COMMERCE BY THE NUMBERS OUR 2016 IMPACT



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THE COMMERCE MISSION



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To ensure that Philadelphia is a globallycompetitive city where employers hire, entrepreneurs thrive, and innovation abounds

To partner with workforce development programs + local businesses with the goal of ensuring that all Philadelphians can find + retain living-wage jobs



To foster economic opportunities for all Philadelphians in all neighborhoods



To recruit + retain a diverse set of businesses that contribute to the local economy + create jobs

2017 INITIATIVES + GOALS

• FAIR CHANCE HIRING PROGRAM

To provide 100 jobs for returning citizens, Commerce will pilot a one year \$500,000 grant initiative.

• GATEWAY PHILLY

A rental rebate will be offered to businesses opening a Philadelphia location with 20+ employees. The year-one goal is to bring 20 new companies and a total of 500 new jobs to the city.

○ MORE EQUITABLE UTILIZATION OF COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR PROGRAMS

Commerce will pilot one-on-one coaching to assist businesses that most need our programs through the Business Coaching Program and continue to expand the Capital Consortium program.

• IMMIGRANT BUSINESS STRATEGY

Commerce's strategy to better reach immigrant business owners will include bilingual Global Business Hours and several major events.

• INCREASE PHILADELPHIA'S PROMINENCE AS A HUB FOR STARTUPS AND TECH

StartupPHL will soon announce its 6th Call-For-Ideas to support the city's entrepreneurial ecosystem and will leverage other resources to highlight the existing tech community on the national stage.

○ CITY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REGULATORY REFORM

Commerce will prioritize its leadership role on this committee to help reduce bureaucracy and burdens for businesses in order to encourage economic growth and innovation.

• WORK TOWARDS THE CITY'S 35% PARTICIPATION GOAL

OEO will utilize a combination of increased capacity-building for minority and women-owned businesses, enhanced monitoring, and more coordination across certifying agencies to reach this goal.

PHILADELPHIA METRICS



