Chelmsford is BioReady®

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Chelmsford is now a Platinum-rated community for biotech

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The Town of Chelmsford has achieved the highest rating possible of Platinum status to announce their support to hosting and expanding the bio-tech industries in the community. This was achieved by modernized zoning bylaws with overlay districts, expedited permitting process, public and accessible infrastructure to include currently established biotechnology businesses. We are welcoming biotechnology companies in the Chelmsford Cross Roads at Route 129 corridor that will also provide high salaried jobs and long-term sustainability to our business community.

"Chelmsford efforts to position themselves as a Platinum-rated BioReady community serves as a testament to the town's ability to support the life sciences industry and foster its continued growth," said Ben Bradford, Vice President of Economic Development and Membership, MassBio. "This area, located just 35 minutes from the state's biotechnology hubs, boasts incredible access to higher education, a skilled workforce, public transportation, and much more. We are excited to see the progress Chelmsford makes as the next biotech mini-cluster." ~ Ben Bradford, Vice President of Economic Development, MA Biotechnology Council

"The Town of Chelmsford is the base location to many advanced technologies and progressive scientific companies, such as; Zoll Medical, Brooks Automation, TeleFlex, 3M to name a few. Our partnerships with UMass Lowell, Middlesex Community College and the vocational schools provide an excellent system for skilled growth and collaboration. It's time that the Chelmsford Cross Roads at Route 129 be considered as the competitive advantage that it is with more affordable real estate options, network of modern businesses and a municipal team ready to assist." ~ Paul Cohen, Chelmsford Town Manager

The Town of Chelmsford will join the other Platinum communities in the Middlesex 3 region of Route 3 / Route 495 to include, Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Lowell, and the listing of all 32 municipalities in the Platinum category. Additionally, 22 Gold communities, 11 Silver and 22 Bronze all participate in the BioReady® program. Many other Further, the Middlesex 3 Coalition is a pivotal partner for the Town of Chelmsford

"The Chelmsford Business Development Office is striving to attract industry-leaders from the biotechnology world to our available spaces. Site tours, technical project reviews, Route 129 stakeholder group meetings; learn much more at <u>https://chelmsfordcrossroads129.com/</u>. The Route 3 / Route 495 region provides abundant resources from the Middlesex 3 Coalition, MassEcon, MA Office of Business Development, MA Biotechnology Council, Greater Lowell Chamber of Commerce and more." ~ Lisa Marrone, Director of Business Development <u>Imarrone@chelmsfordma.gov</u>

Communities are ranked on a scale of Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum, and the system helps Massachusetts cities and towns market themselves to biotechnology companies looking to expand or relocate. As part of the campaign, the MassBio's Innovation Services (MBIS) enables deeper connections and pursuits. To learn more and view full ratings criteria, visit MassBio's BioReady® Communities web page at https://www.massbio.org/initiatives/bioready-communities/





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