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## April Updates

### John Petrozzelli discusses "Shoring Up" National Cybersecurity Defenses on MarketScale's Experts Panel



MassCyberCenter director, John Petrozzelli, sat down with other cybersecurity experts from Bernard Global LLC, University of Houston-Downtown, and The Futurum Group to discuss how to bolster cybersecurity on a national scale.

One of the ways the MassCyberCenter plans to tackle potential threats and strengthen cyber resiliency is via the [MassCyberCenter's Security Operation Center \(SOC\) initiative](#). In partnership with CyberTrust Massachusetts, community colleges, and universities, MassCyberCenter is using economies of scale and state-of-the-art technologies to provide affordable 24/7 Managed Detection and Response to municipalities, small businesses, and non-profits, while simultaneously training tomorrow's cybersecurity analysts.

Thank you, Daniel Litwin, host of B2B at MarketScale, for providing an opportunity to address these important topics and offer strategic solutions.

## Grand Opening of Bridgewater State University's State-of-the-Art Cyber Range



We were excited to celebrate the opening of Bridgewater State University's (BSU) new state-of-the-art Cyber Range. The Range, funded in part by [\\$1.5 million investment from the MassCyberCenter](#), will provide BSU students and partners a safe and controlled virtual environment to enhance their cybersecurity proficiency.

BSU's Cyber Range is an immersive experience that will be available to both students and other participants from local government, nonprofits, and private organizations. The goal is to strengthen the posture of municipalities in the region and increase the cybersecurity talent pipeline statewide.

We look forward to seeing how the new Range will bolster the next generation of cybersecurity leaders and strengthen the ecosystem in Massachusetts.

## Massachusetts Cybersecurity Mentorship Program Spring Cohort Begins

*Welcoming Suffolk University and 10 additional companies*

The Spring 2024 cohort of the Massachusetts Cybersecurity Mentorship Program kicked off at the beginning of March welcoming **39 students** and **39 mentors**. This program matches diverse cybersecurity college students with a mentor that is a cybersecurity professional. The goal of this program is to expand the diversity of the cybersecurity talent pool in Massachusetts.

This semester Suffolk University joined the list of universities represented and the program welcomed 14 new mentors from 10 companies and organizations including:

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- Draper Laboratory
- JLL
- Mintz
- NETSIMCO
- Office of the Comptroller
- Springfield Cyber Center of Excellence - STCC
- State Street
- The Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Commonwealth of MA
- US Department of Veterans Affairs

Since the fall of 2020, the [Massachusetts Cybersecurity Mentorship Program](#) has supported **254 diverse students** from **40 schools** across the Commonwealth, connecting them with **105 professional mentors** from **69 companies** to discuss cybersecurity careers and work together on a cyber-related project.

[Learn More](#)

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## MassTech Intern Partnership Program Now Accepting Applications

*Support future talent development*



Supported by the Healey-Driscoll Administration and the Massachusetts Legislature, the MassTech Intern Partnership (MTIP) program provides stipends to digital technology companies that are starting and scaling-up across the state to directly support internships for Massachusetts college and graduate students.

The program enables [eligible companies](#) to hire [eligible interns](#), to help drive innovation and keep our tech sector dynamic, vibrant, and growing. Eligible cybersecurity companies may apply for up to 3 interns and **can be reimbursed for up to 50% of the intern's hourly wage up to \$8 per hour for a total of \$3,200/year per individual intern.**

[Learn More](#)

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## Grants Available to Enhance Manufacturer's Cybersecurity Infrastructure

*Assisting Massachusetts manufacturers to bolster cybersecurity*

The Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM), also a division of MassTech, is accepting applications for their [Manufacturing Cybersecurity Program](#).

Massachusetts-based small to medium sized manufacturers are encouraged to apply to enhance cybersecurity infrastructure to meet requirements from customers, strengthen the security of their networks, and allow them to enter additional markets. Grants are available of up to **\$30,000 in capital cost share for cybersecurity infrastructure improvement projects**.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until **June 28**.

Please share this great opportunity with your network. Full program details can be found [here](#).

[Program Details](#)

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## Volunteer to Conduct Mock Interviews with Future Cybersecurity Heroes



Per Scholas Greater Boston is calling for volunteers to conduct mock interviews with their current students to prepare them for future job interviews.

The interview dates will take place July through December and are aimed at helping the students gain confidence, refine their interview skills, and prepare for their future careers.

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please contact [bdrees@perscholas.org](mailto:bdrees@perscholas.org).

[Sign up to volunteer here](#)

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## Have you visited the MassCyberCenter Jobs Board?

Cybersecurity jobs encompass many different types of skill sets across all sectors of business and critical infrastructure. The [MassCyberCenter Jobs Board](#) features opportunities that can advanced your career path. Where do you want to go?

Check out our latest postings:

- **Director, Cybersecurity** – Dell Technologies [View Job](#)
- **Security Operations Center (SOC) Analyst** – MassMutual [View Job](#)
- **Systems Administrator/Tester** – Executive Office of Health and Human Services [View Job](#)

[Explore Jobs Board](#)

## Upcoming Events



Massachusetts Municipal  
**Cybersecurity Summit**  
May 8, 2024

### Massachusetts Municipal Cybersecurity Summit

May 8, 2024 | 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - [Register](#)



### Cybersecurity Resources for Small to Medium-Sized Manufacturers - NIST Webinar

May 2, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - [Register](#)



### 2024 Information Security Summit

June 6, 2024 | 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - [Register](#)



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