

**MGHPCC Moves Forward with Infrastructure for the Massachusetts AI Hub Initiative**

*RFP Open for an Initial Phase*

Holyoke, Massachusetts, March 25, 2025 –The [Massachusetts Green High Performance Center](https://www.mghpcc.org/) (MGHPCC) is now accepting proposals for an AI/ML compute resource that will support the Massachusetts AI Hub initiative that was announced in December 2024.

[The Massachusetts AI Hub](https://www.mass.gov/news/governor-healey-announces-massachusetts-ai-hub-to-make-state-global-leader-in-applied-ai-innovation), is a groundbreaking effort to accelerate Massachusetts leadership in artificial intelligence innovation. This initiative will support cutting-edge collaboration between government, industry, and academia, pursuing solutions to the world’s most critical challenges, and unlocking economic opportunity for businesses and residents across the state.

The AI Compute Resource (AICR) Infrastructure System RFP covers the first of 3 tranches of funding. The tranches target a sequence of systems that will provide foundational infrastructure for the Massachusetts AI Hub initiative. The first deployment in the sequence is expected to be in operation this year. The deadline for responding to the RFP is April 17, 2025. Further details are available at [AI Compute Resource System](https://www.mghpcc.org/ai-compute-resource-system/).

The initiative is a public-private partnership with sizable investments from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as Boston University, Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northeastern University, the University of Massachusetts system, and Yale

University. The application base for this system includes a wide range of applied AI/ML

computational research and innovation. This range spans the academic community; economic

development in the regional early stage startup community; and strategic areas of the

established regional economy – including robotics, national security, financial innovation,

education, and health/biotech. Emerging areas, including quantum, fusion, next-generation materials nanotechnologies, and beyond, are also expected to be potential areas of impact.

[About the Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center](http://www.mghpcc.org/)

The Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center (MGHPCC) provides state-of-the-art infrastructure for computationally intensive research that is indispensable in the increasingly sensor and data-rich environments of modern science and engineering. The MGHPCC hosts millions of virtual experiments each month supporting tens of thousands of researchers around the world. The MGHPCC was developed through an unprecedented collaboration among the most research-intensive universities in the region (Boston University, Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northeastern University, the University of Massachusetts system, and Yale University); the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and private industry (Cisco and Dell EMC). The member universities fund the ongoing operation of the data center.

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