

Mapping Cincinnati's Manufacturing Support Ecosystem



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¹ Organizations included in this ecosystem map participated in our *State of Urban Manufacturing* study; UMA does not represent this constitutes a comprehensive list of organizations that serve makers and manufacturers in Cincinnati. Our hope is that this encourages local partners to compile a fuller listing and keep it up-to-date as the support landscape changes over time.

² For the purpose of our study, region is geographically larger than a city and smaller than state; however, a region may contain portions of more than one state.

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About the *State of Urban Manufacturing*

The Urban Manufacturing Alliance conceived the *State of Urban Manufacturing* study as a way to give policymakers, economic development practitioners, and workforce training providers information they can use to make strategic decisions to support urban manufacturers. Longer term, this information may serve as a foundation to expand understanding across the economic development field. To inform this national research, UMA collected information directly from hundreds of manufacturers across six pilot cities — including more than 100 in Cincinnati — on the nature of their businesses and the challenges they face; the research team also spoke with a variety of organizations that aim to support these firms. Those support organizations informed the following Ecosystem Map. Its intent is to help producers and the organizations that support them match the right resources to businesses' needs.

About the Urban Manufacturing Alliance

The Urban Manufacturing Alliance is a national coalition of organizations that are building manufacturing economies fit for the 21st century. Our goal is to create pathways to middle-class jobs, spark homegrown innovation, and ensure that cities and towns continue to be the places where we make things. Through our Communities of Practice, in-person Gatherings, and original policy research, UMA showcases current practices, programs, and people that are uplifting manufacturing and creating more equitable communities. Learn more at www.urbanmfg.org.

Methodology for the Ecosystem Mapping Process



UMA was able to survey 36 organizations in Cincinnati that support manufacturers. The survey asked about:

- The general types of services offered to manufacturers, from among the following categories: Business Operations, Access to Capital, Product Development, Real Estate, Workforce Development, and Community Building/Ombudsman Services
- Specific programs within each service category
- Specific manufacturing subsectors on which each organization might focus
- Whether organizations served the entire city, specific neighborhoods, or particular types of manufacturers (some providers have a national footprint)

Some of the visualizations may list programmatic categories without any organizations working directly in that area. In addition to enumerating existing programs, an important goal of this process was point to gaps in existing manufacturing services. Our hope is that this information is leveraged for continued—and improved—collaborations across service providers, especially to address unmet needs. We also hope that these services will be periodically re-mapped to reflect changes in this ecosystem.



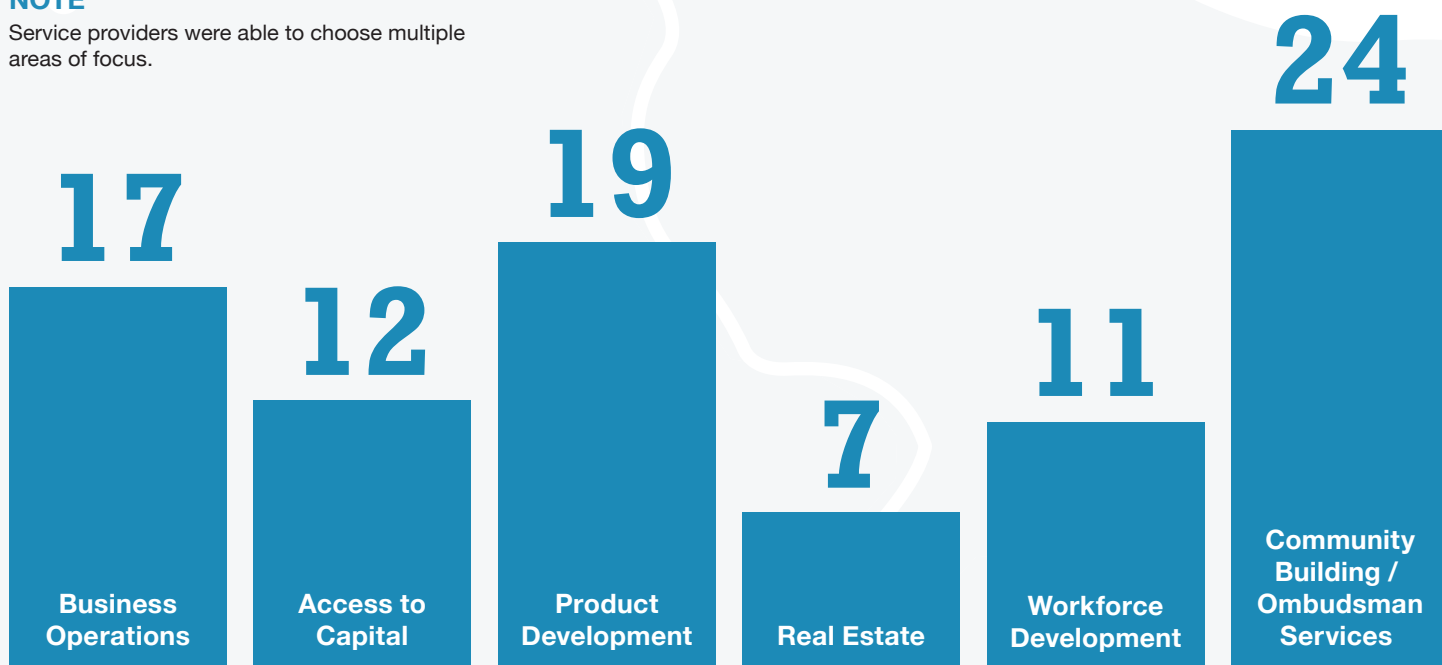
Services Provided

Service Providers

Of the 36 service providers surveyed, 67% stated that they focus on **Community Building / Ombudsman Services**, 53% stated they focused on **Product Development**, and 47% stated that they focus on **Business Operations**.

NOTE

Service providers were able to choose multiple areas of focus.



Service Provider Overview

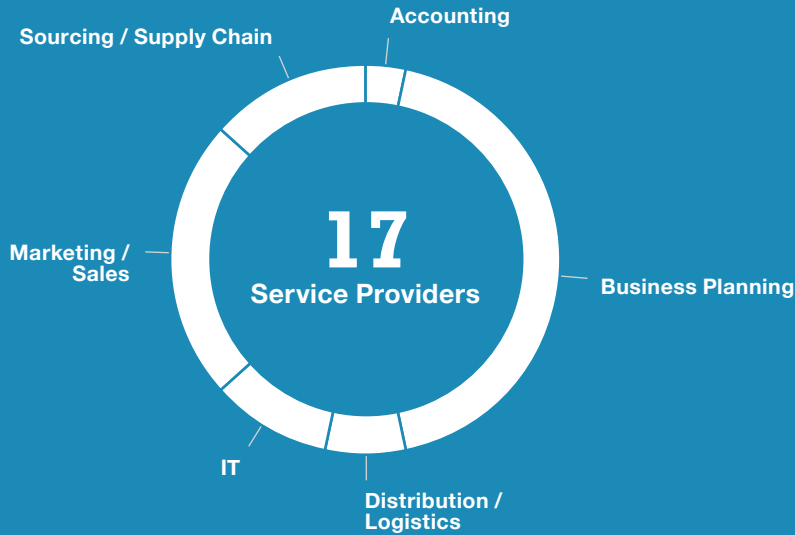
	SERVICES PROVIDED						SUBSECTORS SERVED											
	Business Operations	Access to Capital	Product Development	Real Estate	Workforce Development	Community Building	All Subsectors	Apparel, Textiles, & Leather	Ceramics	Chemical & Material Manufacturing	Computer & Electronics Product Manufacturing	Electrical Equipment, Appliance, & Component Manufacturing	Food & Beverage	Jewelry & Accessories	Medical Product Manufacturing	Metalwork, Machining & Fabrication	Printing & Related Support Activities	Wood Product Manufacturing
Artworks																		
Brewery District Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation																		
Camp Washington Community Board																		
Cincinnati Development Fund																		
Cincinnati Made																		
Cincinnati Museum Center																		
Cincinnati State Technical and Community College																		
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce																		
City of Cincinnati - Department of Community and Economic Development																		
Econogy Talent Group																		
Flywheel Social Enterprise Hub																		
Gateway Community and Technical College																		
Glad River Ventures																		
Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce																		
Greater Cincinnati Redevelopment Authority																		
Haile/U.S. Bank Foundation																		
HCDC																		
Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati USA																		
Hive 13																		
Kentucky Career Center																		
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Partners for a Competitive Workforce																		
REDI Cincinnati																		
Sew Valley																		
Sinclair Community College																		

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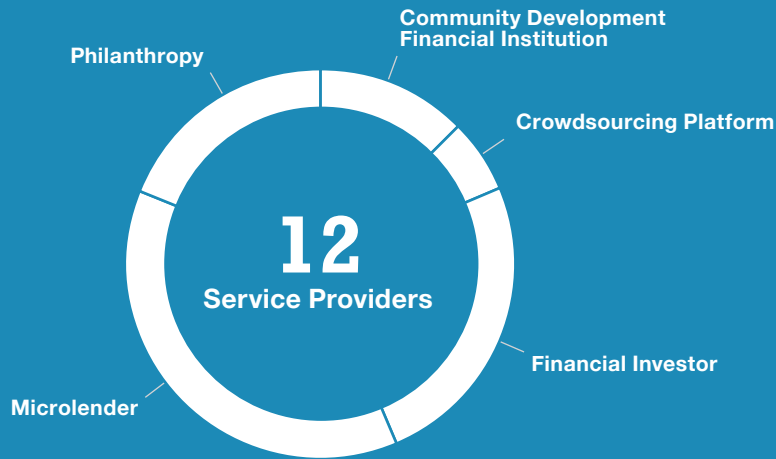
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TechSolve																			
The Manufactory																			
U.S. Commercial Service - Cincinnati																			
University of Cincinnati																			
University of Cincinnati Center for Entrepreneurship & Commercialization																			
Upside Innovations																			
Walnut Hills Redevelopment Foundation																			

Business Operations



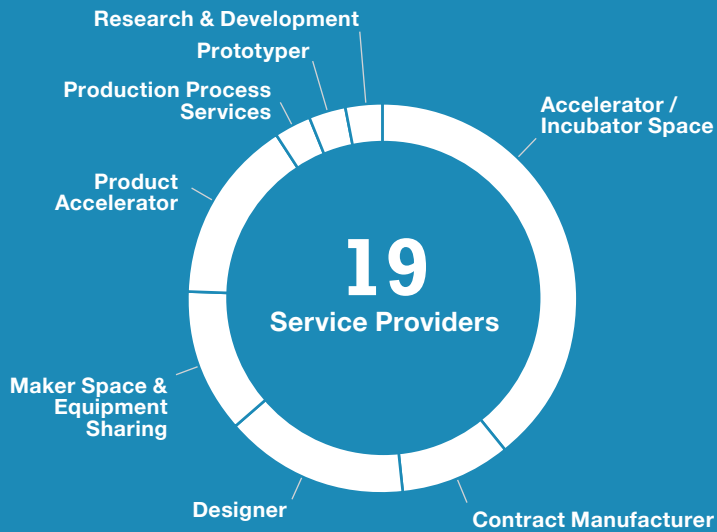
	Accounting	Business Planning	Distribution / Logistics	Information Technology (IT)	Legal	Marketing / Sales	Retail Placement	Sourcing / Supply Chain	Wholesale Support
Artworks		✓							
Camp Washington Community Board		✓							
Cincinnati Made		✓							
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce						✓		✓	
Econogy Talent Group		✓				✓			
Flywheel Social Enterprise Hub		✓							
Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce		✓							
HCDC		✓							
Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati USA		✓				✓			
Kentucky Career Center		✓							
Minority Business Accelerator - Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber		✓		✓		✓		✓	
Northern Kentucky Tri-ED						✓			
Partners for a Competitive Workforce			✓	✓				✓	
REDI Cincinnati		✓							
TechSolve		✓						✓	
U.S. Commercial Service - Cincinnati						✓			
University of Cincinnati Center for Entrepreneurship & Commercialization	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			

Access to Capital



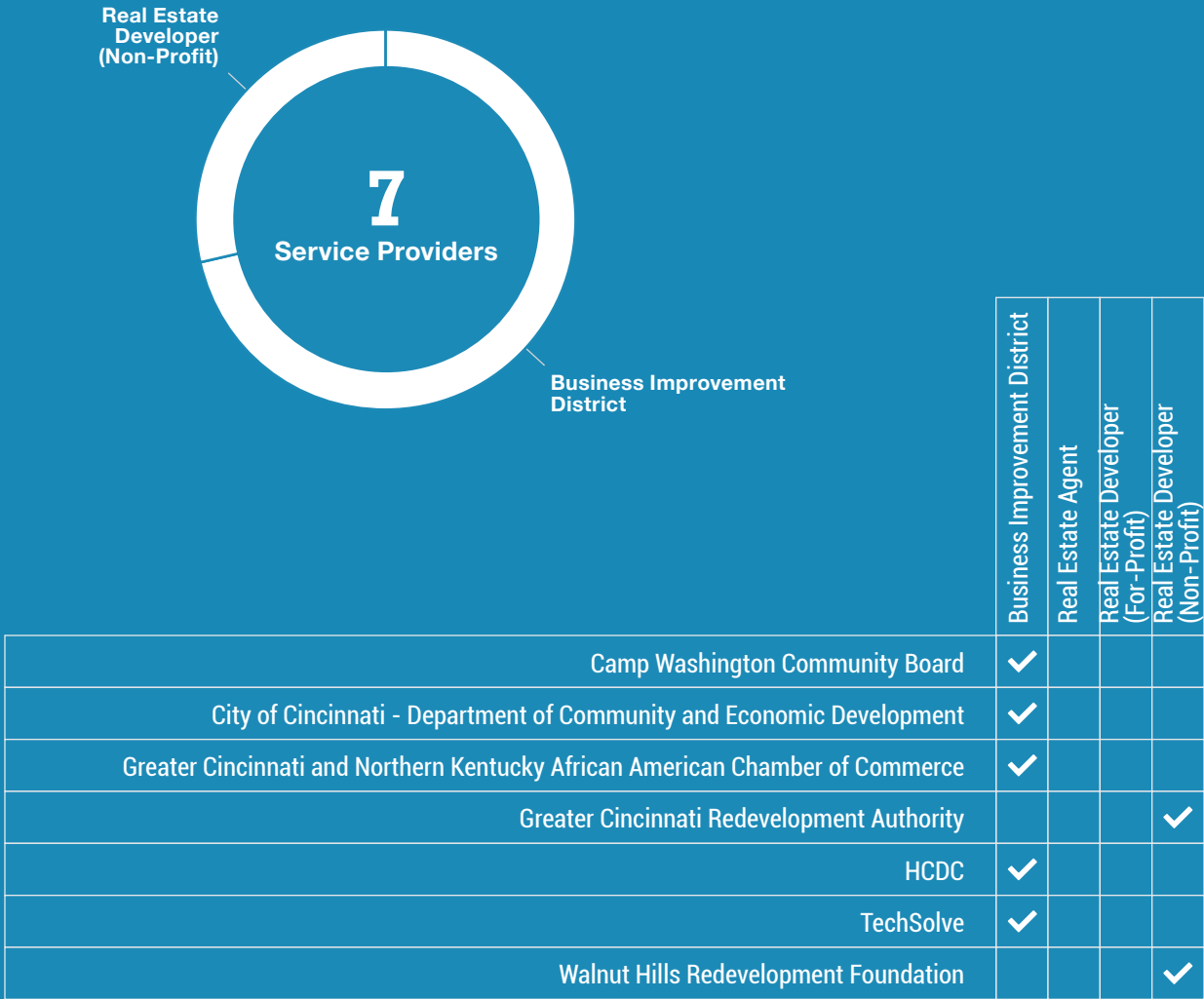
	Community Development Financial Institution	Crowdsourcing Platform	Financial Investor	Microlender	Philanthropy
Artworks				✓	
Cincinnati Development Fund	✓				
Econogy Talent Group				✓	
Glad River Ventures			✓		
Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce			✓		
Greater Cincinnati Redevelopment Authority				✓	
Haile/U.S. Bank Foundation					✓
Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati USA				✓	✓
Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky	✓	✓		✓	
Minority Business Accelerator - Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber			✓		
MORTAR			✓	✓	
OTR Chamber Commerce					✓

Product Development



	Accelerator & Incubator Spaces	Contract Manufacturer	Designer	Maker Space & Equipment Sharing	Product Accelerator	Production Process Services	Prototyper	Research & Development
Artworks	✓		✓					
Cincinnati Made	✓				✓			
Cincinnati Museum Center				✓				
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce	✓							
Econogy Talent Group	✓		✓		✓			✓
Flywheel Social Enterprise Hub	✓							
HCDC	✓				✓		✓	
Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati USA	✓							
Hive 13				✓				
Minority Business Accelerator - Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber	✓							
MORTAR	✓							
Northern Kentucky Tri-ED	✓							
Sew Valley	✓	✓	✓	✓				
TechSolve						✓		
The Manufactory	✓	✓		✓				
U.S. Commercial Service - Cincinnati					✓			
University of Cincinnati			✓					
University of Cincinnati Center for Entrepreneurship & Commercialization	✓		✓		✓			
Upside Innovations		✓						

Real Estate

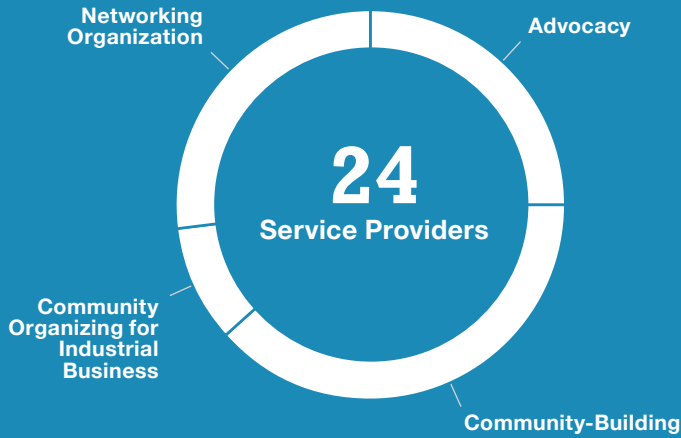


Workforce Development



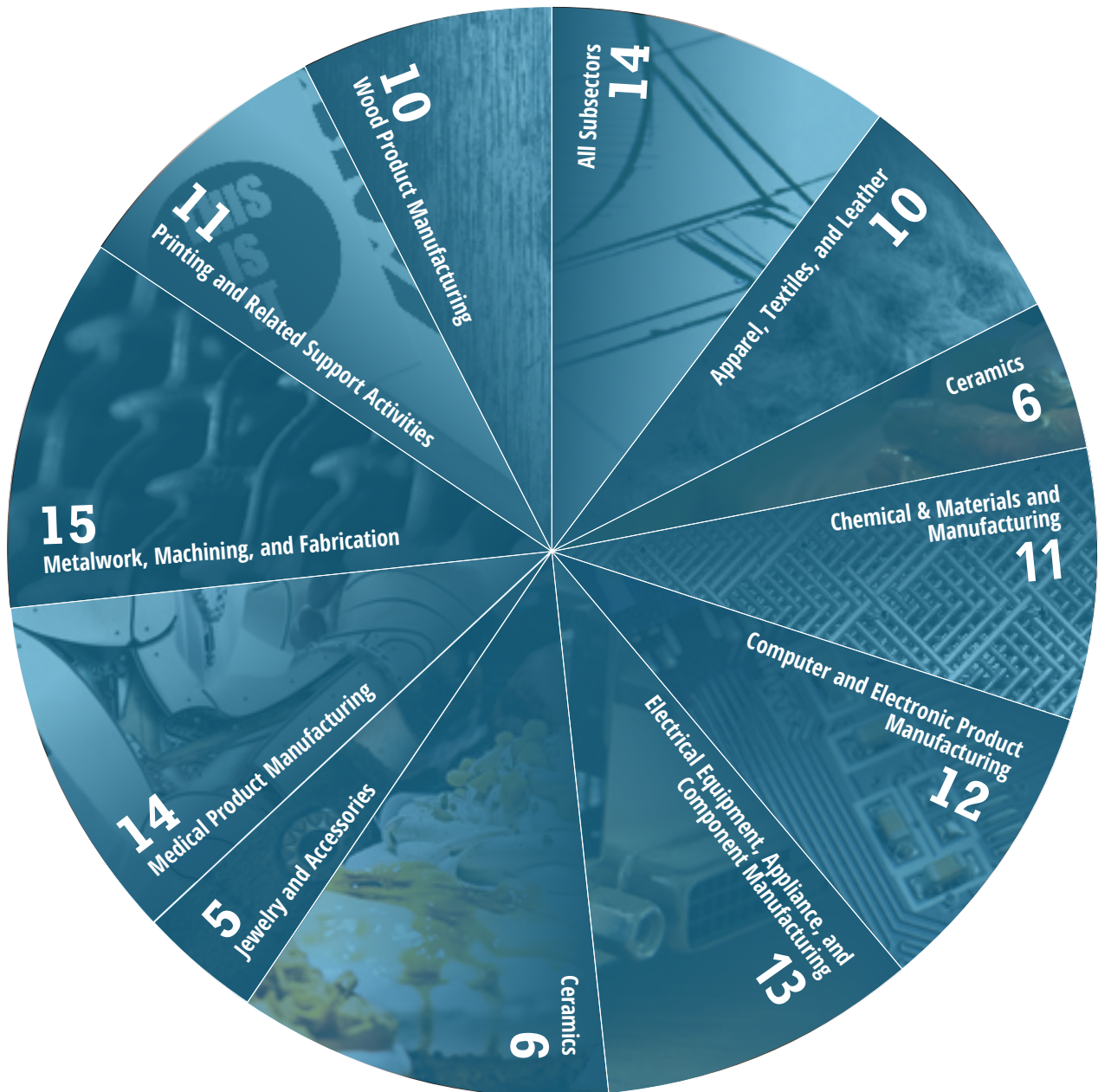
	Apprenticeship Organization	Community College	Four-Year University/College	K-12 Institutions	Labor Union	Non-School-Affiliated Training	Staffing Agency	Technical College	Trade Group
Artworks	✓					✓			
Cincinnati State Technical and Community College		✓							
Econogy Talent Group							✓		
Gateway Community and Technical College	✓	✓						✓	
Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce									✓
Kentucky Career Center	✓								
Partners for a Competitive Workforce	✓								
Sew Valley	✓					✓			
Sinclair Community College	✓	✓							
University of Cincinnati			✓						
University of Cincinnati Center for Entrepreneurship & Commercialization	✓		✓						

Community Building/ Ombudsman Services



	Advocacy Organization	Community Building	Community Organizing for Industrial Business	Networking Organization	Regulatory Services
Artworks		✓		✓	
Brewery District Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation		✓		✓	
Camp Washington Community Board	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cincinnati Made	✓				
Cincinnati Museum Center		✓			
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce	✓	✓		✓	
City of Cincinnati - Department of Community and Economic Development	✓	✓	✓		
Econogy Talent Group			✓		
Flywheel Social Enterprise Hub	✓	✓		✓	
Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce	✓	✓		✓	
Greater Cincinnati Redevelopment Authority	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Haile/U.S. Bank Foundation		✓			
HCDC			✓	✓	
Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati USA	✓	✓		✓	
Minority Business Accelerator - Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber	✓	✓		✓	
MORTAR	✓	✓			
Northern Kentucky Tri-ED	✓	✓		✓	
OTR Chamber Commerce	✓	✓		✓	
Partners for a Competitive Workforce	✓			✓	
Sew Valley		✓			
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The Manufactory		✓			
University of Cincinnati Center for Entrepreneurship & Commercialization		✓			
Walnut Hills Redevelopment Foundation		✓			

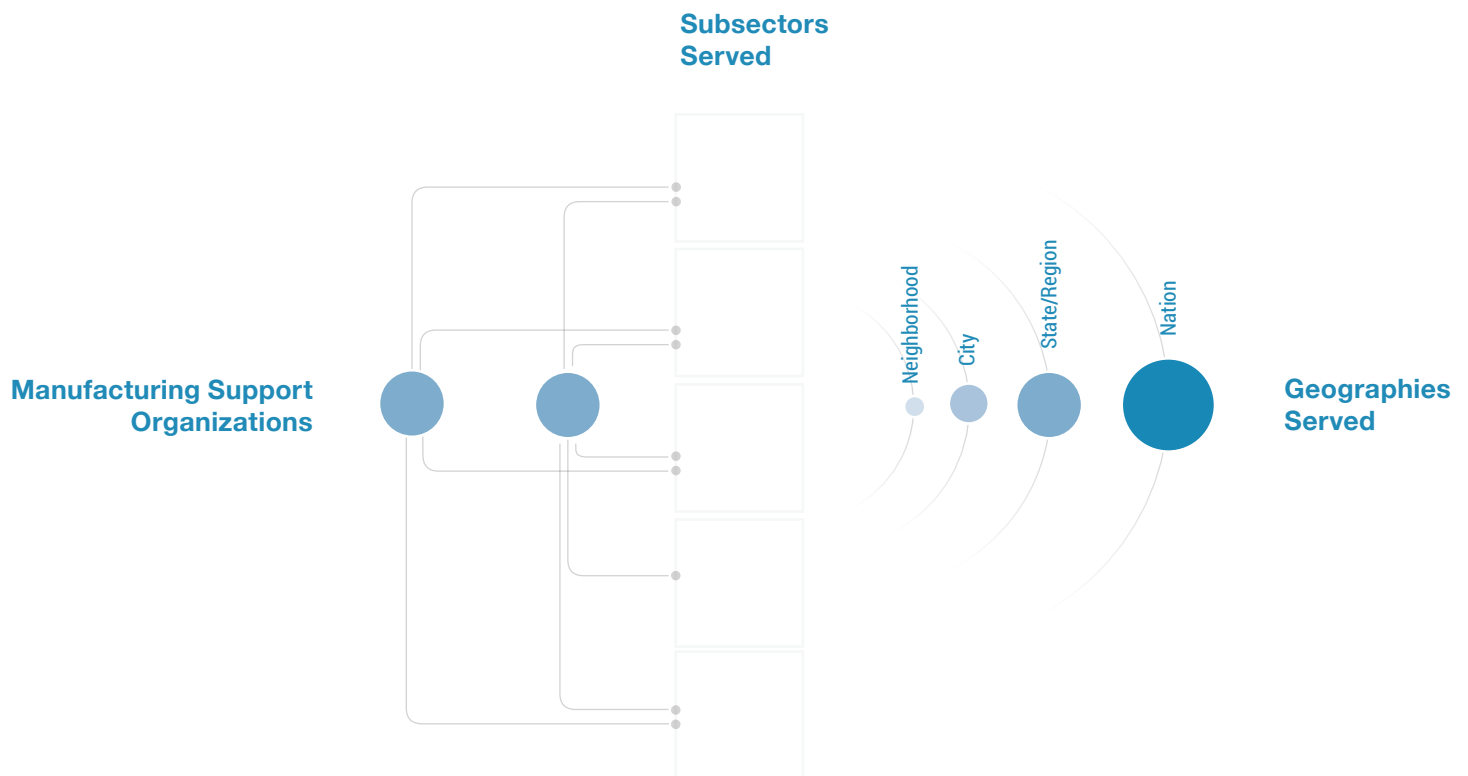
Manufacturing Subsectors Served



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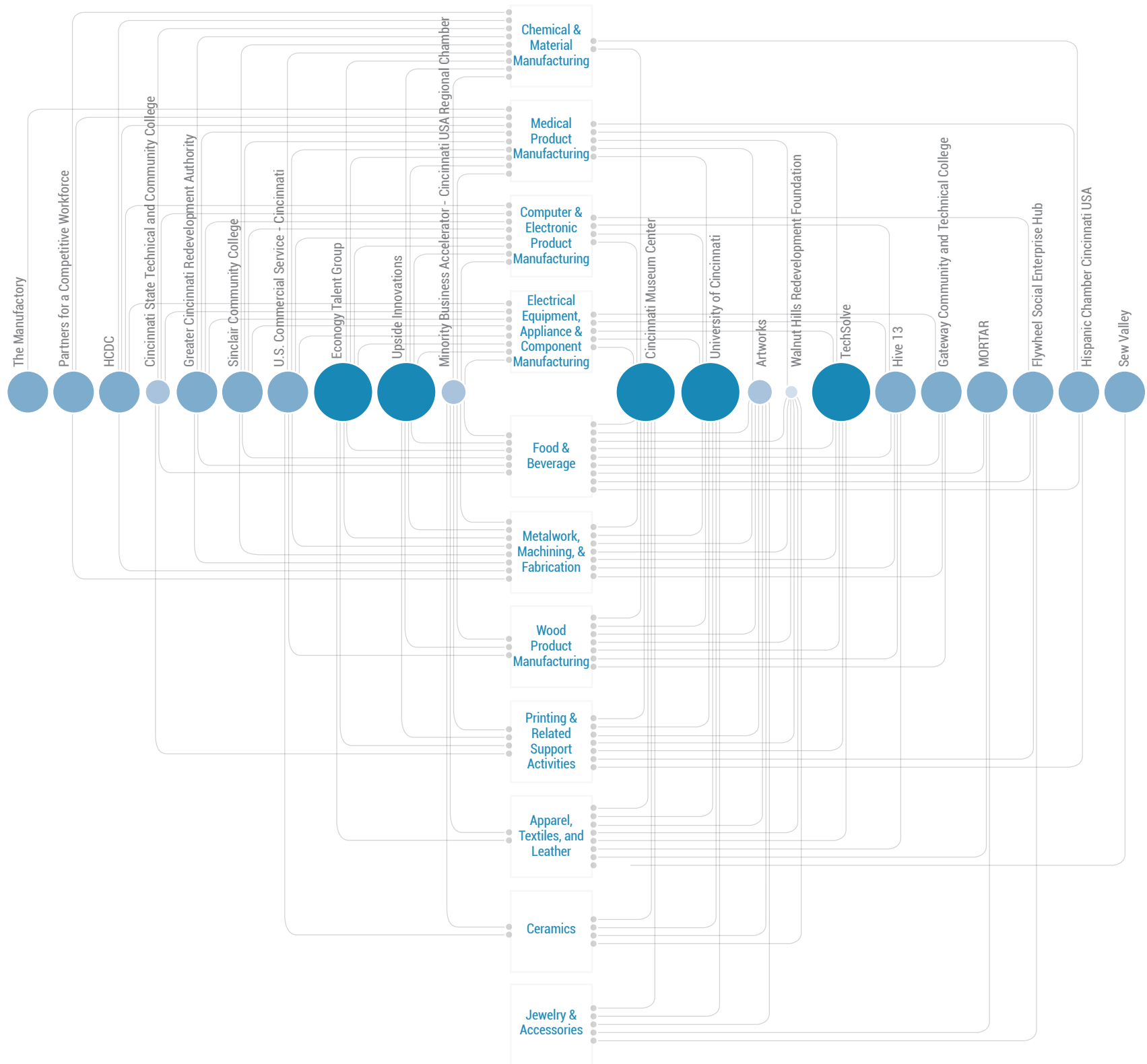
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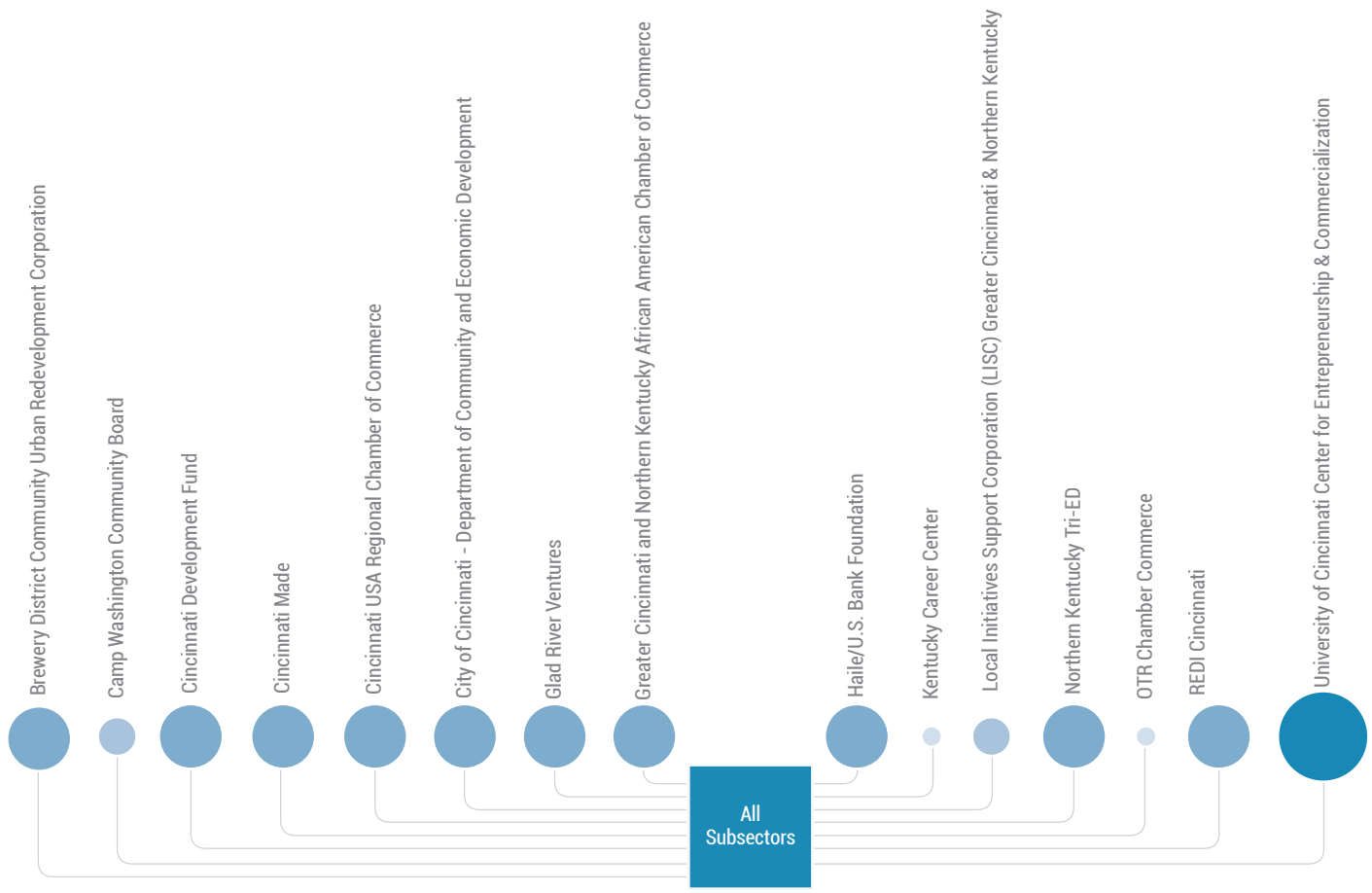
Subsectors and Geographies Served



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