

ANNUAL REPORT 2025

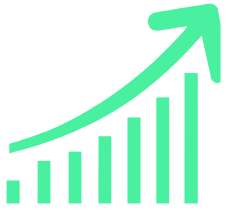


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136 S. Main St., Ithaca

GGDI BY THE NUMBERS:



\$2.38 B

invested by
GGDI-assisted
projects
since 1978.



5,257

jobs created or
retained since
1978 (30% of
county labor
force).



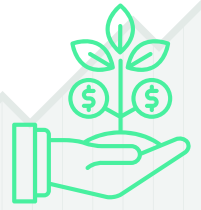
\$33.78

generated in
additional tax
revenue for
every \$1 GGDI
receives.



37%

of County's tax
base generated
from GGDI
projects in 2025.



\$18.7 M

in grant
dollars secured
by GGDI since
1978.

NOTABLE 2025 ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Worked with Capital Steel & Wire to renovate their facility. Total investment: \$1.46 million, 10 new jobs.
- Assisted Avalon in a building expansion for increased manufacturing space and acquisition of land for future development. Total expansion investment: \$1.28 million, 10 new jobs, 100 jobs retained.
- General business assistance to area manufacturers and agribusinesses, especially in regard to expansion assistance, financing, and employee development.
- Submitted West Hoffman Road for Michigan Ready Site status to increase visibility of the site for potential developments.
- Construction began on 311 E. Superior St. (mixed-use Brownfield in downtown Alma): \$3.1 M. Expected to be completed Q4 2025.
- Achieved a clean financial review with no material modifications in FY 2024.
- Administered Master Plan draft process, expected to be complete in Q4 2025.
- Supported talent development programs: Gratiot Young Professionals Network, Mid-Michigan Region 40 Under 40, CMMA Emerging Leaders, and Coming Home Talent event.
- Participated in regional studies addressing housing and childcare needs in the area.
- Formed and administer the Gratiot County Land Bank Authority, navigating potential grant opportunities for elimination of blight and future housing developments.

FEATURED BUSINESSES:

CAPITAL STEEL & WIRE

Ithaca, MI



Capital Steel & Wire is an innovative manufacturer, distributor and supplier of steel bar and wire products. Their Ithaca manufacturing facility will begin operations before the end of this year.

- Recent project: Purchase and renovation of former Cartridges Building.
- Investment: \$1.46 M
- Jobs: 10 (Ithaca location)

TRINITY TRUCK & TRAILER

Ithaca, MI



Trinity Truck and Trailer repairs and manufacturers trucks and truck trailers for a variety of industries. Currently, they are expanding into production of stainless steel silo manufacturing.

- Recent Project: Acquisition and renovation of old building for milk stainless steel storage silo mfg.
- Investment: \$6.75 M
- Current employees: 44

AVALON & TAHOE MFG

Alma, MI



Avalon & Tahoe, Mfg. is a leading manufacturer of pontoon boats sold across the US and internationally. Avalon is a vertically integrated builder, everything—pontoons, framing, furniture, and more—is made in the Alma facility.

- Recent Project: Expansion of building for manufacturing space and acquisition of property for future growth.
- Investment: \$1.4 M
- Current employees: 456

ALMA TIRE COMPANIES (ATC)

Alma, MI



ATC is a leader in the transportation industry, providing full-service solutions for passenger vehicles and commercial fleets through Modern Mechanics & ATS Fleet Service divisions. From routine auto repair and tire service to 24/7 roadside assistance, commercial retreading, and heavy-duty fleet maintenance, ATC is committed to keeping people and businesses moving since 1954.

- Recent Project: Expansion to support retread operations, including purchase of building/lots in Alma Industrial Park.
- Current employees: 165 (company-wide)

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For assistance in the following areas:

- Building/equipment expansions
- Brownfield Redevelopment
- Entrepreneurial assistance
- Employee recruitment/training
- Community impact initiatives
- Site selection
- State and local incentives
- General consultation
- Strategic planning