# **NJ Accelerate Program**

## **Collaborative Workspaces** & Incubators



### **Program Goals**

- To encourage innovative startups to lease office space at New Jersey collaborative workspaces and incubators
- To partner with New Jersey collaborative workspaces and incubators and promote the development of an innovation ecosystem

### **Benefits for Approved Collaborative Workspaces** & Incubators

- Approved collaborative workspaces and incubators will have a new tool to attract innovative startups to their space
- NJEDA showcases information about the approved collaborative workspaces and incubators, and facilitates introductions to New Jersey startups

### **Program Participation**

- NJ Accelerate provides financial support to tenant/member companies that:
  - Graduate from Approved Accelerator programs
  - Rent office space at New Jersey approved collaborative workspaces or incubators
- Collaborative workspaces and incubators interested in partnering with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) under NJ Accelerate need to be prequalified as approved business facilities.

### **Rent Support for Tenants**



- 1:1 matching grant for rent or membership fees at an approved collaborative workspace or incubator
- Up to six months and \$25,000 in grant funding to cover rent or membership fees
- Bonus month for certified W/MBE



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### **Eligibility Requirements**



Located in New Jersey



Minimum of five unique paying tenants over the last two years OR, for new facilities, at least three prospective tenants



Has a cost of operating the facility (e.g. rent or mortgage or internal corporate charge-back)



Offers at least one variety of work space: private office space, hot-desks or dedicated desks



Hosts minimum of eight events per year (e.g. meet ups, office hours, etc.)



Charges market rate rent

#### **Document Checklist**

- New Jersey Tax Clearance Certificate
- Tenant lists (five at least) OR three letters of intent from prospective tenants
- Certificate of Insurance naming the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) as additional insured under general liability policy
- Community events form
- Proof of operating costs
- Additional due diligence documentation may be requested

#### **Fees**

No fees



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