

INDUSTRY REPORT

MANUFACTURING IN WEST MICHIGAN



**THE
RIGHT PLACE**

Advancing the West Michigan Economy



REGIONAL MANUFACTURING RESOURCES

MICHIGAN MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY CENTER - WEST (MMTC-WEST)

For over 20 years, MMTC-West has delivered objective, high-quality manufacturing and technical support to small/medium-sized manufacturers. MMTC-West supports the global competitiveness of manufacturers throughout the region's 17 counties. Offering training solutions in business growth, lean, quality operations, people and sustainability, MMTC-West is the partner West Michigan manufacturers rely on time and time again.

MANUFACTURERS COUNCIL

Convened in 1989, The Right Place/MMTC-West Manufacturers Council is dedicated to the business success of the region's manufacturing industry. The council's vision is to be the regional forum for advancing manufacturing success in West Michigan. Members work together in a collaborative environment to promote, facilitate, enable and advocate for advancing a "best-in-class" manufacturing sector.

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

The Supply Chain Management Council is dedicated to supporting the competitiveness of West Michigan manufacturers by promoting best practices in integrated supply chain management. Members of the Supply Chain Management Council have a collective vision to be the Integrated Supply Chain Management hub enhancing the West Michigan economy.

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

The West Michigan region is home to more than 20 colleges and universities educating over 85,000 students. This strong educational network provides the Grand Rapids business community with a pipeline of highly skilled talent and deep resources for training and development.

DESIGN WEST MICHIGAN

Design West Michigan started in partnership with the region's economic development groups; The Right Place and Lakeshore Advantage. It has evolved into an organization with over 1,100+ members now in affiliation with Kendall College of Art and Design. A regional advisory group of design professionals provides input and represents the area's major furniture companies, design firms, independent designers, manufacturers, colleges and other leading employers.



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