The Power of Partnership

RHODE ISLAND AGENCIES COMBINE FORCES TO INVEST IN THE NEXT GENERATION

History Calls: Rhode Island has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest in and support the next generation – by building the best schools possible for our students and by supporting future business leaders who will make our state competitive for decades to come.

BUILDING FOR OUR FUTURE

- Over the next 10 years, Rhode Island will spend $3 billion to build or rehab school buildings.
- 10% of that money must go to minority-owned businesses – that means $300 million available.
- We don’t have enough companies or workers who qualify... so we’re spreading the word about job training and business skills.

A powerful combination of Rhode Island state agencies joined forces to create the MBE (minority business enterprise) Incubator Program. Each year more than 3,000 Rhode Island students leave high school without a plan. The MBE Incubator Program is dedicated to helping many of these students take advantage of opportunities created by our statewide investment in school construction.

WE ARE READY TO FUEL SUCCESS

The MBE Incubator Program is offering a series of outreach initiatives to attract and prepare high school students and graduates for career success, including:

- Rhode Island Promise scholarships
- Paid apprenticeship programs
- Streamlined certification as an approved MBE
- And much more

Learn more at our website www.ride.ri.gov/MBE or email us at Tomas.Avila@doa.ri.gov to request an information session at your school or other location.