

BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE

Empower Businesses and Build Communities



Starting a Business

Growing & Expanding

Relocating a Business

A resource guide for organizations of various levels, from entrepreneurs to expansionists. Together we strive to create a better quality of life for all who work and live in Northwest Ottawa County.

Free Business Resources	Services				Website
Business Database by Consumers Energy	Business demographics	✓	✓	✓	consumersenergy.com/business/business-center/small-business-tool
Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)	Business certification	✓	✓		muskegonareafirst.org/ptac
Business Education Partnerships	Workforce development		✓		grandhavenchamber.org
Chamber of Commerce Grand Haven, Spring Lake, Ferrysburg	Business directory	✓	✓	✓	grandhavenchamber.org
Consumers Energy	Consultation		✓	✓	consumersenergy.com/business/business-center
Grand Haven Board of Light & Power	Consultation		✓	✓	ghblp.org/residential/programs-and-services
Economic Development	Tax abatements, incentives, connections	✓	✓	✓	grandhavenchamber.org
MEDC Community Data	Profile info by state or city	✓	✓	✓	michiganbusiness.org
Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)	Incentives & connections		✓	✓	michiganbusiness.org
Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center (MMTC)	Training, education & innovation		✓	✓	thecenterwest.org
Michigan Small Business Development Center (SBDC)	Finance assistance, training dollars	✓	✓	✓	sbdc-michigan.org
Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)	Doing business with the government	✓	✓		muskegonareafirst.org/ptac
Pure Michigan Business Connect	Doing business with Michigan companies		✓		michiganbusiness.org/services/pure-michigan-business-connect
SCORE	Mentoring and counseling	✓	✓	✓	muskegon.score.org
Small Business Administration (SBA)	Loan guarantees, contracts, counseling	✓	✓	✓	sba.gov
West Michigan Works	Grants, talent recruitment, training, development	✓	✓	✓	westmiworks.org

Additional Business Resources	Services				Website
Brownfield Redevelopment - NW Ottawa County	Brownfield Redevelopment	✓	✓	✓	grandhavenchamber.org
Downtown Development Authorities - NW Ottawa County	Enhancing business districts	✓	✓	✓	grandhavenchamber.org
Grand Rapids Opportunities for Women (GROW)	Business loans, training, mentoring, consulting	✓	✓		growbusiness.org
Grand Valley State University (GVSU)	Training & education		✓		gvsu.edu
Great Lakes Commercial Financing	504 Loan Program: Small Business Financing		✓		glcf.org
Lakeshore Fab Lab	Fabrication Center: prototyping, fabricating, counseling	✓	✓		lakeshorefablab.com
Leadership Connect	Workforce development		✓		grandhavenchamber.org
Muskegon Community College (MCC)	Training & education		✓		muskegoncc.edu
Ottawa Area ISD (OAISD)	Training & education		✓		oaisd.org
West Michigan Food Processing Association FARM	Kitchen incubator	✓	✓		westmichfoodprocessingassn.com

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