

# TALENT & DIVERSITY RESOURCES

## COMMUNITY, WORKFORCE, AND DIVERSITY ORGANIZATIONS: EMPLOYER & EMPLOYEE EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND SUPPORT

- Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce <https://www.apacc.net/>
- Grand Rapids Center for Community Transformation <https://www.grcct.com/>
- Hispanic Center of West Michigan <https://hispanic-center.org/>
- The Source <https://www.grsource.org/>
- The Urban League of West Michigan <https://www.grurbanleague.org/>
- West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce <https://westmihcc.org/>

## TALENT ATTRACTION, INTERNSHIP DEVELOPMENT & PROGRAMMING, ORIENTATION TO WEST MICHIGAN

### RPI TALENT

Hello West Michigan - <https://hellowestmichigan.com/>

- Rapid Roots (West Michigan Orientation) [www.hellowestmichigan.com/rapidroots](http://www.hellowestmichigan.com/rapidroots)
- Intern Connect [www.Hellowestmichigan.com/internconnect](http://www.Hellowestmichigan.com/internconnect)
- Employer Internship Training Sessions [www.hellowestmichigan.com/eitstoolkit](http://www.hellowestmichigan.com/eitstoolkit)

### Talent Learning Lab – Programming

- <https://www.rightplace.org/events>

### TALENT EDUCATION, POLICY

Talent First <http://www.talentfirst.net/>

- Talent Solutions Playbook (talent best practices & local and national resources)  
[http://www.talentfirst.net/uploads/images/TalentFirst\\_Playbook\\_v2.5.3\\_Digital.pdf](http://www.talentfirst.net/uploads/images/TalentFirst_Playbook_v2.5.3_Digital.pdf)

### DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION PROGRAM & TRAINING

- Bethany Christian Services – Immigration & Refugee Services  
<https://bethany.org/service/refugee-resettlement>
- Cultural Intelligence Center Certifications, Training, & Development  
<https://culturalq.com/about-cultural-intelligence/>
- Global Bridge Builders: Innovation Through Inclusion  
<https://globalbridgebuilders.com/>
- Grand Rapids Chamber Diversity & Inclusion <https://www.grandrapids.org/diversity-and-inclusion/>
- Michigan Diversity Council <https://michigandiversitycouncil.org/>
- Muskegon Community College D, E, & I Training  
<https://www.muskegoncc.edu/diversity-equity-inclusion/>
- Talent First Diversity and Inclusion <http://www.talentfirst.net/about/our-priorities>

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### THE RIGHT PLACE

[www.rightplace.org](http://www.rightplace.org)

616-771-0325

Ionia, Lake, Mecosta,  
Newaygo, Kent, Mason,  
Montcalm, & Oceana

### LAKESHORE ADVANTAGE

[www.lakeshoreadvantage.com](http://www.lakeshoreadvantage.com)

616-772-5226

Allegan & Ottawa

### GREATER MUSKEGON

[www.developmusegon.org](http://www.developmusegon.org)

231-722-3751

Muskegon

### MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP

[www.michiganbusiness.org](http://www.michiganbusiness.org)

1-888-522-0103

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**CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE  
GRAND RAPIDS AREA  
CHAMBER**  
[www.grandrapids.org](http://www.grandrapids.org)

**IONIA AREA CHAMBER**  
[www.ioniachamber.org](http://www.ioniachamber.org)

**LAKE COUNTY CHAMBER**  
<https://lakecountymichigan.com/>

**MECOSTA COUNTY AREA  
CHAMBER**  
<https://www.mecostacountyareachamber.com/>

**NEWAYGO COUNTY  
FERMONT AREA CHAMBER**  
<https://fremontcommerce.com/>

**HESPERIA AREA CHAMBER**  
<https://hesperiachamberofcommerce.com/>

**OCEANA COUNTY CHAMBERS  
& RESOURCES**  
<https://oceana.mi.us/doing-business/economic-alliance/resources/>

**LUDINGTON & SCOTVILLE  
AREA CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE & ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT MASON  
COUNTY**  
<https://www.ludington.org/your-chamber/>

**MONTCALM CHAMBERS OF  
COMMERCE**  
<https://www.montcalm.us/343/Chambers-of-Commerce>

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS/TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

- **GRCC Workforce Training** <https://www.grcc.edu/programs/job-workforce-training>
- Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center (MMTC) <https://www.the-center.org/>
- **HireReach (Skills-Based Hiring Training)** <https://www.hirereach.org/>
- **West Michigan Works** <https://www.westmiworks.org/>  
*Counties: Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Kent, Montcalm, Muskegon, & Ottawa*
- **Michigan Works West Central** <https://mwwc.org/>  
*Counties: Lake, Mason, Mecosta, Newaygo, Oceana, & Osceola*

## COMMUNITY COLLEGES

### COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

Grand Rapids Community College  
Montcalm Community College  
Muskegon Community College  
West Shore Community College

### APPRENTICESHIPS & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

<https://www.grcc.edu/programs/job-workforce-training>  
<https://www.montcalm.edu/workforce-training>  
<https://www.muskegoncc.edu/workforce-training/>  
<https://www.westshore.edu/>

## COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

### COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

Aquinas College  
Calvin University  
Cornerstone University  
Davenport University  
Ferris State University  
Grand Rapids Community College  
Grand Valley State Univ  
Hope College  
Kendall College of Art & Design  
Western Michigan University  
Michigan Colleges Alliances (MCA)

### STUDENT RECRUITMENT

<https://aqadvantage.aquinas.edu/>  
<https://calvin.edu/offices-services/career-center/employers/>  
<https://www.cornerstone.edu/university-offices/career-life-calling/recruit-a-cu-student/>  
<https://www.davenport.edu/career-services/employers>  
<https://www.ferris.edu/student-life/career-and-professional-success/employers/index.htm>  
<https://www.grcc.edu/programs/job-workforce-training>  
<https://www.gvsu.edu/careers/>  
<https://hope.edu/offices/boerigter-center/employers/>  
<https://kcad.ferris.edu/>  
<https://wmich.edu/students/employment>  
<https://michigancolleges.org/>

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