

## All About DEED

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) is the state's principal economic development agency. The unique role of DEED is to empower businesses and workers to grow our economy by building partnerships, planning for long term growth, and creating opportunity for workers from all backgrounds and experiences.

**MISSION:**  
To empower  
the growth of  
the Minnesota  
economy, for  
everyone.



### DEED's work is accomplished through its four divisions:

- **Economic Development** supports the growth of businesses and communities through grants and loans, consultations, education sessions, employment and economic information, and other programs and services.
  - Broadband Development
  - Business Development and Finance
  - Minnesota Trade Office
  - Research
  - Small Business and Innovation
- **Workforce Development** strives to ensure that businesses have the talent they need to be competitive and that workers have the skills they need to compete.
  - CareerForce
  - Economic Opportunity
  - Employment and Training Programs
  - Governor's Workforce Development Board
- **Workforce Services and Transformation** encompasses a range of key programs that help people who have been laid off, are unable to work or face other challenges to employment.
  - Disability Determination Services
  - State Services for the Blind
  - Unemployment Insurance
  - Vocational Rehabilitation Services
  - Paid Family and Medical Leave
  - Performance and Technical Management
- **Operations** includes a range of internal and external services at DEED that help the agency run smoothly.
  - Administrative and Fiscal Functions
  - Communications and Marketing
  - Diversity and Equal Opportunity
  - Minnesota IT Services