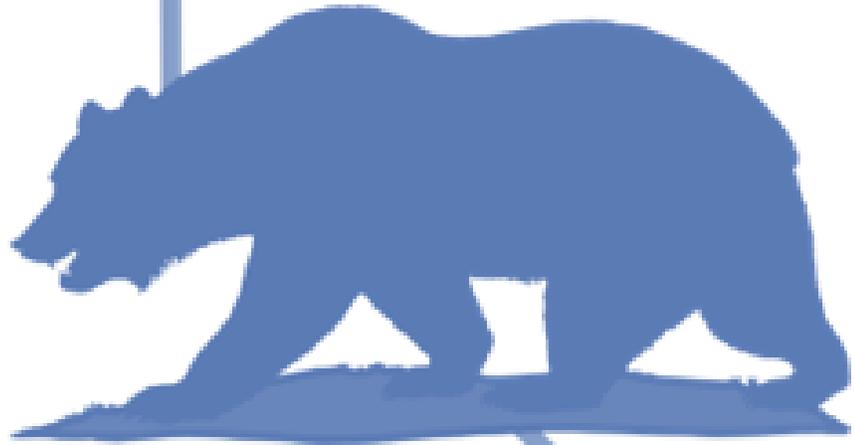


INNOVATION HUB NETWORK

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California is home to the largest innovation network in the country, with 15 designated Innovation Hubs (iHubs) stretching from San Diego to Redding and covering some of California's most vibrant economic sectors. The state-designated iHubs stimulate partnerships, economic development, and job creation around specific research clusters. The iHubs leverage assets such as research parks, technology incubators, universities, and federal laboratories to provide an innovation platform for startup companies, economic development organizations, business groups, and venture capitalists.

The iHub Program:

- Leverages California's national and international market-share in human and investment capital as a global destination for leadership in innovation opportunities.
- Provides a platform for the transfer of ideas discovered in nationally recognized laboratories and universities to private industry for the enhancement of an existing product or the creation of a new start-up enterprise.
- Provides an advantage to Californian firms through the introduction of new technologies, processes, research and development (R&D) solutions into its existing business practice.
- Provides conduit assistance for the interaction of existing government owned assets (federal and state), facilities and operations with venture-supported start-up companies for the testing and evaluation of products in development.
- Facilitates a linkage for the inducement of investment funding to an inventor towards the commercialization of concepts into products so that the eventual production occurs within the California economy.

In 2013, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. codified the California Innovation Hub (iHub) program by signing Assembly Bill 250 (Holden, Chapter 530, Statutes of 2013) into law. The iHub program improves the state's national and global competitiveness by stimulating partnerships, economic development, and job creation around specific research clusters throughout the state. iHubs are operated through a cooperative agreement between GO-Biz and geographically distinct regions within California. Each iHub represents an independent partnership between local government entities, public universities, research institutions, venture capitalist networks, and economic development organizations. Businesses and potential investors can utilize these regionally-based iHubs to gain greater access to funding opportunities, technology transfers, research relationships, incubator space, and the local workforce.

GO-Biz is the state's primary point of contact for promoting California's innovation infrastructure. It functions to develop an environment that encourages entrepreneurship, promotes long term economic growth, and facilitates job creation through innovation. This unit is primarily responsible for the administration of California's iHub program.

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