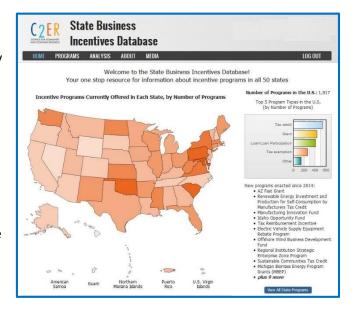
About the Database. The State Business Incentives Database (www.stateincentives.org) is a national database created in 1999 by the Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER). With almost 2,000 programs from all U.S. states and territories, the Database gives economic developers, business development finance professionals, and economic researchers a one-stop resource for searching and comparing state incentive programs.

Data Collection Process. The State Business Incentives Database represents a continuous effort by C2ER to track business incentive offerings in every state and territory. C2ER uses a broad range of sources for data collection, including state agency websites, statutes and codes, budget documents, and interviews

with state agency representatives.



The Database is updated on a biannual basis. During the update process, C2ER checks each program in the Database to ensure it is currently active and its information is accurate and complete. After reviewing currently included programs, C2ER performs research on every state to confirm all active state programs are incorporated in the Database.

Using the Database. The Database provides a wealth of detailed data on the incentive programs for every state and territory. For each incentive program, users have access to information on the administering agency, basic program description, and a link to the program website. Organizational and Premium Organizational users have access to the detailed program page, which contains data on the program's objective, specific benefits, eligibility criteria, and application procedures. Premium Organizational users can also view the statutory background and fiscal Information for every program.

The Database can be used to search state incentive programs based on a broad variety of search criteria, allowing for "apples-to-apples" comparisons. Categories include program type, category, targeted business need, qualifying industry sectors and geographic focus. Because all programs are categorized according to defined criteria, users can utilize the database for statistical analysis across all states and territories. The Database Glossary of Terms provides more information on the criteria for inclusion to each category.

Database Features:

State-to-State Comparison Analysis Tool

This tool allows users to select any two states or territories and compare their incentive program offerings. The comparison can be further refined by filtering according to database categories and/or keywords.

Totals by State Analysis Tool

This tool allows for graphical analysis of any number of states and territories. Users select comparison states, program categories, and/or keywords. The data tab provides the total number of programs by category. The chart tab provides a bar graph comparison of the total number of incentive programs by selected categories. Users can then select the results from either tab to view the relevant incentives.

Export Function

The export feature allows users to download information into Excel format, allowing for easy analysis and comparisons. The data fields currently available for export are state, program name, program provider, program description, and website link.



Getting Access to the Database. Access to the State Business Incentives Database is available to C2ER members. C2ER membership benefits are available at three different membership levels: Research Professional, Organizational, and Premium Organizational. C2ER membership level determines the amount of Database information and features accessible to State Business Incentives Database users, detailed below. For more information, please see the Database website or contact C2ER at info@crec.net.

BENEFIT LEVELS	Research Professional (\$335)	Organizational (\$670)	Premium Organizational (\$1,025)
Basic Program Information			
State			
Program Name			
Program Provider	•	•	•
Program Description			
Website Link			
Database Tools			~
Search function			•
Export function		~	
 Analysis tools (State-to-State Comparison, Totals 			
by State)			
Program at a Glance		~	
Program Category			
Program Type			
Business Need			•
Program Industry			
Geographic Focus			
Contact Information			
 Contact Name, Address, Telephone, Email 		•	•
Program Details			
Program Objective		~	~
 Program Specifics 			
Eligibility and Application Information			
Eligibility Requirements		~	~
Application Information and Link			
Statutory Background			
Program Start			
Program Finish			
Program Cap			•
Program Administration Type			
Legal Citation			
Fiscal Information			
Funding Source			
Tax Type			~
Fiscal Year			
Amount Expended			



Incentives Database

Detailed Incentive Program Page

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Blotechnology Investment Incentive Tax Credit
Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development

Program Category: Tax Program Type: Tax credit

Business Need(s) Addressed: Tech & product development, Tax/Regulatory burden

Program Industry: 54 - Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Geographic Focus: Statewide

Website

CONTACT INFORMATION

Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development Division of Business Development, Tax Incentives Group 401 E. Pratt Street

Phone: (410) 767-6438 or (410) 767-4980

PROGRAM DETAILS

Program Description:

An individual or business may be allowed a tax credit of up to 50% of the amount contributed to a qualified Maryland biotechnology company, not to exceed \$250,000.

Program Objective:

To encourage investment in seed and early stage, private held bitoech companies.

The credit may be taken against corporate income tax or personal income tax.

Sole proprietorships, corporations and pass-through entities, such as partnerships, subchapter 5 corporations, limited liability companies and business trusts, may daim the tax credit.

The credit allowed is 50% of the amount contributed during the tax year, not to exceed \$250,000. The amount in excess of the state tax liability may be refunded. The total amount of credits approved by DBED each year is limited; initial credit certificates will be issued on a first-come-first-served basis. A prorated percentage of the credit is subject to recapture if an investor disposes of the ownership interest in the qualified biotechnology company within two years after the tax year in which the credit was earned.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION

Eligibility Regulrements:

To qualify for the credit investors must:

- 1) Contribute at least \$25,000 in cash or cash-equivalent to a qualified Maryland biotechnology company that is certified by the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) based on a number of criteria.
- 2) Required to file an income tax return to any jurisdiction.
- 3) Credits may be daimed for no more than \$250,000 per investment in a qualified biotechnology company.

DBED may not certify tax credits for investments in a single qualified biotechnology company that are in the aggregate more than 15% of the total amount appropriated to the Maryland Biotechnology Investment Tax Credit Reserve Fund for that fiscal year. DBED may not issue initial credit certificates in excess of the amount appropriated to the Reserve Fund for that fiscal year in the state budget as approved by the General Assembly,

A qualified blotechnology company must have:

- 1) Its headquarters and base of operations in Maryland
- 2) Fewer than 50 full-time employees; Been in active business no longer than 10 years; 12 years if the Department determines the company recuires additional time to complete the process of regulatory approvel(up to 15 years for fiscal years 2012 and 2013) 3) Cannot be a publicly traded company.

At least 30 days before making an investment, the business must submit an initial credit certificate application to DBED. DBED will in turn issue a final credit certificate which must be filed with the taxpayer's income tax return.

Form S00CR must be completed and submitted with personal income tax paperwork (Form S02 or Form S05), and corporate income tax paperwork (Form 500) or pass-through entity (Form 510) Income tax returns.

Additional application requirements are available on the website

STATUTORY BACKGROUND

Program Start: 2005

Program Finish:

Md. TAX-GENERAL Code Ann. ŧ 10-725 (2014)

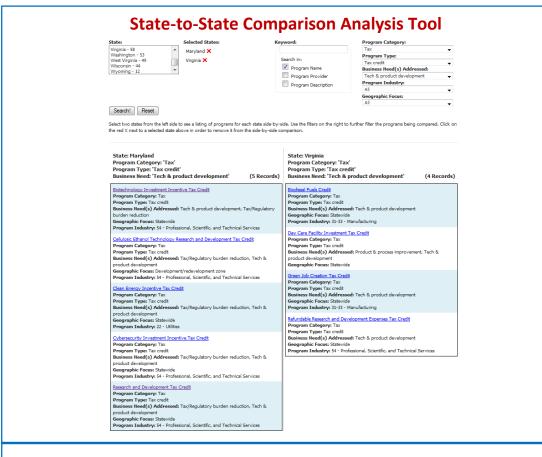
FISCAL INFORMATION

Corporate Income Tax (Statute Art. TG Sec. 10-725) 2012 - \$700,000

Other (Statute Art. TG Sec. 10-725) 2012 - \$7,300,000



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Totals by State Analysis Tool

