

AMCC Regional Visits Background:

Regional visits by AMCC (the <u>American Manufacturing Communities Collaborative</u>) are a part of its partnership with the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration. AMCC, as the nation's manufacturing <u>Community of Practice</u>, works toward a revitalized American manufacturing base by strengthening the regional manufacturing ecosystems of support that manufacturers need to thrive.

Here are reports (1 and 2) of some recent AMCC visits to other regions that can inform, but not in any way determine, the nature and stakeholders involved in any visit.

These AMCC visits are intended to be co-created meetings organized together with key regional manufacturing community stakeholders from what could be many types of organizations. AMCC will describe many emerging best practices and federal interventions available to regions and listen to stakeholders about regional successes and challenges that inform AMCC's future work. The ultimate set of visit activities depend on AMCC and the regional organizers' common priorities and capabilities and can include helping regional manufacturing meeting organizers bring together other key manufacturers stakeholders in their region to help them work better together.

AMCC's Three Lenses Guiding Our Work:

AMCC uses three narrowing perspectives to align its work. First, AMCC prioritizes manufacturing industries deemed essential to America's 21st century success, which includes defense, energy, transportation, agriculture, communications/IT, and health.

Within each industry, and across industries, AMCC engages key public and private stakeholders working to strengthen a region's manufacturing ecosystem in six key areas: workforce and training, supply chain support, infrastructure and site development, research and innovation, trade and foreign investment, operational improvement and capital access.

AMCC's third lens is its vision for American manufacturing to drive sustainable development in the 21st century; that is, integrated decision-making informed by economic competitiveness, diversity, equity and inclusivity, environmental sustainability, and security is needed if we are to maximize the benefits of our collective investment into the nation's manufacturing capabilities.

About AMCC:

AMCC is a non-profit organization assembled and led by a group of regional and national stakeholders dedicated to strengthening collaboration within and between regional manufacturing communities. AMCC works to achieve sustainable development in America through economic growth, improved environmental performance, and inclusive well-paid job creation to support the revitalization of American manufacturing.

Born out of an interagency program, the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP), AMCC was created as a national organization of regional stakeholders to continue the important work of deepening connections and sharing best practices within community ecosystems and between manufacturing regions. AMCC has championed the bottom-up, community-driven model of building ecosystems of support to help manufacturers thrive, and was recently designated by the U.S. EDA as the nation's manufacturing Community of Practice. AMCC supports regional consortia organized to strengthen manufacturing in any number of public/private initiatives to include federal agency community designation programs like IMCP, DOD's DMCSP, the EDA's BBBRC, and their emerging Tech Hub program.

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