



Making Moves in Massachusetts

July 2017

## Expanding in MA

App development startup **Zudy** will be expanding into an office in **Harwich** on Cape Cod. Read more [here](#).

Pharmaceutical manufacturer **Avecia** is expanding its manufacturing facilities in **Milford** by **20K SF**, more than doubling its site capacity. This addition will make it the largest site in the world that manufactures drug ingredient, oligonucleotide. Read more [here](#).

**Granite City Electric Supply Co.** opened a new **80K SF** distribution facility in **Chicopee**. The facility features customer-friendly innovations and will host the relocation of the company's Springfield location. Read more [here](#).

Startup **Embark Veterinary Inc.**, which makes dog DNA-testing kits for owners, breeders and veterinarians, opened its headquarters in **Boston** and secured **\$4.5 million**. Read more [here](#).

Japanese pharmaceutical giant **Astellas Pharma Inc.** leased a **10K SF** office near Harvard Square in **Cambridge**. Read more [here](#).

**Boston**-based startup **InCrowd**, which helps drug companies conduct market research, will move to an **11K SF** space in **Watertown** in December. Read more [here](#).

Brewery and taproom, **Walden Woods**, will open in downtown **Marlborough** later this year. Read more [here](#).

## New Products & Funding

**Boston**-based **Catalant Technologies** secured **\$41 million** to improve marketing efforts and further develop the company's software product. Read more [here](#).

Virtual gene therapy startup, **LogicBio Therapeutics**, secured **\$50 million** and is moving to **Cambridge**. Read more [here](#).

**Boston**-based cold brew tea startup, **Evy Tea**, secured **\$1 million** to increase production and grow its brick and mortar presence. Read more [here](#).

Based in **Burlington**, metal 3D-printing company **Desktop Metal Inc.** secured **\$115 million**. Read more [here](#).

**Boston**-based election startup, **Clear Ballot**, secured **\$18 million** to expand its voting system across the country. Read more [here](#).

**Virtusa**, a **Westborough**-based publicly-traded IT company, secured **\$108 million**. Read more [here](#).

**Bevi**, a **Boston**-based company that makes high-tech office water coolers, secured **\$16.5 million** to push nationwide sales and develop a new product. Read more [here](#).

The U.S. Department of Energy's **SunShot Initiative** provided **\$5.5 million** in funds to six different Massachusetts organizations working on solar technology. Read more [here](#).

**Toast Inc.**, a **Boston**-based startup that makes point-of-sale software systems for restaurants, **secured \$101 million to hire 1,000 people nationwide** over the next year and a half. Read more [here](#).

**Bedford**-based consumer robotics company **iRobot Corp.** plans to expand its headquarters by **5,645 SF** and stay in the town for another decade. Read more [here](#).

**Waltham**-based robotics startup **6 River Systems Inc.** secured **\$15 million** to get more of its rolling robots, nicknamed "Chuck," into its customers' warehouses ahead of schedule. Read more [here](#).

**Circulation**, a **Boston**-based startup that uses technology for the transportation of health care services, secured **\$10.5 million**. Read more [here](#).

## Ambassadors @ Work

### The Xconomy Awards

The **Xconomy Awards**, sponsored in part by **Shire**, will honor notable people, companies, and organizations within the Boston life sciences community. This event will take place **September 26** at a gala during **Biotech Week Boston**. Register for the event [here](#).

### Notes on the Economy

**Mass Insight's [2017 Financial Services Impact Report](#)** predicts that Massachusetts will be a leader in the B2B-oriented "second wave" of financial technology innovation.

Hampden County jobs are moving from the manufacturing industry to fields like health care and education, reflecting a national trend. Read more [here](#).

The **Associated Industries of Massachusetts** reported that business confidence continued to rise in June to 61.8, up 5.7 points from June 2016. Read more [here](#).

The **Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development** announced that the **state added 10,000 jobs in June**. Read more [here](#).

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