

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Homeland Security Market Development Bureau and the Illinois Entrepreneurship Network's Procurement Technical Assistance Center at Illinois Central College's present:

Opportunities for Manufacturers in the Homeland Security Market

February 9th, 2006 8:30 AM to 5 PM
Holiday Inn Peoria City Centre

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- Peoria NEXT
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- Illinois Defense Industry Association
- Illinois Manufacturers' Association
- Illinois Manufacturing Extension Center
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This free event will provide Illinois manufacturers with the latest information on who is buying homeland security products, what they are buying and what future needs and challenges have to be met by manufacturers of homeland security products. Industry experts will discuss how to stay competitive and keep up with the changing need for new homeland security applications; how to negotiate federal and state homeland security procurement systems; what current and future standards and needs in homeland security technologies will be; and current opportunities in the homeland security market for integration, sub-contracting, investment capital and workforce training and education.

**HSMD is also pleased to support an event held in
coordination with the conference:**



Homeland Security Grants Training Workshop
February 8th, 2006 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM *
Peoria Holiday Inn City Centre

* Reception from 4 to 6 PM for those who register to attend both events

With support from HDJ, a premier national homeland security publication, the workshop is being offered at a special discount to provide in-depth training to homeland security manufacturers on how to identify and effectively pursue homeland security related grant opportunities.

To register for these events, please visit:

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