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## 2018 Quarter 4

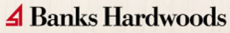


Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs	Investment
	Skilled Trades Training Fund	<p>Formerly known as the State of Michigan’s Skilled Trades Training Fund (STTF), the <b>Going PRO Talent Fund</b> provides funds to companies for short term, in-demand training. Training is not limited to “skilled trade” occupations; training has included welding, CNC operator, CNC programmer, robotics, IT training, electronic health records, and on-the-job training for individuals to be hired. Here are just a few Southwest Michigan companies earning awards at the end of 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A &amp; O Mold and Engineering</li> <li>• Abbott</li> <li>• American Axle &amp; Manufacturing</li> <li>• Eimo Technologies, Inc.</li> <li>• Erbsloeh Aluminum Solutions</li> <li>• Kalamazoo X-Ray Sales</li> <li>• KSS Enterprises</li> <li>• Le Vannes, Inc.</li> <li>• MANN+HUMMEL USA Inc.</li> <li>• National Flavors, Inc.</li> <li>• OptiMed Specialty Pharmacy</li> <li>• Parker Fluid Connectors, Brass</li> <li>• Senior Care Partners</li> <li>• Sigma Machine Inc.</li> <li>• Singh Automation</li> <li>• TEKNA</li> <li>• Weber Specialties Company</li> <li>• White Pigeon Paper Company</li> <li>• XL Machine Company, Inc.</li> <li>• Zoetis Inc.</li> </ul>	<p><b>107</b> new jobs and <b>558</b> retained workers trained</p>	<p><b>\$908,796</b> invested</p>
	Design-Based Manufacturing	<p><b>Sturgis Molded Products</b>, a plastic injection molding specialist in <b>Sturgis</b>, is investing \$3 million in its facility and equipment to accommodate growth from a new product line.</p>	<p><b>0</b> new jobs</p>	<p><b>\$3,000,000</b> invested</p>

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## 2018 Quarter 3

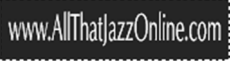



Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs	Investment
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	<b>Michigan Milk Producers Association</b> , a dairy farmer-owned cooperative and dairy producer serving more than 1,700 farmers in the Midwest, plans to add a new 7,500-square-foot processing area to its existing facility in <b>Constantine</b> . The project is expected to generate a total investment of \$24 million and create 11 jobs.	<b>11</b> new jobs	<b>\$24,000,000</b> invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	<b>Walther Farms</b> , a third-generation potato farm, is investing \$8 million in the construction of a new 110,000-square-foot refrigerated warehouse in <b>Mottville Township</b> near Three Rivers. The expansion will create 12 new jobs.	<b>12</b> new jobs	<b>\$8,300,000</b> invested

## 2018 Quarter 2

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs	Investment
	Design-Based Manufacturing	Due to increased production volume, <b>Banks Hardwoods</b> , a valued supplier of hardwoods in <b>White Pigeon</b> , expanded its warehousing space by 30,000 square feet.	<b>0</b> new jobs	<b>\$2,000,000</b> invested
	Agriculture/ Food Processing	<b>Mendon Seed Growers</b> will establish a new location in <b>Sturgis</b> . The company received a \$50,000 performance-based grant from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development to create a full-service, turnkey seed production facility.	<b>6</b> new jobs	<b>\$3,000,000</b> invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	<b>XL Machine</b> , a turnkey supplier of precision build-to-print components and assemblies, will expand its shipping area to accommodate increased product demand from <b>Three Rivers</b> .	<b>10</b> new jobs	<b>\$1,320,000</b> invested

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## 2018 Quarter 1

Company	Industry	Summary	Jobs	Investment
	Distribution/ Logistics	<b>All That Jazz</b> , a custom embroidery company, announced the purchase of 360,000 square feet in the former Kirsch Building in <b>Sturgis</b> , where it will operate a warehousing and distribution operation.	<b>20</b> new jobs	<b>\$3,000,000</b> invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	<b>American Axle &amp; Manufacturing</b> , a global leader in driveline, metal forming, powertrain and casting technologies for automotive, commercial and industrial markets will use a grant award from the Michigan Skilled Trades Training Fund to equip new employees with jobs skills at its <b>Three Rivers</b> location.	<b>120</b> new jobs	<b>\$143,320</b> invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	<b>Lawson Aviation</b> , specializing in the overhaul of Continental and Lycoming engines, purchased three acres in the city of <b>Three Rivers</b> Airport Industrial Park to build an addition to its growing business.	<b>2</b> new jobs	<b>\$80,000</b> invested
	Design-Based Manufacturing	<b>Michigan Tool Works</b> has completed its purchase of Luttmann Precision Mold in <b>Sturgis</b> , acquiring the building, equipment and 30 employees.	<b>0</b> new jobs	<b>Unknown</b>