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State-Sponsored Venture Capital Program

The MTC IDEA Fund Program is a state-sponsored venture capital initiative that supports Missouri's early-stage entrepreneurs in developing technologies and creating jobs across Missouri.

Eligibility Criteria*

- Companies headquartered in Missouri with plans to grow their team and business in the state
- Early stage technology and/or innovation with a high growth potential
- Areas of focus: Biomedical & Life Sciences, Healthcare Technology & Services, Financial Technology & Services, Software & Data, Energy, Manufacturing, Supply Chain & Logistics
- Companies seeking equity-based funding that have the capacity to raise matching risk capital (at least 1:1) in six (6) months

Start your Application

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IDEA Fund Programs

	TechLaunch	Seed Capital	Venture Capital
Available funding to request from MTC	**$100K - 250K**	**$250K - $1M**	**$1M - $4M**
Recommended current fundraising round	$400K - $1M	$1M - $5M	$5M - $20M
Outside capital raised to date	< $250K	$500K - $2M	>$2M
Recommended use of funds	To further validate the product/service in target markets and generate early revenue	To develop the company and product	To accelerate private capital investment and the impact of 3rd party investors
Additional requirements			Lead investor identified from an institutional fund

Note: These are general guidelines for companies interested in applying for IDEA Funding to determine the best-fit program. Ideally MTC represents 10-25% of the total funding round. Startups may apply for multiple rounds of investment from the MTC IDEA Fund over the course of their journey.

**Additional eligibility criteria can be found on the MTC website*

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Missouri Technology Corporation (MTC) is a public-private partnership created by the Missouri General Assembly to promote entrepreneurship and foster the growth of new and emerging high-tech companies within the state.

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2026 Award Cycles Deadlines

MTC FAQ

January 2026 Award Cycle

- Application deadline: 11:59 pm, November 4, 2025
- Presentation to Investment Committee: January 2026
- Approval & Award: by end of January 2026

April 2026 Award Cycle

- Application deadline: 11:59 pm, February 3, 2026
- Presentation to Investment Committee: April 2026
- Approval & Award: by end of April 2026

July 2026 Award Cycle

- Application deadline: 11:59 pm, May 5, 2026
- Presentation to Investment Committee: July 2026
- Board approval: by end of July 2026

October 2026 Award Cycle

- Application deadline: 11:59 pm, August 4, 2026
- Presentation to Investment Committee: October 2026
- Board approval: by end of October 2026

MTC Portfolio Statistics

- Since January 2023, MTC has made over $42 million in investment awards to 120 technology-focused startups with high growth potential in Missouri.
- MTC portfolio companies have raised over $2.6 billion in additional private capital, generated over 8,500 Missouri jobs, and achieved 22 successful exits.
- MTC is averaging $4 million in investment awards per quarter.

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