



**MassChallenge | Boston, MA (operating in the whole state of Rhode Island | \$150,000**

The MassChallenge model takes a community driven approach to help accelerate early stage high impact businesses through strengthening the supportive ecosystem that is key to their success. In 2018, MassChallenge launched a RI program that demonstrated significant demand from entrepreneurs and community stakeholders. In 2019, funding in the amount of \$150,000 will be used to manage a second year of programming to boost Rhode Island startup competitiveness through training, mentorship, and exposure to world class educational and curriculum resources. In addition, funding will continue development of startup-corporate collaboration to enhance network connectivity and strengthen ties between key stakeholders in Rhode Island's innovation economy (entrepreneurs, mentors, investors, corporations, government, and academia)

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