

THE CENTER FOR BUSINESS  
AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT



HOWARD COUNTY'S HOME  
FOR ENTREPRENEURS

## HOWARD COUNTY'S CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT (THE CENTER)

has a dynamic history of supporting startup and entrepreneurial growth. Assisted by a strong and experienced advisory board, The Center's award winning programs have helped numerous emerging companies accelerate their growth and develop into profitable businesses.



Strategically located at the heart of the Washington-Baltimore corridor, The Center offers an array of practical services and support, and functions as a one-stop resource for Howard County's small business owners and entrepreneurs. Whether you are a startup or an established company, The Center is the resource for taking your company to the next level of profitable growth.

Committed to the success of emerging and growth-oriented companies, The Center offers much more than fundamental support. The Center's network of corporate and government affiliations allows access to distinguished area technology leaders and there are opportunities to network and to share ideas and resources with other innovators within The Center's creative environment. The Center also provides local entrepreneurial programs and education, connections with angel investors and is the hub of the regional, unified effort to acknowledge and support the science of Informatics.

## FIRST-TIME ENTREPRENEURS

Developing your ideas into a viable business can be a challenging task. The Center has specialized programs designed for specific needs. These include:

- Seminars & training programs
- One-on-one counseling from the Small Business Development Center, SCORE, and independent consultants
- Resource library with computers and Internet access
- Meeting/conference facilities
- Access to funding sources
- International trade assistance
- Networking opportunities
- Support services for minority-owned businesses



## EMERGING COMPANIES

Once you have put your business idea into action, The Center can support your growth and development. Since its inception in 2000, companies have flourished as residents at The Center, and have since moved to larger facilities. The following resources are available:

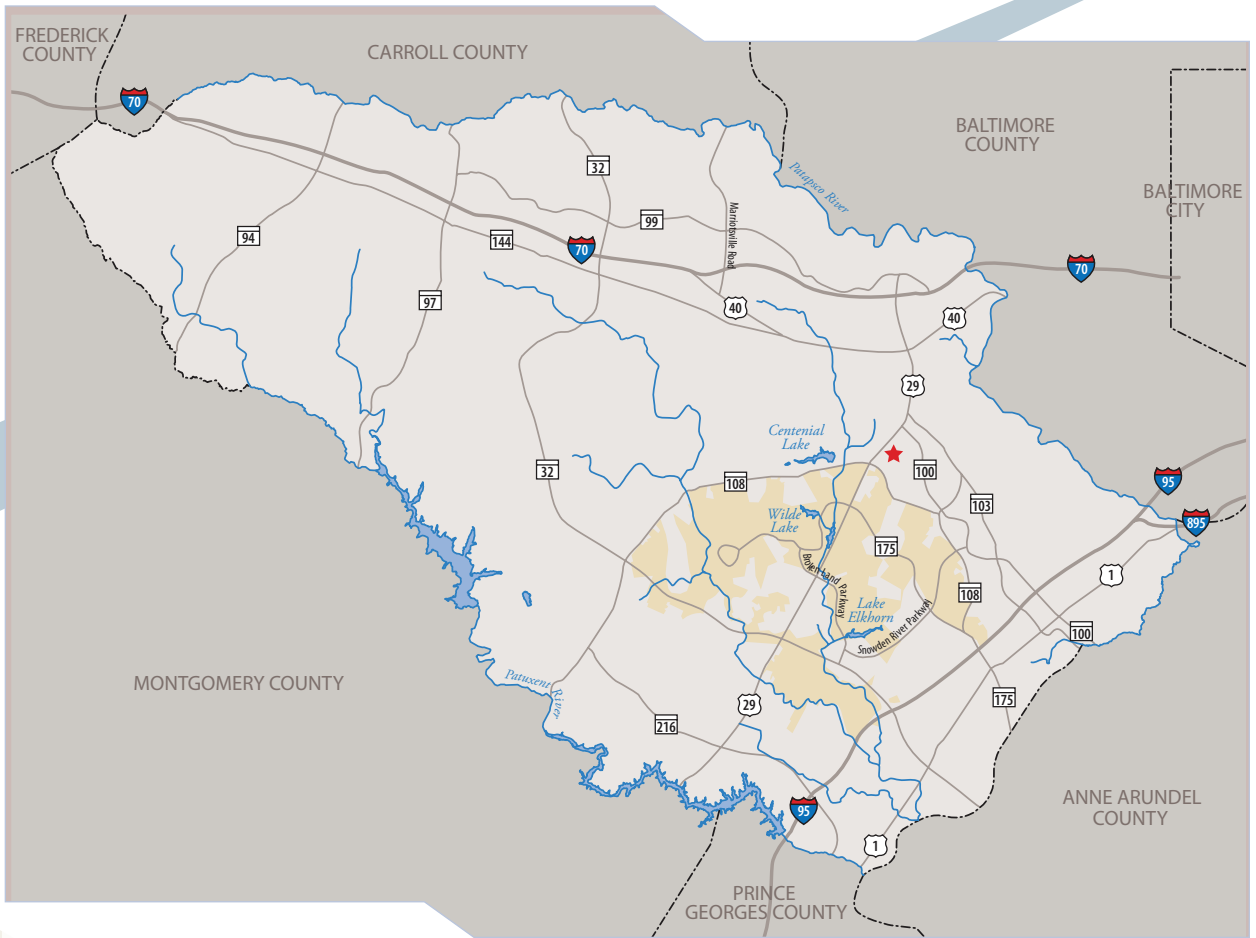
- Connection to federal contract opportunities and a registry of self-employed knowledge workers
- Leasable, secured office space featuring 24-hour access, kitchen facilities, copy center, receptionists, utilities and janitorial services
- Access to financial lending resources
- Business development services and coaching



## ESTABLISHED COMPANIES

Businesses that desire effective assistance in developing an aggressive strategy to grow a dominant market position use The Center to:

- Access federal procurement opportunities
- Connect with teaming partners and professional service providers including attorneys, accountants, business development specialists, marketing, etc.
- Meet, network, and exchange ideas with other high-tech decision-makers
- Obtain capital
- Participate in a proven business management program that can take a company to the next level



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