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Drexel Partners with Lower Bucks to Create Green Jobs

by KYW's Brad Segall

An economic shot in the arm is coming for Lower Bucks County where Drexel University has announced plans for a small business “incubator” targeting green energy start-ups.

Drexel has plans to take another 15,000 square feet of space at the Bridge Business Center in Bristol Township to attract companies that will bring green jobs to the area. A developer is rehabbing several buildings on the site of the old Rohm and Haas location.

Congressman Patrick Murphy, who is helping Drexel move forward, says the benefits are two-fold including less dependence on foreign oil:

“One, our dependence hurts our national security, but secondly it’s a jobs issue, we need to start making things in our country again and putting people back to work.”

The business incubator is modeled after a similar program Drexel launched in Camden a decade ago. That center now employs more than 300 workers in over 100 companies. Murphy believes Bristol can do better.

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