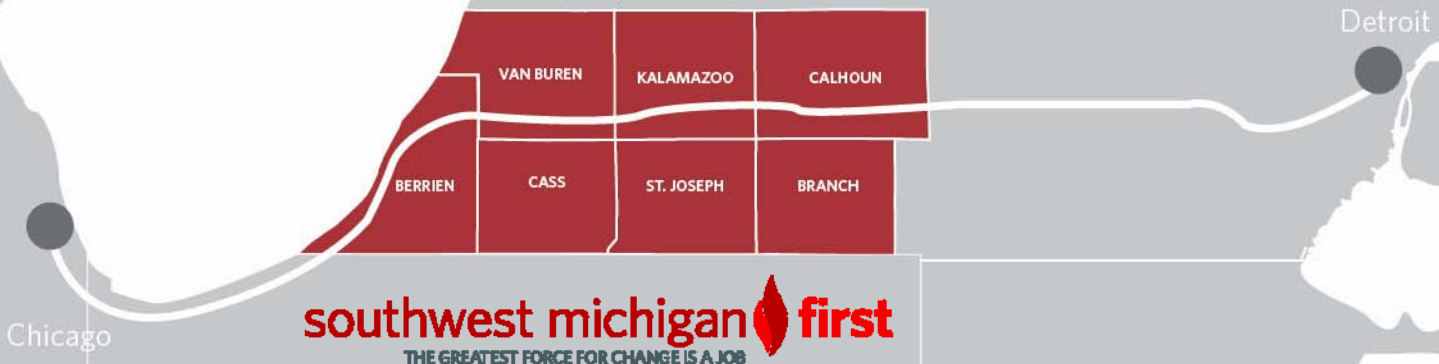


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2017 Quarter 4

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs + Investment	
 ALBEMARLE®	Design-Based Manufacturing	Albemarle continues to invest at its South Haven facility where it specializes in the production of pharmaceutical intermediates and active pharmaceutical ingredients.	11 new jobs	\$24,000 invested
 Armstrong	Design-Based Manufacturing	Armstrong International is investing in its Three Rivers location where it will create a new learning center, renovate an R&D lab and upgrade machinery to keep this fifth-generation family-owned company providing products that reduce emissions and improve energy efficiency for its customers all over the world.	5 new jobs	\$7,700,000 invested
 Aunt Millie's	Agriculture/ Food Processing	Aunt Millie's Bakery is making a \$1 million investment in its Kalamazoo bakery where it primarily produces Aunt Millie's delicious Hearth Breads.	0 new jobs	\$1,000,000 invested
 Consumers Energy Count on Us®	Utilities	Public utility provider, Consumers Energy , is investing \$9 million in its Union City facility which will expand that facility by 27,000 square feet.	0 new jobs	\$9,000,000 invested
 DUNCAN AVIATION	Design-Based Manufacturing	Duncan Aviation is moving forward with its plans to lease a hangar at Battle Creek Airport to increase the capacity. The comprehensive aircraft service provider expects the \$2.9 million expansion to create 50 new jobs over the next three years.	50 new jobs	\$2,900,000 invested
 ENVIROLITE SPECIALTY FOAM PRODUCTS	Design-Based Manufacturing	Envirolite's flooring products are converted in Coldwater where the company is making a \$1.9 million investment in a 54,000-square-foot expansion.	25 new jobs	\$1,900,000 invested



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 <p>HARLOFF MANUFACTURING COMPANY</p>	Design-Based Manufacturing	Harloff Manufacturing in Paw Paw continues to grow its custom tooling, stamping, roll form and injection molded solutions.	0 new jobs	\$60,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	With over 20 years of experience in the kitchen cabinet industry, Harvest Oak Manufacturing continues to expand its workforce in Bronson .	10 new jobs	Unknown invested
 <p>Hoof-To-Hanger Fiber Mill</p>	Design-Based Manufacturing	Offering animal fiber processing for sheep, alpaca, llama and more fleece from fibers, Hoof-to-Hanger Fiber Mill landed in Bridgman's downtown district offering an open view concept to promote visitor attraction.	6 new jobs	\$500,000 invested
 <p>LOGIQUIP[®] Healthcare Storage Solutions</p>	Health Services	LogiQuip Healthcare Storage Solutions is continuing the final assembly and distribution of healthcare storage solutions from its Galesburg location.	10 new jobs	\$9,000,000 invested
<p>M&M Core</p>	Design-Based Manufacturing	M&M Core is investing \$400,000 in its recycling services equipment and supplies operation in Bronson .	8 new jobs	\$400,000 invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	Monte Package Co. in Riverside/Hager Township is expanding its facility by 3,600 square feet. The company produces containers for the agriculture/food processing sector including wire-bound crates, wet service cartons, orchard bins and picking accessories.	2 new jobs	\$140,000 invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	Committed to bringing consumers "the best tasting beans in glass," Randall Beans is investing in Tekonsha where it has processed foods since 1876.	0 new jobs	\$80,000 invested




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<p>Skilled Trades Training Fund State of Michigan</p>	<p>Various</p>	<p>The state of Michigan created the Skilled Trades Training Fund (STTF) program in 2014 to assist employers in training, developing and retaining their current and yet-to-be-hired employees. The program is delivered through collaboration between economic development, educational, and Michigan Works! agencies. Here's just a few Southwest Michigan companies earning awards at the end of 2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abbott • Armstrong International • Forrest Company • Getman Corporation • Graphic Packaging International-Carton • International Paper • Isringhausen • Keystone Solutions Group • Mall City Mechanical • National Flavors • OptiMed Specialty Pharmacy • Pfizer Global Manufacturing • Schupan & Sons • Sigma Machine • Singh Automation • Taplin Group • Weber Specialties Company • W-L Molding Company • X-L Machine Company 	<p>399 new jobs</p>	<p>\$1,450,706 invested</p>
	<p>Design-Based Manufacturing</p>	<p>• Zoetis Tri-Mation Industries, a tool and die company located in Mattawan, is investing in new equipment and a new building construction.</p>	<p>15 new jobs</p>	<p>\$2,200,000 invested</p>





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	Design-Based Manufacturing	West Michigan Flocking , a full-service manufacturer providing innovative decorative, custom and functional components through flocking and injection molding, is investing \$4 million in its Covert operations.	36 new jobs	\$4,000,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Whirlpool Corporation is investing \$25 million in an expansion and renovation of the company's St. Joseph Tech Center. The multinational manufacturer and marketer of home appliances continues to expand in Southwest Michigan.	0 new jobs	\$25,00,000 invested



2017 Quarter 3

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs + Investment	
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Atlantic Packaging , a leading source of packaging equipment, materials, engineering and technical resources, acquired a site in Sturgis in anticipation of future expansion needs.	0 new jobs	\$200,000 invested
	Distribution/ Logistics	Clark Logic made investments in Sturgis and Three Rivers that will impact its logistics capabilities.	5 new jobs	\$1,000,000 invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	Bell's Brewery, Inc. will invest in capital improvements, equipment and sustainability projects throughout its regional facilities.	0 new jobs	\$7,000,000 invested
Bowers Aluminum	Design-Based Manufacturing	Bowers Aluminum has finalized an agreement to acquire 27 acres in Battle Creek's Fort Custer Industrial Park to build a new 68,850-square-foot facility.	94 new jobs	\$7,500,000 invested

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	Design-Based Manufacturing	Highly technical manufacturer, FEMA Corporation , is making a \$2,250,000 investment at its Portage facility including a new 47,567-square-foot building and 14 new jobs.	14 new jobs	\$2,250,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Xcel Painting, LLC announced it will expand and bring 50 jobs to the village of White Pigeon . The company is a spin-off of Indiana-based Global Composites, a manufacturer of nose caps, rear caps and nose cones for the RV industry.	50 new jobs	\$1,750,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Micro-Lam Technologies has outgrown its start-up roots and expanded into a new facility in Portage to support growth associated with its hybrid laser-diamond cutting tool system.	5 new jobs	Unknown
	Design-Based Manufacturing	A building expansion by Newell Brands in Kalamazoo is expected to bring \$8 million in new investment and 87 design jobs.	87 new jobs	\$7,300,000 invested

2017 Quarter 2

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs + Investment	
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	Bell's Brewery, Inc. is adding a pilot brewery and new specialty packaging line at its production facility in Comstock Township .	0 new jobs	\$550,000 invested
	Health Services	ConcertoHealth is expanding into a new 14,500-square-foot facility in Oshtemo Township . The group specializes in primary care and supporting clinical services for complex, frail, elderly and dual-eligible patients through comprehensive telephonic and field-based care.	90 new jobs	\$400,000 invested

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	Design-Based Manufacturing	A manufacturer for the auto parts after-market, DMPE, Inc. , grew in Stevensville .	3 new jobs	\$500,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Falcon Lakeside Manufacturing , a cast and machined products manufacturer, expanded into the villages of Stevensville and Eau Claire .	27 new jobs	\$1,800,000 invested
 Green Bay Packaging Inc. Kalamazoo Container Division	Design-Based Manufacturing	Custom corrugated packaging specialist Green Bay Packaging is undertaking an 107,000-square-foot expansion in Pavilion Township .	3 new jobs	\$10,800,000 invested
	Back Office/ Customer Care Center	GT Independence , a back office customer care company, will expand into 5,000 square feet in the new Moso Village development in the Sturgis .	50 new jobs	\$200,000 invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	National Flavors, Inc. , a local custom flavoring company, has broken ground on its new 30,000-square-foot facility in Oshtemo Township .	5 new jobs	Unknown
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Parker Hannifin – Pneumatic Division , a specialist in motion and motion and control technologies, made investment in its Richland site to accommodate for its office support staff.	5 new jobs	Unknown
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Quality Precast, Inc. is building a new 25,000-square-foot production facility and corporate headquarters in Alamo Township .	20 new jobs	\$1,352,185 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Zoetis, Inc. announced a \$64.5 million investment in its manufacturing facilities in Kalamazoo and Portage . The investment includes two new production lines and related operations to manufacture oral tablets and chewable medicines for companion animals.	60 new jobs	\$64,500,000 invested

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2017 Quarter 1

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs + Investment	
 Depatie Fluid Power Company PUMPS & AUTOMATION PRODUCTS	Design-Based Manufacturing	Depatie Fluid Power Company in Portage plans to invest \$550,000 in a 40,000-square-foot expansion, adding five new jobs.	5 new jobs	\$550,000 invested
 EAST JORDAN PLASTICS, INC.	Design-Based Manufacturing	East Jordan Plastics , a provider of plant containers and plant growing solutions, is expanding its manufacturing operations and distribution center in Coloma .	3 new jobs	\$1,300,000 invested
 G&W Display Fixtures, Inc	Design-Based Manufacturing	G&W Display Fixtures is purchasing a 150,000-square-foot building to house its metal fabrication, welding and finishing processes in Bronson .	10 new jobs	\$725,000 invested
 HAYMARKET BREWERY & TAPROOM BRIDGMAN, MI	Food Processing	Haymarket Brewery & Taproom opened its second location in Bridgman which will serve as a production brewery.	39 new jobs	\$5,250,000 invested
 INTERNATIONAL PAPER	Design-Based Manufacturing	International Paper , one of the world's leading producers of fiber-based packaging, pulp and paper, will expand its operations in Three Rivers .	25 new jobs	Investment Unknown
 Leco Delivering the Right Results	Life Science, Other	LECO Corporation will construct a new 64,000-square-foot applications laboratory and customer demonstration facility in St. Joseph .	6 new jobs	\$19,000,000 invested
 JR AUTOMATION TECHNOLOGIES, LLC	Design-Based Manufacturing	JR Automation Technologies , a global leader in capital equipment design, integration and manufacturing, will expand its existing facility by 25,000 square feet in Stevensville .	60 new jobs	\$1,900,000 invested
 MODINEER	Design-Based Manufacturing	Quality metal components specialist Modineer Coatings Division is expanding its operations in Benton Harbor .	21 new jobs	\$2,200,000 invested

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	Design-Based Manufacturing	Special-Lite , a manufacturer of engineered architectural products, including commercial entrance systems, has chosen to expand in Benton Harbor .	6 new jobs	\$1,000,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Summit Polymers , a leading Tier I supplier to the automotive industry, is expanding its operations in Portage .	0 new jobs	\$12,000,000 invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	A manufacturer of plastic injection molded parts and rapid prototyping specialist, Verified Design launched as a startup in Kalamazoo .	5 new jobs	\$250,000 invested