

PENNSYLVANIA DEFENSE INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE PARTNERSHIP

OPTIMIZING PENNSYLVANIA'S DEFENSE SUPPLY CHAIN AND WORKFORCE ASSETS



PA DEFENSE INDUSTRY

- Defense spending accounts for 115,000+ jobs and generates \$24 billion in annual economic impact
- Top critical defense sectors are aerospace, military vehicles, and research, development, testing & evaluation (RDTE)
- 4th in the U.S. in delivery of supplies and equipment to the military
- 6th in the U.S. in total defense spending
- **7th** in the U.S.in receipt of defense contract dollars

HELPING PA'S CRITICAL DEFENSE SUPPLY CHAIN TO THRIVE

Historically, defense contract awards have provided Pennsylvania companies with stable business and solid prospects for future growth. However, federal budget cutbacks have resulted in severe cuts across the defense industry. During FY2008-2015, defense contract losses in Pennsylvania totaled \$2.4 billion. On a local level, these cuts prompted business closures and workforce layoffs, threatening communities across the state. Between 2011 and 2015, 94 percent of the 65 Pennsylvania counties with prime defense contract activity experienced losses. In order to combat this downward trend, the Pennsylvania Defense Industry Assistance Partnership (PDIAP) was formed.

WHO WE ARE

The PA Department of Community and Economic Development first launched the Pennsylvania Defense Industry Assistance Partnership (PDIAP) in 2014 with financial support from the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)'s Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA). The Partnership's goal was to counter defense contract losses by helping suppliers to diversify and expand their markets. Its mission is twofold:

- To strengthen and diversify regional industrial sectors and increase the global competitiveness of defense impacted businesses in Pennsylvania by educating and assisting defense suppliers and workers.
- To reinforce DoD's core mission of bolstering national security and supporting the warfighter by building intellectual capacity within the defense supply chain, maximizing competitive strengths, maintaining capabilities, spurring innovation, and promoting resiliency of the defense supply chain.

The program now delivers assistance to defense suppliers statewide through a robust network of state, regional, and local partners.

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