

Metroplex Manufacturing Resource Expo Guide

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The Arlington Economic Development Corporation (EDC) facilitates and supports local job development and capital investment by helping both existing and future companies within Arlington. From business-friendly tax rates and incentives to infrastructure built for rapid development, Arlington is committed to bringing business ideas to life through its “We Can. We Do” approach. Through community partners and funding tools, we have access to resources and incentives to expand or improve your business and workforce. This includes our Strategic Solutions Fund with TMAC that deploys grants to Arlington-based manufacturers to accelerate their growth and productivity.



The University of Texas at Arlington Research Institute (UTARI) is a specialized research and development unit at UTA that bridges the gap between academic discovery and real-world applications. UTARI’s staff of interdisciplinary research scientists and faculty partner with industry to focus on their technical challenges and work together to develop novel solutions. Areas of expertise span the development and manufacturing of composite materials, robotics and automation, and biomedical devices.



Our mission is to increase the number of contracts awarded to companies in our county service area, resulting in increased revenue and jobs in those areas. Based at the University of Texas at Arlington, we provide one-on-one counseling, events, and up-to-date research in everything that has to do with selling to government agencies.

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The Core Research Facilities at UT Arlington support manufacturing innovation by providing access to state-of-the-art research capabilities, instrumentation, and expertise. This includes the Shimadzu Institute for Research Technologies, the Nanofabrication Facility, the North Texas Genome Center, and other advanced research facilities.



Created in 1953, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) continues to help small business owners and entrepreneurs pursue the American dream. SBA is the only cabinet-level federal agency fully dedicated to small business and provides counseling, capital, and contracting expertise as the nation's only go-to resource and voice for small businesses. SBA works to ignite change and spark action so small businesses can confidently start, grow, expand, or recover.



Ranked the 11th largest and one of the fastest-growing cities in the U.S., the City of Fort Worth, Texas, is home to more than 1 million residents.

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Texas A&M Engineering
Experiment Station



The Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station's Texas Defense Aerospace Manufacturing Community (TDAMC) initiative helps manufacturers innovate and grow by offering direct technical assistance, workforce development, and access to cutting-edge resources. TDAMC connects Texas manufacturers to a statewide network of university experts, state-of-the-art facilities, and funding opportunities to solve production challenges and boost competitiveness. Through collaborative projects and hands-on support, we empower manufacturers to adopt advanced technologies, improve processes, and expand their market potential.



A proud partner of the American Job Center network



Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County (WSTC) under the direction of the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is one of 28 local workforce development boards located throughout the state. The primary goal of WSTC and the 28 local workforce development boards is to respond to the needs of Texas employers and workers through locally designed market-driven workforce development initiatives. In short, our job is to help Tarrant County residents get the assistance and training they need to obtain employment in a career pathway of their choice. Our services are FREE and are available to all eligible Tarrant County residents. We also provide services to employers to help them find well trained and qualified individuals for their organization.

Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County partners with manufacturing employers to build and sustain a skilled, reliable workforce. We connect companies to local talent through customized recruiting, hiring events, training and upskilling programs, and work-based learning opportunities.



Next Op is a 501c(3) nonprofit that helps post 9/11 enlisted veterans find & secure employment. Since 2015 we've placed over 5,700+ veterans into meaningful employment through strategic partnerships, helping companies replace guesswork with veteran hiring to build sustainable, high performance teams.

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The North Texas ASCM Chapter serves the Dallas and surrounding communities by sponsoring monthly professional development meetings featuring guest speakers and providing an excellent opportunity for members and professionals to meet, exchange ideas, and network with industry experts. Additionally, the Chapter provides training for internationally recognized certifications (CPIM - Certified in Planning and Inventory Management, CSCP – Certified Supply Chain Professional, CLTD - Certified in Logistics, Transportation and Distribution) via the APICS body of knowledge. Through our dedication, we are recognized as a platinum award winning chapter. This award is given for continued excellence in maintaining high chapter standards and running an effective governing body that serves our membership.



The Precision Metalforming Association (PMA) is the full-service trade association representing the \$137-billion metalforming industry of North America—the industry that creates precision metal products using stamping, fabricating, spinning, slide forming and roll forming technologies, and other value-added processes. Its more than 900 member companies also include suppliers of equipment, materials and services to the industry.

Our mission is to shape the environment of the metalforming industry, leading innovative member companies toward superior competitiveness and profitability.



At the North Texas Chapter of the National Tooling & Machining Association (NTMA), our commitment is to fortify and advance the precision manufacturing and CNC machining community in the DFW region. We understand the unique challenges you face, and we're here to provide valuable resources, networking opportunities, and workforce development that can help your business thrive.

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Texas Capital is the premier full-service financial services firm headquartered in Texas, serving businesses, entrepreneurs, and individuals nationwide. Representing Texas Capital Bank and its subsidiaries and affiliates, Texas Capital delivers customized solutions with industry-leading expertise and a uniquely Texan approach. With offices in Dallas, Austin, Houston, San Antonio, and Fort Worth, Texas Capital offers a broad range of products and services rivaling Wall Street's largest institutions. For over 25 years, it has also remained committed to community investment, supporting local charities across the state, including launching the Texas Capital Foundation.



The National Center for Therapeutics Manufacturing (NCTM), part of the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station, is an interdisciplinary workforce education and contract research center. Its unique facility enables hands-on training in cell culture, downstream processing, and quality control, while also providing startups and researchers with access to industrially relevant bioprocess equipment.



The Uniquely Abled Academy is a 15-week program for high functioning individuals on the Autistic Spectrum to learn CNC machining skills. Our program trains entry-level CNC operators which helps satisfy the constant need employers have for qualified employees.

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Since 2007, RobotLAB has been dedicated to revolutionizing the integration of robotics in education and business. With over 17 years of expertise, we are committed to making robots smarter and more useful, transforming the way educational and commercial sectors operate.

As the leading provider of educational robotics, we equip schools and universities with AI-Labs that inspire and prepare students for the future. Our innovative technologies in robotics, coding, and programming empower educators and engage learners, ensuring they acquire the most vital skills for the 21st century.

Beyond education, RobotLAB offers comprehensive robotics solutions for various industries, including banking, hospitality, healthcare, and retail. We guide businesses of all sizes in seamlessly integrating robotics into their operations, enhancing efficiency, lowering costs, and elevating customer experiences.



The requirements within the ever-changing world of export and import compliance can be daunting to say the least and the penalties for non-compliance are often severe. As a seasoned professional with many years of experience in the import/export industry, I know how difficult it can be to meet the stringent criterion and I can help you by offering compliance guidance and direction that meets all your needs. I can also provide a broad spectrum of expertise including experience with the ITAR and EAR, in addition to expertise in Custom's Regulations.

Whether you are a small company that is just beginning or one with established and larger interests, if you have compliance needs, I can provide the solutions that will help maximize and improve on your compliance infrastructure. I am available to support you in the development or improvement of your import/export compliance, so if you have any questions or require my services, please feel free to contact me so that I can help you with any of your compliance needs. Give me one moment of your time and I'll give you years of efficiency, know-how and expertise.

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INTERNATIONAL
TRADE
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Create prosperity by strengthening the international competitiveness of U.S. industry, promoting trade and investment, and ensuring fair trade and compliance with trade laws and agreements.



The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas is part of the Federal Reserve System, the central bank of the United States. The Fed has a public mission: We serve the American people by promoting a strong financial system and a healthy economy for all.

The Dallas Fed works with other regional Federal Reserve Banks and the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, D.C. We drive monetary policy that is attentive to the needs of communities all across the nation. And we help make sure that, wherever you live, you can rely on money, banks and payments when you use them.



SPACE ALLIANCE TECHNOLOGY OUTREACH PROGRAM



The Space Alliance Technology Outreach Program (SATOP) is a FREE, state-funded service designed to provide technical assistance and speed the transfer of space technology to the private sector. By giving engineering technology assistance to Texas small businesses and entrepreneurs, SATOP helps them solve their challenges and increase their chances of succeeding. The program provides small businesses, start-ups, and entrepreneurs access to knowledge, skills, and materials that were previously unknown or unavailable to the private sector.

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At BNC, we specialize in providing reliable IT support in Dallas, helping businesses stay secure, efficient, and ahead of the curve. Our dedicated BNC team combines technical expertise with a customer-first approach, ensuring every solution is tailored to your unique needs. From proactive maintenance to advanced cybersecurity, we're committed to being the trusted IT partner your business deserves. By leveraging our values and world-class talent, we deliver technology and IT consulting services that make a measurable impact every day.



The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is made up of 29 agencies and offices with nearly 100,000 employees who serve the American people at more than 4,500 locations across the country and abroad.

We have a vision to provide economic opportunity through innovation, helping rural America to thrive; to promote agriculture production that better nourishes Americans while also helping feed others throughout the world; and to preserve our Nation's natural resources through conservation, restored forests, improved watersheds, and healthy private working lands.



GO TEXAN.[®]



For over twenty years, the Texas Department of Agriculture's GO TEXAN program has been dedicated to showcasing products and businesses made right here in the Lone Star State. Whether we are developing new sales and business opportunities for GO TEXAN Partners or encouraging consumers to look for the iconic GO TEXAN mark when making buying decisions, we will always strive to find new and meaningful ways to promote products and services that are Texas made and Texas proud.

From boots to salsa, GO TEXAN partners make the best stuff on Earth!

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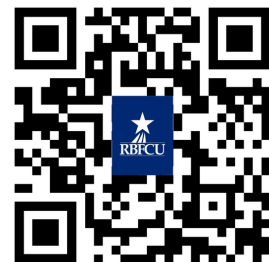


The Tarrant To & Through (T3) Partnership aims to ensure more Tarrant County students obtain a postsecondary credential and that each student has the training and skills they need to thrive in today's workforce.

We believe that each and every student should be given the resources and opportunities to achieve lifelong success.



At TCC's Office of Corporate Solutions, we like to consider ourselves instruments of the workforce. Regardless of the industry you work in, TCC Corporate Solutions can help improve your business's bottom line. Our learning and development programs can take your company to the next level. Leadership development, process improvement, retraining your workforce, we have the capability to do it all. Our expertise extends far beyond the classroom, come find out why TCC Means Business.



Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union is more than just a bank. We are a financial cooperative intent on helping members save time, save money and earn money. Whether it's opening a first account, buying a car, building a dream home or planning for retirement, our team of dedicated professionals are here to help you achieve your goals and build a strong financial future.

The credit union has grown from providing financial resources to military service members and their families to serving more than 1.1 million members across Texas and around the world. RBFCU has a presence in four major market areas — Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas-Fort Worth and San Antonio — and has more than 60 branches dedicated to serving members and the community.

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WOMEN'S
BUSINESS
COUNCIL
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The Women's Business Council - Southwest (WBCS) is one of 14 regional partners of the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC), the largest certifier of women-owned businesses (WBEs) in the U. S.

Our mission is to increase the value of women-owned businesses by providing certification, education, advocacy, and mutually beneficial business opportunities for our members and affiliates.



The SBDC is a business consulting and training center of the North Texas SBDC. The North Texas SBDC Network serves 49 counties in North Texas.

Beginning in 1987, the staff incorporated more than 200 years in entrepreneurship and small business management into the center. The SBDC has provided sound advice while supporting and training thousands of entrepreneurs and businesses throughout the county. This assistance, whether business or technical, is available at little or no cost.

No matter the need the SBDC has the expertise, tools, resources, and connectivity to help your businesses succeed. Whether you're just starting out, purchasing an existing business, growing or selling your business the SBDC is here to help.



TechFW is a nonprofit startup incubator and accelerator based in Fort Worth, Texas, helping entrepreneurs turn innovation into reality since 1998. We support founders at every stage through expert-led programs, strategic mentorship, and access to a powerful community. We work with scalable startups in biotech, hardware, AI, clean energy, software, and emerging technologies without taking equity.

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We are a global AI consulting firm dedicated to empowering businesses with innovative AI solutions. Our mission is to help organizations harness the power of AI to drive efficiency, solve complex challenges, and achieve sustainable growth across industries.



DesignPlex Biomedical was formed in 2015 to fill a gap in Medical Device Development for early stage implanted blood pumps, artificial hearts and peripheral equipment. Since that time, DesignPlex has expanded its scope to include optogenetics for neuromodulation, medication dosing, reliability test fixtures, wound care, pacemaker management, heart simulators, fat grafting, face shields, face masks, ventilators, and unique anti-microbial coatings to combat COVID-19. DesignPlex is now ISO 13485:2016 certified for design and manufacturing for AIMDs.

At DesignPlex Biomedical, we don't just support your medical device journey- we supercharge it.



Banking built for every goal. No matter what you're building, professional-grade banking can help you get there.

We are improving the lives of people in our community through financial empowerment. We live here, too. The quality of life in our community is important to us. We work, play and raise our families here. That's why we've committed ourselves to improving lives in all the markets we serve.



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