



# TEDCO

LEADING INNOVATION TO MARKET



Leading  
Innovation to  
Market for  
**27 years**

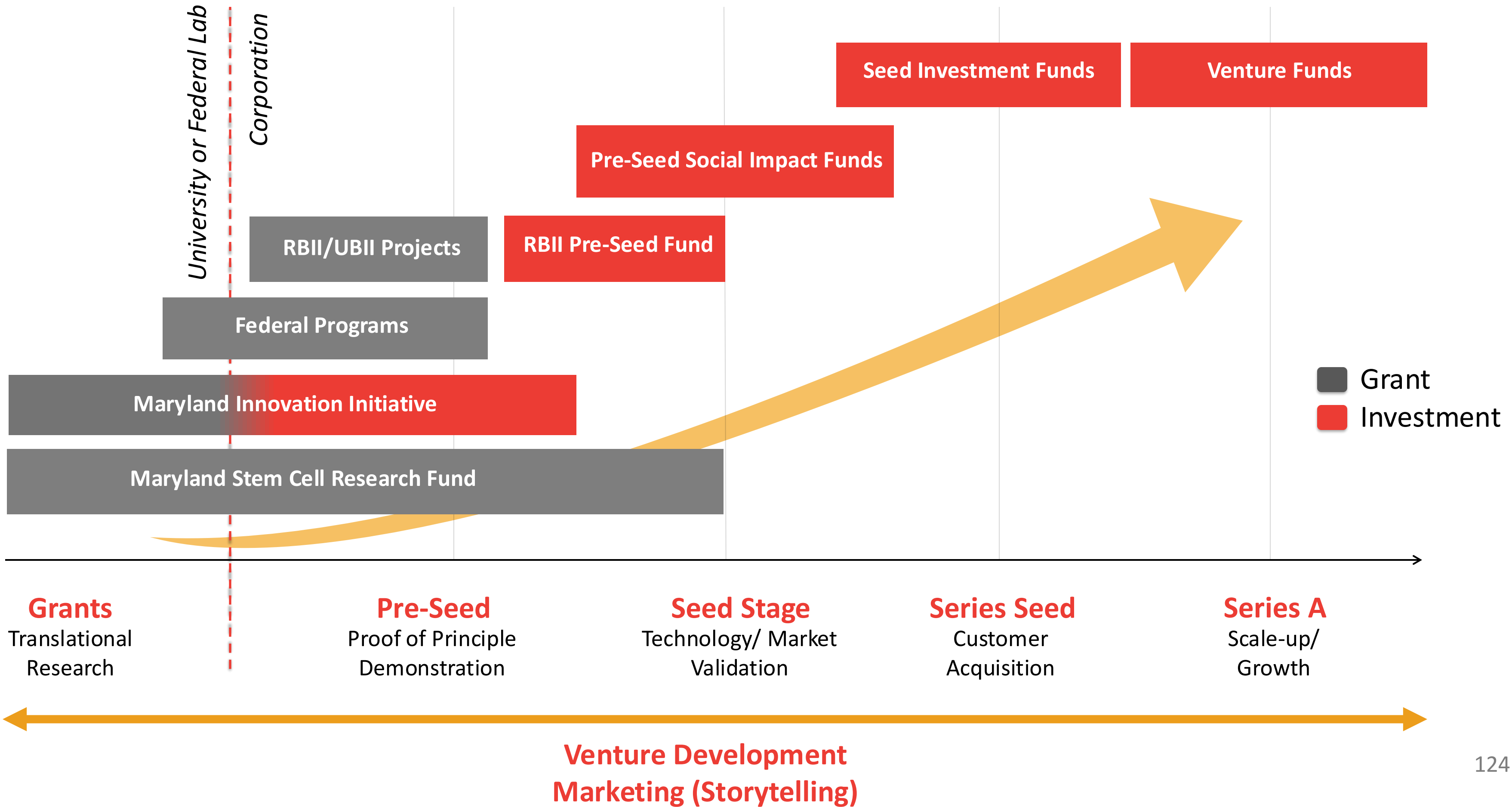
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### **TEDCO's Mission**

Enhance economic empowerment by fostering an inclusive and entrepreneurial innovation ecosystem. *Identify, invest in, and help grow technology and life science-based companies in Maryland.*



# Overview of TEDCO's Funding Programs by Stage



# Tech Transfer

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Moving innovations from the research lab to the commercial sector to create new ventures and to make new products and cures available to the public.



**Maryland Stem Cell  
Research Fund**

**Maryland Innovation  
Initiative Fund**

**Federal Technology  
Transfer**



# Maryland Stem Cell Research Fund

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## Our Goal

Develop new medical strategies for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure of human diseases, injuries and conditions through human stem cells.

## Program to Date



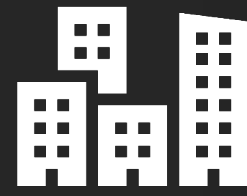
**\$213M**

Awarded



**650+**

Grants  
Awarded



**40+**

Organizations



**190+**

Disease  
Indications



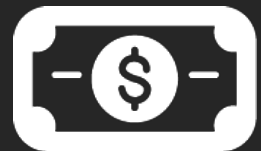


# Maryland Innovation Initiative Fund

## Our Goal

To accelerate and market promising technologies with significant commercial potential from Maryland academic research institutions.

## Program to Date



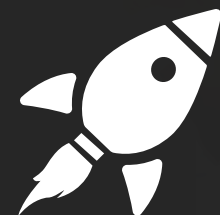
**\$58.1M**

Invested



**\$773M**

Follow-On Funding



**194**

Start-up companies  
created & supported



Maryland Innovation Initiative

# Federal Programs

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## DefTech

- Supporting businesses by leveraging technology, facilities, equipment, and expertise out of the MD Department of Defense Labs
- Partnership between TEDCO and the MD Department of Commerce

## SBIR/STTR Programs

- Proposal Lab
- Matching Funds
- Technical & Business Assistance (TABAs)
- Technical Assistance







# Investments

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Growing strong companies in Maryland and providing economic and financial returns to the state.

- Pre-Seed
- Seed
- Early-stage Venture Capital





# Social Impact Funds

Invests in pre-seed technology-based businesses owned and managed by economically underserved entrepreneurs:

- Pre-seed stage
- Executive support
- Peer-to-peer education and collaboration
- \$100K - \$200K convertible note investments
- **Types of Funds:**
  - Builder Fund
  - Inclusion Fund



# Seed Funds

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- **\$4M** annual fund
- **\$100K - \$500K** initial investments
- **Types of Seed Funds**
  - Technology Commercialization Fund
  - Cybersecurity Investment Fund
  - Life Science Investment Fund
  - GAP Fund





# Venture Funds

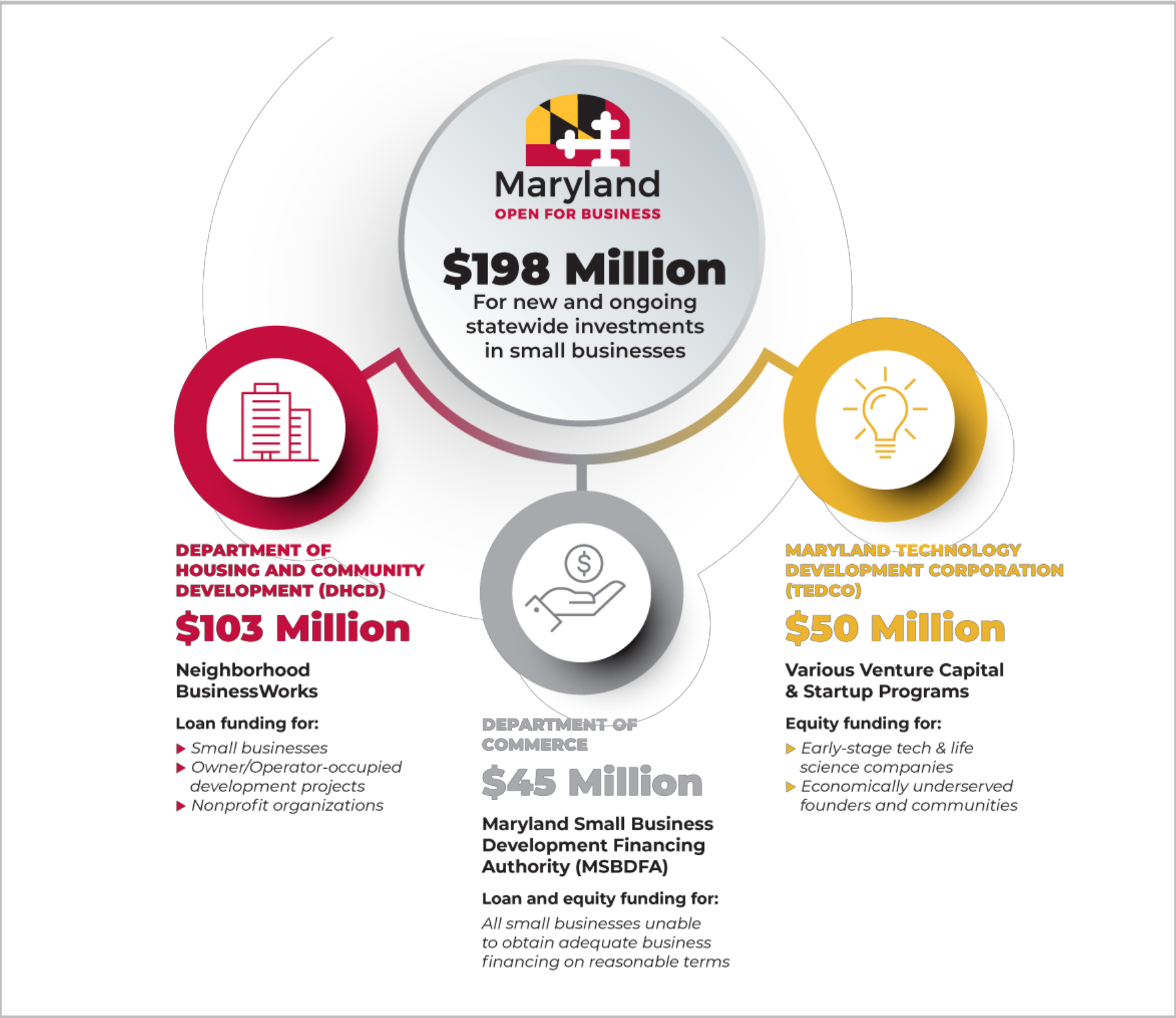
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Early-stage, evergreen venture capital funds dedicated to funding and growing the next generation of outstanding businesses in Maryland.

- **\$110M** evergreen fund
- **\$500K - \$1.5M** investments made



# State Small Business Credit Initiative





# Business & Ecosystem Resources

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- Prelude Pitch
- Marketing Toolkit
- SBIR Proposal Lab
- Network Advisors
- Business Roundtables
- Market Search Database
- Start-up Orientation Forum
- Maryland Entrepreneur Hub
- Entrepreneur Expo & Pop-ups
- Ecosystem & Portfolio Company Storytelling



# Rural Business Innovation Initiative

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## Mentors in Maryland's Rural Regions

### Lower Shore Region

- Talbot, Caroline, Dorchester, Wicomico, Queen Anne's, Somerset, and Worcester Counties

### Upper Shore Region

- Harford, Cecil, and Kent Counties

### Western Region

- Washington, Allegany, and Garrett Counties

### Northern Region

- Frederick, Carroll, and Northern Baltimore Counties

### Southern Region

- Calvert, St. Mary's, and Charles Counties

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# Urban Business Innovation Initiative

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## Venture Growth Advisors in Maryland's Urban Regions

- Baltimore City
- Prince George's County
- Central Maryland



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ENTREPRENEUR EXPO

—2025—

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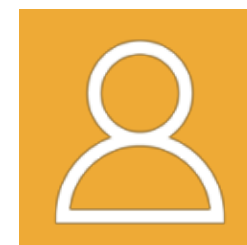
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## Request for Thought Leaders

The TEDCO team is available to provide expert commentary and analysis on a broad range of topics.

**REQUEST SPEAKERS**



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