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AN URGENT REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

One of the most pressing problems for the recreational marine trades in Massachusetts is the lack of qualified employees entering the marine trades. It is ironic that, in a time of relatively high unemployment, many jobs in our industry go begging. A [recent jobs survey](#) conducted by the Education Committee of the Massachusetts Marine Trades Association (MMTA), concluded that we have an immediate need for as many as sixteen hundred technical personnel, and going forward, a need for five thousand or more technicians within the next five years. These workers are not and will not be available; they do not exist nor are they in the proverbial pipeline. CRISIS TIME.

In an effort to attract more young people to careers in the marine trades, and to provide marine technical education/training in Massachusetts, the MMTA Board of Directors founded the Massachusetts Marine Trades Educational Trust (MMTET).

MMTET is a non-profit foundation, approved by the IRS, that will fund efforts to accomplish the educational goals of the Massachusetts marine trades. Four Trustees govern the foundation; currently serving in that capacity are: Ray Gaffey, former Executive Director and President of the MMTA, John Spillane, attorney for the Trust, Tina Giambro of the MMTA education committee, and Ed Lofgren, chairperson of the MMTA education committee. The MMTA education committee serves as an advisory panel for the Trust and Trustees.



Current MMTET initiatives include the awarding of scholarships to deserving individuals pursuing a career in the MA marine trades, and a [vocational school initiative](#) to assist in the establishment and continuance of marine technology programs on the high school and college level across the state.

To accomplish these goals, MMTET is seeking and soliciting funding. A [donation form](#) with return envelope is enclosed so that you may contribute. If you wish further information or assistance with donations, memorials, or bequests (wills), please contact – Ed Lofgren at 781-749-3250 or email Ed at erl@3amarine.com, or feel free to contact any of the MMTET Trustees.

A steady stream of young persons entering the recreational marine trades will go a long way towards solving our employee problems and enable us to properly serve our customers. That is the key goal of the Massachusetts Marine Trades Educational Trust.

PLEASE HELP US ACHIEVE THIS GOAL BY CONTRIBUTING WHAT YOU CAN TODAY.

Your contribution is tax deductible. For more information, please contact one of the individuals listed below

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