

Massachusetts Innovation Center



Massachusetts Innovation Center, Fitchburg

Project Type: Office, commercial, residential and school

The Massachusetts Innovation Center is an ambitious redevelopment of a 300,000 square foot mill building in Fitchburg to create a home for the North Central Charter School, as well as office, retail and residential space. Based on findings from the MTC funded (\$20,000) feasibility study, the Center will feature numerous green building elements including reuse of building materials, an innovative stormwater management system, and a ground-coupled heat pump. Through its construction and design grant of \$500,000 from the MTC, the Center will include 48.6 kW of solar photovoltaics to meet a significant amount of the building's electricity needs. This installation and other green building elements will be featured in educational programs for charter school students and the public. The Center will act as a valuable demonstration of renewables and green building elements in large-scale commercial developments.

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