



# NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT New Member Briefing Report Congressman Conor Lamb

**PA-17**

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A report on the loans and investments in Pennsylvania's 17th CD and beyond  
Above: The Tech Forge in Lawrenceville, just across the river from the 17th CD.

# NMTC IMPACT IN PENNSYLVANIA

## JOBS AND INVESTMENT



**42K**

JOBS STATEWIDE

The NMTC created 41,596 Pennsylvania jobs, including:

- 19,526 construction jobs;
- 22,070 full-time-equivalent jobs.



**177**

PROJECTS FINANCED IN PENNSYLVANIA

The NMTC made 177 Pennsylvania projects possible, including manufacturing expansions, business incubators, hospitals, vocational training centers, and daycare centers.



**\$3.7B**

IN TOTAL CAPITAL TO PENNSYLVANIA

The NMTC delivered \$3.7 billion to Pennsylvania businesses and revitalization projects that would not have been possible but-for the NMTC.

# NMTC IMPACT IN PA-17

## PROJECT EXAMPLE



### Lawrenceville Technology Center

Lawrenceville neighborhood, PA (across the river from the 17th)

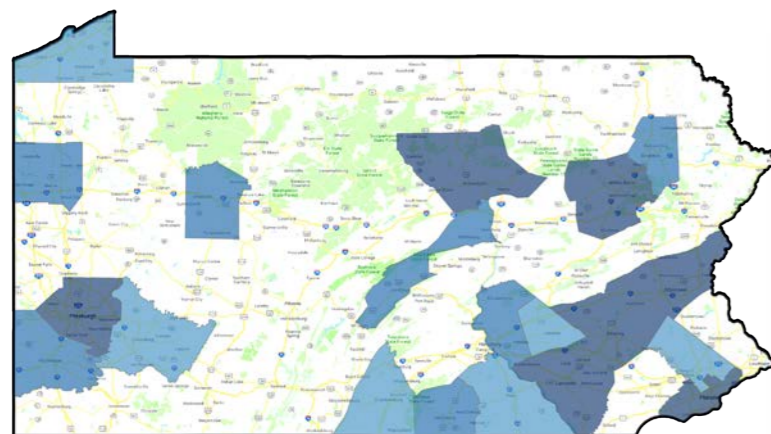
NMTC financing supported the construction of a new commercial facility on a vacant industrial site featuring both light industrial and flexible office space for tenants in the technology manufacturing and robotics industry sectors.

Today there are over 230 jobs in the Lawrenceville Tech Center. The project is part of the larger effort by the Regional Industrial Development Corporation (RIDC) to redevelop the long-vacant Lawrenceville industrial park (see below).



Lawrenceville, 2003 before RIDC acquisition

Lawrenceville, 2014



### NMTC Investment by County 2003-2018

- \$0 - \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$250,000
- \$250,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,000 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,000 - \$10,000,000
- \$10,000,000 - \$50,000,000
- \$50,000,000+

Through September 30, 2018

# ABOUT THE NMTC

AFTER DECADES OF CUTS TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAMS, COMMUNITIES INCREASINGLY COUNT ON THE NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT TO MAKE IMPORTANT INVESTMENTS POSSIBLE

The New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) is an important source of financing for businesses and community facilities in America's most distressed rural and urban communities. Congress authorized the NMTC in 2000 to bring down the cost of capital in communities outside of the economic mainstream. Taxpayers receive a 39 percent tax credit (taken over seven years) for qualified investments into Community Development Entities (CDEs), organizations with a track record of loans and investments in underserved areas. CDEs use the proceeds of those investments to finance business expansions, community facilities, and other projects prioritized by communities.

## ECONOMIC IMPACT

### CREATING JOBS

The NMTC has delivered \$80 billion total project financing to over 5,000 projects, creating 1,000,000 jobs at a cost to the federal government of less than \$20,000 per job.

### JUMP-STARTING MANUFACTURING

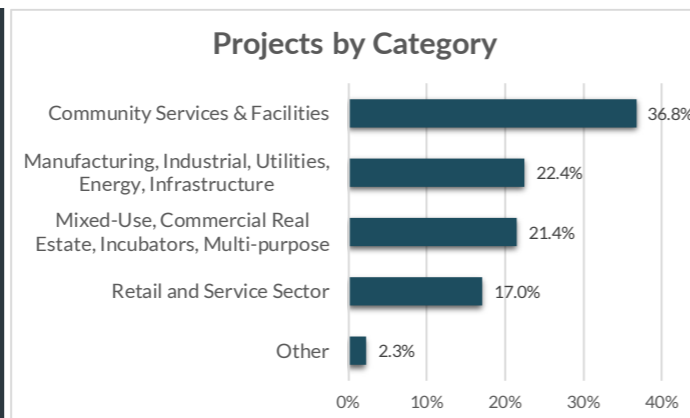
From the outfitting of maker-spaces to the construction of large plants, the NMTC provides nearly \$1 billion annually to manufacturing & industrial facilities.

### ENHANCING SERVICES

Over one-third of NMTC financing goes to YMCAs, hospitals, childcare centers, nonprofits, arts & cultural amenities, & other facilities vital to healthy communities.

## INDEPENDENT EVALUATION

An independent compliance review by Summit Consulting found that program participants are significantly lowering the cost of capital for borrowers in low-income communities and exceeding statutory and regulatory requirements for the targeting of economic distress.



## EXTENSION LEGISLATION

The NMTC expires December 31, 2019. Without the NMTC, hard-hit communities will lose access to billions of dollars for high-impact projects.

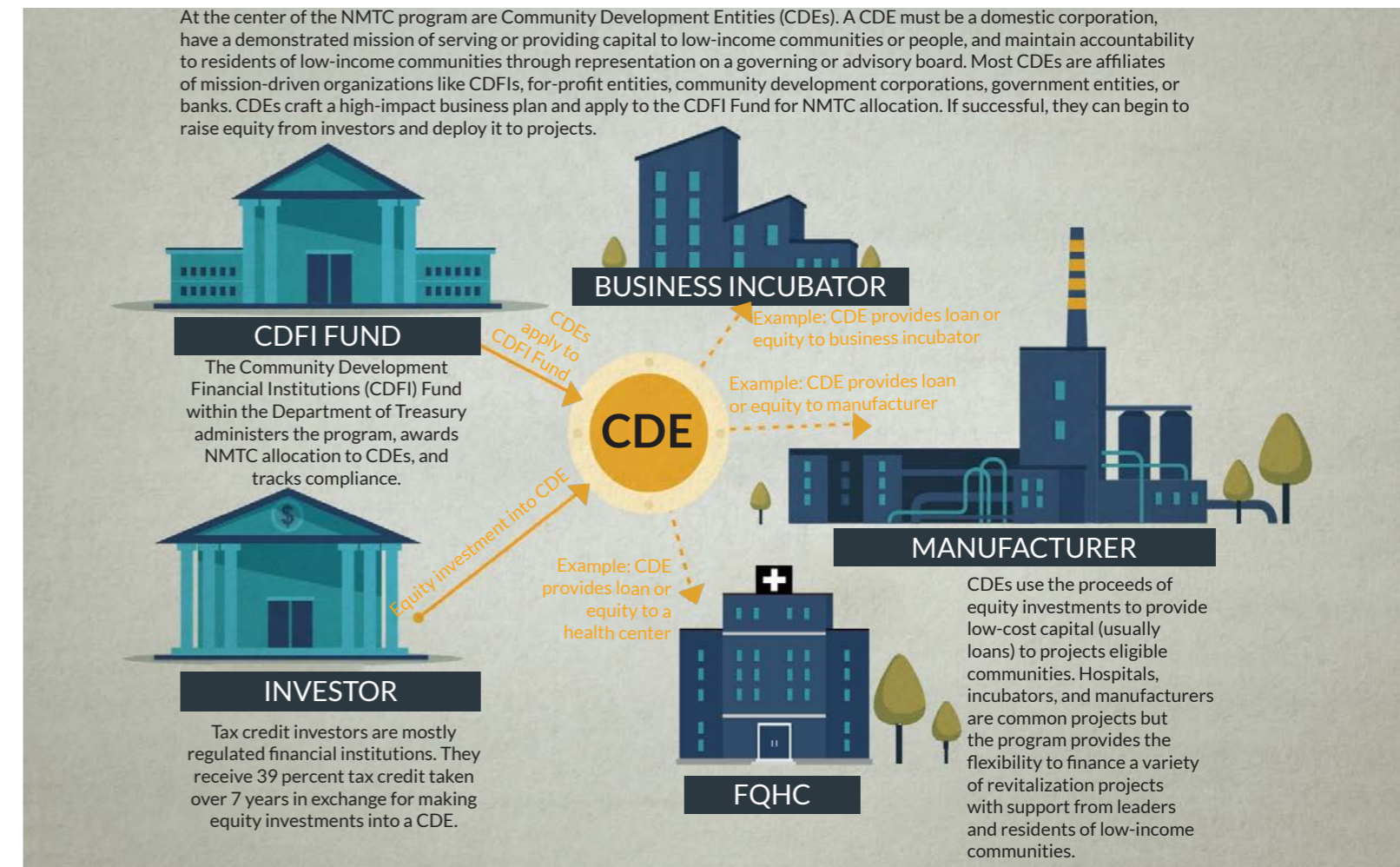
Extension legislation has been introduced by Sens. Roy Blunt (R-MO) and Ben Cardin (D-MD) in the Senate and Reps. Terri Sewell (D-AL) and Tom Reed (R-NY) in the House. **The New Markets Tax Credit Extension Act of 2019 (H.R. 1680/S. 750).**

The legislation would: provide an indefinite extension to the NMTC; increase allocation authority, adjusted for inflation; improve tax credit pricing and expand the investor-base by providing AMT relief to NMTC investors

In the 115th Congress, 123 members of the House and Senate from both parties cosponsored the NMTC Extension Act of 2017 (S. 384 and H.R. 1098).

# HOW IT WORKS

MOBILIZING CAPITAL FOR HIGH-IMPACT PROJECTS



## ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES

NMTC projects must be located in census tracts with poverty rates of at least 20 percent or median incomes at or below 20 percent of the area median. However...

**75%** of NMTC projects are located in **severely distressed communities** that far exceed the statutory requirements for distress.

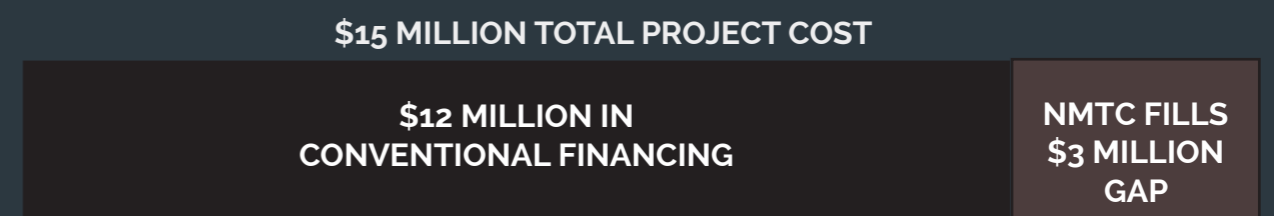
## WHAT ABOUT RURAL?

The NMTC statute directs the CDFI Fund to ensure NMTC allocation reaches a proportional share of non-metropolitan counties.

**23%** of NMTC projects were located in non-metropolitan counties in 2017.

## GAP FINANCING

Example: Imagine a business needs \$15 million to expand a production facility and purchase new equipment to meet growing demand. The business can only come up with \$12 million from a conventional lender. The NMTC fills the gap and makes the expansion possible.



# ONLINE RESOURCES

<b>NMTC Coalition:</b>	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org">nmtccoalition.org</a>
State Fact Sheets:	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/state-fact-sheets">nmtccoalition.org/state-fact-sheets</a>
Project Maps	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/map">nmtccoalition.org/map</a>
Project Profiles:	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/stories">nmtccoalition.org/stories</a>
How It Works Video:	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/how-it-works">nmtccoalition.org/how-it-works</a>
Research:	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/research">nmtccoalition.org/research</a>
Statute:	<a href="http://nmtccoalition.org/statute">nmtccoalition.org/statute</a>
 <b>CDFI Fund:</b>	 <a href="http://cdfifund.gov">cdfifund.gov</a>



Above: Interior of the Lawrenceville Technology Center, just across the river from the 17th District.

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