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Shuster Announces \$650,000 EDA Grant to Bedford County

Washington, D.C. – **Congressman Bill Shuster** is pleased to announce that the Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Agency has awarded the Bedford County Development Association with a \$650,000 grant to expand multi-tenant building and incubator space in Bedford County Business Park I along the I-99 Innovation Corridor.

The grant will enable BCDA to add 14,720 square feet to the existing 24,000 square foot business center. Right now, only 3,400 square feet remain available for occupation by entrepreneurs.

“This is great news for the business community in Bedford County,” Shuster said. “The new space for entrepreneurs created through this grant will attract new business to the area, expand the markets of existing businesses and ultimately create jobs.”

Kirt Morris, Chair of the Bedford County Development Association noted; “Our business center is nearly full. This expansion will enable us to help entrepreneurs and growth-oriented businesses.”

“We truly appreciate the support of Congressman Shuster and the Economic Development Administration for helping us position ourselves as the economy recovers,” Morris continued.

“This grant shows that the Department of Commerce also recognizes the importance of the I-99 Innovation Corridor to our region,” Shuster added. “I-99 has long been the grand-daddy of economic development projects and it is still paying dividends for the people of Bedford and the region.”

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