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## **ESDC ANNOUNCES \$75,000 GRANT TO SIEDC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

### **The announcement was made at the 10th annual SIEDC Conference**

Empire State Development Corporation has awarded the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation (SIEDC) a \$75,000 grant to go towards its public/private partnership projects. The funds will help support the organization's efforts with five critical capital projects throughout Staten Island, and a vision project for the St. George neighborhood of Staten Island. The announcement was made today at the 10th annual SIEDC Conference.

"SIEDC is an invaluable asset to the Staten Island business community," said Downstate ESDC President Avi Schick. "SIEDC has established itself as an economic development leader through its programs to assist businesses from a wide variety of industries and at various levels of business development. We are pleased to award them this grant which will help the borough continue to meet its development needs."

ESDC's grant will be used in connection with the public/private development partnerships component, which consists of Richmond Terrace Industrial Park, Atlantic Salt, Staten Island Terminal, South Shore Outlets projects, and a vision for St. George Station II. These projects have been devised to meet specific needs of the Staten Island community as determined through SIEDC's continued and extensive outreach to business executives, small business owners, new entrepreneurs, elected officials, public agency leaders, community leaders, and industry leaders.

Since 1993, the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation has served as the premier economic development advocate serving the business community of Staten Island. SIEDC administers 26 programs, and services businesses and entrepreneurs from a wide variety of industry sectors and at various levels of business development. SIEDC also administers the New York State North Shore and West Shore Empire Zones and New York City's Industrial Ombudsman Area.

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