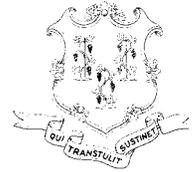




**Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development
U.S. Department of Commerce
Middletown Export Assistance Center**



The Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development and the U.S. Department of Commerce, Middletown Export Assistance Center have entered into a special partnership agreement to assist qualified small and medium-sized Connecticut firms utilize certain Commerce Department export promotion programs and services.

UNDER THIS SPECIAL PARTNERSHIP, THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WILL:

- Assist qualified Connecticut firms with up to 50% of the participation fee for certain Commerce Department export programs and services.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

- Must be a Connecticut firm with 500 employees or less;
- Must be in business for two years or longer;
- Must have a business plan;
- Must have sufficient financial and human resources;
- Must be approved by the CT Department of Economic & Community Development;
- Must meet all U.S. Department of Commerce participation requirements.

HOW TO APPLY:

- The application forms are short and simple but vary for each of the different programs - so please call to discuss the details.

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