

U.S. Sen. Baldwin: Highlights support for bringing tech hub to Wisconsin with stops in Madison and Milwaukee

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WISCONSIN – U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) today hosted events in Madison and Milwaukee to call on the Biden Administration to bring a Regional Technology and Innovation Hub (Tech Hub) to the Badger State and discuss how it will grow our economy, create jobs, and drive innovation in the state’s growing personal medicine and biohealth industry. Senator Baldwin first toured the Wisconsin Institutes for Medical Research on the UW-Madison campus to discuss Wisconsin’s cutting-edge research and integral role in the world’s biohealth industry. Senator Baldwin then hosted a roundtable at Rockwell Automation in Milwaukee with business, education, and workforce development leaders to discuss Wisconsin’s unique position to be a growth center and the economic impact of bringing a Tech Hub to Wisconsin.

The Tech Hub program is an economic development initiative created by the Baldwin-backed *CHIPS and Science Act of 2022*. Earlier this month, a consortium of 15 public and private partners organized by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) – including UW-Madison and Rockwell Automation – submitted Wisconsin’s application for a Regional Tech Hub to bolster the state as a leader in personalized medicine and biohealth technology. The Tech Hub program was modeled off the [Brookings Institute](#) report that identified Wisconsin as the top destination for a regional hub.

“With world-class research institutions, cutting-edge businesses, a high skilled workforce, and a robust manufacturing economy, Wisconsin is well positioned to be at the center of innovation and I can think of no better place in the nation for a Tech Hub. I was proud to support the legislation to create these Tech Hubs, which will help train, educate and grow our advanced manufacturing workforce in the cutting-

edge industries of tomorrow. Now, I am fighting to make sure Wisconsin will be at the center of that growth,” **said Senator Baldwin.** “I am calling on the Biden Administration to make Wisconsin a Tech Hub, helping continue our state’s proud tradition of innovation and manufacturing while growing our Made in Wisconsin economy and creating good-paying jobs.”

At UW-Madison, Senator Baldwin saw firsthand the clinical, research, and training programs in medical imaging and radiology that are among the best in the nation and support innovative solutions to diagnose and treat patients in Wisconsin and beyond. At Rockwell Automation, Senator Baldwin toured their facility to discuss their work in advanced manufacturing and producing the automation equipment critical for new biohealth technology and therapeutics. Senator Baldwin then gathered with consortium partners to discuss how partners from the private and public sector can work together to shepherd innovation in personal medicine and biohealth, growing Made in Wisconsin businesses, strengthening the pipeline of new talent, and creating jobs in this cutting-edge industry.

Under the Tech Hubs program, the Economic Development Administration will first designate promising Tech Hubs across the country and award strategy development grants to accelerate the development of future Tech Hubs. From there, EDA will make at least five implementation awards to selected Tech Hubs. Since the program’s creation, Senator Baldwin has been working to bring a Tech Hub to Wisconsin.

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