

Loan Guarantees

MassDevelopment provides direct loans and partners with banks to provide loan participations and loan guarantees to manufacturers, commercial/industrial businesses, developers, and nonprofit organizations. MassDevelopment can provide a guarantee on a portion of a bank real estate loan, a charter school loan, a tax-exempt bond, and a loan to companies that export products to international markets.

Export Guarantees

This program supports lending institutions on term loans, equipment loans, real estate mortgages, and working capital loans to exporters. Eligible companies are Massachusetts manufacturers that currently export or are considering exporting. Borrowers may be eligible for up to 100% financing for the purchase of new machinery and equipment using MassDevelopment's 70% Export Guarantee. Working capital loans or lines of credit may also be guaranteed using MassDevelopment's Export Working Capital Guarantee or MassDevelopment's Export Insurance Program through the Export-Import Bank. The maximum guarantee available is \$500,000. A fee equal to 2% of the amount of the guarantee is due at closing plus an annual premium of 0.5% of the guarantee amount.

Mortgage Insurance Guarantee

The Mortgage Insurance Guarantee encourages private sector investment by guaranteeing a portion of bank loans or tax-exempt bonds purchased by banks. MassDevelopment can guarantee up to a maximum of 90% of the value of the primary real estate collateral for the loan, allowing banks to lend above their LTV guidelines for new or existing credits. The maximum amount of the guarantee is \$2 million. The guarantee amortizes dollar-for-dollar with principal repayments on the loan. The maximum term is 10 years, although the lender can cancel the guarantee at any time without penalty. MassDevelopment's annual premium for this credit enhancement ranges from 2% to 3% of the amount of the guarantee.

Charter School Loan Guarantees

This program allows lenders to finance the acquisition, renovation, or improvement of real property used by licensed Charter Schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This guarantee allows lenders to finance up to 100% of the lesser of cost or value of the underlying real estate. Facilities owned or leased by Charter Schools are eligible. The maximum amount of the guarantee is the lower of 50% of the debt or \$3 million for owned facilities and the lower of 90% of project costs or \$1 million for leased facilities. The guarantee amortizes on the same schedule as the principal balance on the loan. MassDevelopment charges an annual premium of 0.5% of the guarantee amount.





Case Studies

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School, Franklin

MassDevelopment has issued a \$24.55 million tax-exempt bond and provided a charter school loan guarantee for Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School (BFCCPS), an educational institution that serves kindergarten to eighth grade in Franklin. BFCCPS used bond proceeds to relocate to 10 acres of land in Franklin, where the school will build a 77,500-square-foot, two-story school building, parking lots, and athletic fields. Citizens Funding Corporation, a subsidiary of Citizens Bank, purchased this bond.

Berkshire Sterlie Manufacturing, Lee

Berkshire Sterile Manufacturing (BSM) is using a \$2 million equipment loan provided by MassDevelopment for expansion of its sterile manufacturing operations. BSM is a state-of-the-art fill/finish contract manufacturer providing formulation and sterile filling as well as analytical development and stability services to the biotech and pharmaceutical industries. MassDevelopment enhanced the loan with an export guarantee.

Pipefitters Local 537, Dorchester

MassDevelopment issued a \$28.5 million bond for Pipefitters Local 537, a craft trade union for individuals employed in the Massachusetts construction industry. Pipefitters Local 537 used bond proceeds to demolish a building in Dorchester and replace it with a 70,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art, LEED-certified training facility. MassDevelopment enhanced the bond with a mortgage insurance guarantee. East Boston Savings Bank purchased the bond purchased this bond.

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