <u>Karen Charles Peterson</u> joined <u>Commonwealth of Massachusetts</u> Governor Charlie Baker and Lt. Governor Karyn Polito for a celebration of the completion of Make Ready work, a critical construction process that underpins the Commonwealth's Last Mile program to bring high-speed internet to 53 unserved and underserved towns in western and central MA.

The Make Ready Working Group was a 4-year coordinated effort led by the Lt. Governor that addressed the largest obstacle to extending broadband to these communities. The Group's coordinated effort impacted approximately 40,000 utility poles across the region, speeding the delivery of over 2,000 miles of fiber-optic cable, networks which brought high-speed internet access to 28,000 previously unserved households.

In addition to the MBI, the members of the Working Group included: <u>Eversource Energy</u>, <u>National Grid</u>, <u>Verizon</u>, <u>Westfield Gas & Electric</u>, <u>Comcast</u>, <u>Charter Communications</u>, <u>Sertex</u>, <u>ITG Communication,LLC</u>, MassDOT, the Mass. Department of Telecommunications and Cable, and the <u>Executive Office of Housing and</u> <u>Economic Development (EOHED)</u>.

Our thanks to Undersecretary <u>Ashley Stolba</u> and Bill Ennen of EOHED for organizing the celebration and to the <u>MASSACHUSETTS GREEN HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING CENTER INC</u> in Holyoke for hosting.

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Press Release <u>Here</u>

You can watch an archived video of the event from <u>WWLP Media</u> on YouTube: <u>https://lnkd.in/gr5XiDff</u> Read the press release following the event: <u>https://lnkd.in/gN7DePRx</u> Learn more about the Last Mile program: <u>https://lnkd.in/gYjvhCjv</u>

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