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Manufacturing Extension Partnership

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MEP Program Evolution

1988-1999
Build a System
Optimize Performance and Accountability

2000
Deliver Higher Value-Added Services
Deliver High Value

2006
Focus on Strategic Management
Developing Leaders

2008
Develop and Deploy Technology
Foster Innovation

2010
Increase Economic Impact
Technology Based Economic Development
MEP works with U.S. manufacturers to help them create and retain jobs, increase profits, and save time and money. The nationwide network provides a variety of services from innovation strategies to process improvements to green manufacturing. MEP also works with partners at the state and federal levels on programs that put manufacturers in position to develop new customers, expand into new markets and create new products.

- $3.5 billion in new sales
- $1.9 billion in new investments
- 72,075 jobs created or retained

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Meeting Manufacturers’ Needs through: Networking – Partnerships – Collaboration

• MEP is an integrated multi-level, multi-entity network of public-private partnerships – national, state and local

• NIST MEP role –
  – Integrate the network of centers
  – Link and share resources and solutions

• Center partnerships with state and local organizations for service delivery, resources and solutions

• National partnerships – federal agencies & trade associations

• Tools to support the network, collaboration and service delivery
Partnering to Drive a National Program

- Customers
  - > 326,000 Small & Medium Sized Manufacturers
  - Over 2,300 Affiliated Services Providers
  - Over 1,400 Center Staff
  - 370 Service Locations
  - 60 MEP Centers
  - NIST

- Integration, Knowledge Sharing, & Evaluation