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LETTER FROM THE CEO

Opting to forgo the rhetoric, let’s get right to the point of why we created this profile. It’s positive proof that Detroit is a powerhouse of intellectual capital.

Easy for me to say, I suppose, since I lead the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau in promoting this region as a leisure and meeting destination. I live and breathe the city’s ongoing momentum every day. See the increasing employment and housing figures. Talk to the people living and working here. Watch the local economy bloom from hidden alleyways, the large high-rises and small towns and communities.

It’s much harder to convince the meeting and convention planner who isn’t vested in this city why I can say this with such conviction. Why, in fact, it would be a downright disservice to any group or organization not to take a closer look at Detroit as the destination for their next meeting or event.

This profile is my voice and the voice of the people, businesses and infrastructure of Detroit, a city on the comeback. Dare I say, a city that has already come back in so many ways. It is a compilation of statistics, facts and figures that speak to Detroit’s intellectual capital and positioning as a rising meeting destination not to be ignored. And, as they say, numbers don’t lie.

More than the percentages and pie charts, I also want to impress that Detroit is still evolving. You will find that it is bursting with industry far beyond the automotive sector for which it is best known. It is fertile ground for those looking to move, relocate and start anew. You’ll also discover our changing demographic — which is skewing younger, more creative and independent in its thinking — creating a veritable playground of entrepreneurship. All of these emergent factors make Detroit a city with greater overall appeal and allure; one rich with landmark attractions, events and an unparalleled set of meeting assets. In all honesty, a city that just feels right — and ready.

My request is that you read this profile and clear your mind of all previous perceptions about Detroit. That you pause and think twice about our city before deciding on the location of your next event.

Make no mistake. Detroit is a powerhouse that’s healthy, growing and ready for more. Ready for you.

Larry D. Alexander, FASAE
PRESIDENT & CEO
DETROIT METRO CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Analysis: Workforce Intelligence Network
This profile introduces meeting planners to the raw data of Detroit and its growing business, academic, creative and cultural sectors. It sorts through the clutter, illustrating the tangible benefits of Detroit as a meeting destination with worldwide appeal — one that should never be dismissed.

The Detroit metropolitan area is comprised of three counties directly surrounding the city of Detroit in southeast Michigan: Wayne, Oakland and Macomb. In 2016, these three counties were home to nearly 4 million people and almost 2 million workers were employed in the region.

**ECONOMY OVERVIEW**

- Population (2016): 3,853,972
- Jobs (2016): 1,888,787
- Exports (2014): $233 B

**METRO DETROIT POPULATION**

3,853,972

**BUSINESS OWNERSHIP**

- Women-owned businesses: 41,234 (24%)
- Asian-owned businesses: 6,896 (4%)
- Hispanic-owned businesses: 3,028 (2%)
- African-American-owned businesses: 1,512 (1%)

**CONVENTION ASSETS**

3,285,105 sq. ft. of conference and meeting space in downtown Detroit; 4,289,002 sq. ft. of conference and meeting space in metro Detroit

13 conference and meeting venues in downtown Detroit; 42 conference and meeting venues in metro Detroit

Downtown Detroit is home to 14 major cultural attractions and 10 special event venues, including the Fox Theatre, Detroit Opera House, Michigan Science Center, Detroit Institute of Arts and Ford Field

The metro Detroit region also offers many cultural attractions, such as the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak, Meadow Brook in Rochester and The Henry Ford in Dearborn
LANDMARK EVENTS

Metro Detroit never lacks for variety and great itineraries of things to eat, do and see. Each of Detroit’s neighboring five destination districts — Dearborn/Wayne, Downtown Detroit, Greater Novi, Macomb and Oakland — has its own character and list of signature events, helping complete the diverse roster of the area’s extracurricular activities.

ANNUAL EVENTS

- **North American International Auto Show**
  January, naias.com

- **Plymouth Ice Festival**
  January, plymouthicefestival.com

- **Meridian Winter Blast**
  February, winterblast.com

- **Autorama**
  February, autorama.com

- **Movement Electronic Music Festival**
  May, movement.us

- **Chevrolet Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix**
  June, detroitgp.com

- **Ford Fireworks**
  June, theparade.org

- **African World Festival**
  August, thewright.org

- **Woodward Dream Cruise**
  August, woodwarddreamcruise.com

- **Michigan Renaissance Festival**
  August, michrenfest.com

- **Spirit of Detroit Hydrofest (APBA Gold Cup)**
  August, detroitboatraces.com

- **Michigan State Fair**
  September, michiganstatefairllc.com

- **Arts, Beats & Eats**
  September, artsbeatseats.com

- **Detroit Jazz Festival**
  September, detroitjazzfest.com

- **Detroit Free Press Talmer Bank Marathon**
  October, freepmarathon.com

- **America’s Thanksgiving Parade**
  November, theparade.org

- **The Big, Bright Light Show**
  December, downtownrochestermi.com

- **Holiday Nights in Greenfield Village**
  December, thehenryford.org
COBO CENTER

Cobo Center is downtown Detroit’s full-service convention space. It features 2.4 million square feet of usable space. Exhibit halls are flexible. Banquet rooms and executive meeting spaces are bright and friendly.

Cobo pairs its meeting accommodations with spectacular views of a restored international riverfront, on-site restaurants, a business service center and a convenient light-rail system station stop.

COBO CENTER MAJOR STATS

- 2.4 million square feet of total space
- A 40,000-square-foot Grand Riverview Ballroom, which can accommodate 3,500 theater-style or 2,250 for banquets
- A glass-enclosed events space with floor-to-ceiling views of the Detroit River and Windsor, Ontario, skyline
- An atrium that can host up to 1,200 people standing
- The redeveloped north entrance to Cobo Center now boasts the addition of two video walls; while the front entrance has been attractively remodeled
- In-house broadcast studio with video editing, sound stage, green room and satellite uplink
- Free Wi-Fi throughout facility
- Pod furniture, with charging stations, throughout facility
**SUBURBAN COLLECTION SHOWPLACE**

Suburban Collection Showplace is the largest privately owned exposition, conference and banquet center in Michigan. The facility features thousands of square feet of multipurpose exhibiting space, plus additional meeting rooms and a grand banquet and conference center with an elegantly appointed ballroom.* The Hyatt Place Hotel is connected to Suburban Collection Showplace, and features 124 guest rooms and two suites.

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**SUBURBAN COLLECTION SHOWPLACE MAJOR STATS**

- 320,000 square feet of meeting space
- 32 meeting rooms
- 25,000 square feet of pre-function lobby space
- 214,000 square feet of multipurpose exhibit floor
- 2,000 people maximum theater capacity seating
- 1,100 people maximum banquet capacity seating

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*A planned expansion is underway to give the location an additional 200,000 square feet of flexible event space, as well as more ballroom and conference options. The project is expected to be completed in fall 2017.

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**UNIQUE MEETING VENUES**

**THE HENRY FORD**

See JFK’s limo, Rosa Parks’ bus and thousands of uniquely American innovations.

- From 100-5,000 guest capacity
- Henry Ford Museum Plaza: 500 banquet style, 5,000 strolling
- Lovett Hall ballroom: Up to 300 guests

**THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**

Among the top 10 museums in the country, offering more than 100 galleries with art from ancient to modern times. See Diego Rivera's Detroit Industry murals.

- From 30-500 guest capacity
- Great Hall: Up to 500 guests
- Rivera Court: Up to 350 guests

**THE INN AT ST. JOHN’S**

This wonderful campus includes a luxury boutique hotel and a 27-hole golf course.

- 48,000 square feet of meeting space
- Connected 118-room hotel is AAA Four-Diamond rated

**EDSEL & ELEANOR FORD HOUSE**

The home of Henry Ford’s only child, Edsel Ford. A breathtaking 60-room Cotswold mansion with landscaped surrounding grounds.

- Visitor Center: From 10-200 guests (Under renovation through spring 2019)
- Up to 8,000 guest capacity on the grounds, depending on event location and parking needs

**DETROIT ZOO**

An animal lover’s paradise, the city’s zoo is situated on 125 acres.

- Polk Penguin Conservation Center: 170 seated, 200 strolling
- Wildlife Interpretive Gallery: 150 seated, 250 strolling
- Arctic Ring of Life: 50 seated, 75 strolling
CREATIVE AND DESIGN

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Famed art incubator Galapagos Art Space recently chose Detroit as its future home — leaving its longtime address in Brooklyn, New York — citing the city’s potential and influx of creatives.

In 2015, Detroit became the first American city to be named a UNESCO City of Design, an honor that recognizes a city’s design legacy and commitment to promote cultural and creative industries.

DID YOU KNOW?

97,492

metro Detroit workers were employed in creative and design industries in 2016

90%

Employer demand (job postings) in these industries has grown over the past five years

Creative and design industry employment is highly concentrated in metro Detroit, twice the national average (LQ = 2.22)
DETROIT'S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL

DEFENSE

Metro Detroit has been a center for the defense industry for more than 70 years with many manufacturing and related industries in the region contributing to national defense. The region’s machinery wholesalers and motor vehicle parts wholesalers provide for manufacturers of defense-related products, from navigation and communications equipment to chemical products, aerospace and ship and boat building.

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45,871 metro Detroit workers were employed in defense-related industries in 2016.

3.96 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 2.96 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy.

DEFENSE

HIGHER EDUCATION

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Employer demand (job postings) in the information technology industries has grown more than 40% over the past five years

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Computerworld ranked Quicken Loans in Detroit and Credit Acceptance in Southfield as the best IT workplaces in the U.S. in their designated categories.
Detroit may be best known as an automotive manufacturing town, but it’s also a city with a diverse set of manufacturers, from luxury bike builders and a growing legion of seamstresses and fashion designers to a host of medical manufacturers and wholesalers. The medical manufacturing sector in metro Detroit includes pharmaceutical manufacturers as well as manufacturers of medical equipment and supplies. Druggist merchant wholesalers are also included in this sector.

**Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings:**

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**MEDICAL SERVICES**

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PHILANTHROPY AND NONPROFIT

Metro Detroit is a breeding ground for philanthropic efforts that support sustainable food labs and urban farming to those that champion entrepreneurs and small business owners trying to get on their feet. Metro Detroit’s philanthropy and nonprofit sector is made up of religious, social advocacy and civic organizations. Services and businesses making and giving grants along with political organizations are also included in this sector.

Employer demand in the philanthropy and nonprofit industries in metro Detroit has increased 60% over the last five years, from 542 online job postings in 2011 to 869 in 2015.

27,619 metro Detroit workers were employed in the philanthropy and nonprofit industries in 2016.

30 percent of advertised wages in 2015 job postings were for $50,000+ a year, 20 percent were for $75,000+.

DID YOU KNOW?
The city of Detroit has teamed up with the nonprofit Greening of Detroit to plant tens of thousands of trees in two quarter-square-mile target districts in Detroit. Every vacant lot is being planted with trees or given another greening treatment, from rainwater gardens, sunflower fields or urban farms.
In the last decade, the number of college-educated under-35-year-olds taking up residence in Detroit has increased nearly 60 percent, with many of them finding careers in an array of professional services. This sector encompasses a large group of metro Detroit industries, including legal, accounting, management and consulting services. Other professional services industries in this sector are businesses related to insurance, real estate and office administration.

Employer demand (job postings) for workers in the professional services industries has increased more than 80% in the past five years, from 22,022 job postings in 2011 to 40,167 in 2015.

DID YOU KNOW?
It is estimated that a new idea for a startup is generated in Detroit every 27 minutes.
Michigan Economic Development Corporation

Downtown Detroit’s residential occupancy is 99 percent with waiting lists at almost every building.
detroitexperiencefactory.org

Employment in the professional services industries is 10% more concentrated in metro Detroit compared to the national average (LQ = 1.10)

This industry sector has added almost 20,000 jobs since the Great Recession, increasing 12 percent from 166,994 workers in 2009.
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Metro Detroit contributes to Michigan’s title as the Arsenal of Innovation, with one of the largest pools of engineers and technical professionals in the U.S. The research and development industries sector in metro Detroit includes all businesses in the region that provide scientific research and development services. This includes services related to physical sciences, engineering and life sciences as well as research in social sciences and humanities.

3.09 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 2.09 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy.

Employment in research and development industries is 127% more concentrated in metro Detroit compared to the national average (LQ = 2.27).

Employer demand in the research and development sector has grown 65% over the past five years, from 1,134 online job postings in 2011 to 1,868 in 2015.

For more detailed profiles and stats on the individual sectors, see the industry white papers.
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WHITE PAPERS

MORE DETAILS AND MORE PROOF DETROIT IS A POWERHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING WHITE PAPERS INCLUDE IN-DEPTH STATS FOR THESE INDUSTRIES:

- AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING
- CREATIVE AND DESIGN
- HIGHER EDUCATION
- DEFENSE
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- MEDICAL MANUFACTURING
- MEDICAL SERVICES
- PHILANTHROPY AND NONPROFIT
- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
- RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

This white paper introduces meeting planners to the raw data of Detroit’s growing automotive manufacturing sectors. It helps sort through the clutter, illustrating tangible benefits of Detroit as a meeting destination with worldwide appeal — one that should never be dismissed.

Not only is the Detroit region the birthplace of the automotive industry, it currently produces more vehicles than any other state in the country. Southeast Michigan also ranks No. 1 nationally for the number of advanced automotive industry jobs and businesses. The automotive manufacturing industry group includes foundries, forging and stamping companies, motor vehicle manufacturers, parts manufacturers and motor vehicle body manufacturers. This sector is a legacy industry group that continues to be a strong economic contributor to the area.

JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND
- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $72,141
- Employer demand (job postings) in these industries has grown 150 percent over the past five years
- Employer demand for automotive manufacturing jobs accounted for 4.3 percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

EMPLOYMENT
- 95,794 metro Detroit workers were employed in automotive manufacturing in 2016
- Employment in automotive manufacturing accounted for five percent of the region’s employment in 2016
- Automotive manufacturing employment is highly concentrated in the metro Detroit region, nearly 600 percent above the national average employment (LQ = 6.9)
- Employment in this sector has grown 32 percent since the end of the Great Recession in 2009

INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS
- 8.33 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 7.33 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 5.08 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional $4.08 is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.71 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 71 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

Automotive manufacturing employment is highly concentrated in metro Detroit, six hundred times the national average (LQ = 6.9)

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600%

5.08 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional $4.08 is earned in other sectors of the economy

+4.08

Data Sources: Burning Glass Technologies, Economic Modeling Specialists International
Analysis: Workforce Intelligence Network
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JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND
- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $66,398
- Employer demand (job postings) in these industries has grown 90 percent over the past five years
- Employer demand for creative and design industry jobs accounted for three percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

EMPLOYMENT
- 97,492 metro Detroit workers were employed in creative and design industries in 2016
- Employment in the creative and design industries accounted for five percent of the region’s employment in 2016
- Creative and design industry employment is highly concentrated in metro Detroit, twice the national average (LQ = 2.22)
- Employment in these industries has grown 42 percent since the end of the Great Recession in 2009

INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS
- 2.40 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 1.40 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 1.74 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 74 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.87 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 87 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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Employer demand (job postings) in these industries has grown 90% over the past five years

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DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: HIGHER EDUCATION INDUSTRY

HIGHER EDUCATION

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**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**

- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $48,462
- Employer demand (job postings) in 2015 was 30 percent higher than in 2011
- Employer demand for higher education industry jobs accounted for one percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

**EMPLOYMENT**

- Employment in the higher education industries is fairly stable in metro Detroit: 18,954 were employed in this industry cluster in 2009 and 18,614 were employed in 2016
- Employment in the higher education industries accounted for one percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**

- 2.08 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 1.08 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 1.60 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 60 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.85 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 85 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

Employer demand (job postings) in 2015 was 30% higher than in 2011

Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $48,462
DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: DEFENSE INDUSTRY

DEFENSE

This white paper introduces meeting planners to the raw data of Detroit’s contributions to defense industries. It helps sort through the clutter, illustrating tangible benefits of Detroit as a meeting destination with worldwide appeal — one that should never be dismissed.

Metro Detroit has been a center for the defense industry for more than 70 years with many manufacturing and related industries in the region contributing to national defense. The region’s machinery wholesalers and motor vehicle parts wholesalers provide for manufacturers of defense-related products, from navigation and communications equipment to chemical products, aerospace and ship and boat building.

**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**
- Employer demand in the defense industries has risen more than 96 percent over the past five years
- Employer demand for defense industry jobs accounted for one percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

**EMPLOYMENT**
- 45,871 metro Detroit workers were employed in defense-related industries in 2016
- Employment in defense industries accounted for two percent of the region’s total employment in 2016
- Defense industries have added more than 7,500 jobs in metro Detroit since 2009 (21 percent growth)

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**
- 3.96 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 2.96 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 2.35 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional $1.35 is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.79 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 79 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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+2.96
DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY

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**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**

- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $62,073
- 65 percent of advertised salaries (in 2015 job postings) were for $50,000+ a year, 31 percent were for $75,000+
- Employer demand (job postings) in the information technology industries has grown more than 40 percent over the past five years

**EMPLOYMENT**

- Employment in the information technology industries in metro Detroit has grown 25 percent since the Great Recession, from 40,503 employees in 2009 to 50,536 employees in 2016
- Employment in the information technology industries accounted for three percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**

- 2.99 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 1.99 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 2.13 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional $1.13 is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.83 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 83 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

**Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings:**

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DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: MEDICAL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

MEDICAL MANUFACTURING

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**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**

- Employer demand in the medical manufacturing industries in metro Detroit has more than doubled in the past five years, from 518 online job postings in 2011 to 1,153 in 2015
- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $70,399

**EMPLOYMENT**

- 6,172 metro Detroit workers are employed in medical manufacturing industries
- Employment in medical manufacturing industries accounted for less than one percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**

- 2.61 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 1.61 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 1.89 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 89 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.78 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 78 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**

- Employer demand (online job postings) has increased nearly 150 percent in the past five years, from 18,394 job postings in 2011 to 45,604 in 2015

- Employer demand for medical services industry jobs accounted for 11 percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $59,721

- 54 percent of advertised wages in 2015 job postings were for $50,000+ a year, 31 percent were for $75,000+

**EMPLOYMENT**

- 210,822 metro Detroit workers were employed in medical services industries in 2016

- Employment in medical services industries accounted for 11 percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

- Employment in the medical services industries is 25 percent more concentrated in metro Detroit than throughout the rest of the nation, on average (LQ = 1.25)

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**

- 1.93 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 0.93 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy

- 1.62 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 62 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy

- 1.83 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 83 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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PHILANTHROPY AND NONPROFIT

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Metro Detroit is a breeding ground for philanthropic efforts that support sustainable food labs and urban farming to those that champion entrepreneurs and small business owners trying to get on their feet. Metro Detroit’s philanthropy and nonprofit sector is made up of religious, social advocacy and civic organizations. Services and businesses making and giving grants along with political organizations are also included in this sector.

JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND

• Employer demand in the philanthropy and nonprofit industries in metro Detroit has increased 60 percent over the last five years, from 542 online job postings in 2011 to 869 in 2015

• Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $45,143

• 30 percent of advertised wages in 2015 job postings were for more than $50,000 a year, 20 percent were for more than $75,000

EMPLOYMENT

• 27,619 metro Detroit workers were employed in the philanthropy and nonprofit industries in 2016

• Employment in the philanthropy and nonprofit industries accounted for one percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS

• 1.55 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 0.55 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy

• 1.77 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 77 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy

• 1.85 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 85 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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Data Sources: Burning Glass Technologies, Economic Modeling Specialists International
Analysis: Workforce Intelligence Network
DETROIT’S INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INDUSTRY

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This white paper introduces meeting planners to the raw data of Detroit’s growing professional services sector. It helps sort through the clutter, illustrating tangible benefits of Detroit as a meeting destination with worldwide appeal — one that should never be dismissed.

In the last decade, the number of college-educated under-35-year-olds taking up residence in Detroit has increased nearly 60 percent, with many of them finding careers in an array of professional services. This sector encompasses a large group of metro Detroit industries, including legal, accounting, management and consulting services. Other professional services industries in this sector are businesses related to insurance, real estate and office administration.

**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**
- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $61,827
- 55 percent of advertised wages in 2015 job postings were for $50,000+ a year, 31 percent were for $75,000+
- Employer demand (job postings) for workers in the professional services industries has increased more than 80 percent in the past five years, from 22,022 job postings in 2011 to 40,167 in 2015
- Employer demand for professional services industry jobs accounted for 10 percent of all online job postings in the Detroit region in 2015

**EMPLOYMENT**
- Employment in the professional services industries is 10 percent more concentrated in metro Detroit compared to the national average (LQ = 1.10)
- 186,553 metro Detroit workers were employed in the professional services industries in 2016
- Employment in professional services industries accounted for 10 percent of the region’s total employment in 2016
- This industry sector has added almost 20,000 jobs since the Great Recession, increasing 12 percent from 166,994 workers in 2009

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**
- 2.79 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 1.79 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 1.93 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 93 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.88 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 88 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

This white paper introduces meeting planners to the raw data of Detroit’s growing research and development sectors. It helps sort through the clutter, illustrating tangible benefits of Detroit as a meeting destination with worldwide appeal — one that should never be dismissed.

Metro Detroit contributes to Michigan’s title as the Arsenal of Innovation, with one of the largest pools of engineers and technical professionals in the U.S. The research and development industries sector in metro Detroit includes all businesses in the region that provide scientific research and development services. This includes services related to physical sciences, engineering and life sciences as well as research in social sciences and humanities.

**JOB (EMPLOYER) DEMAND**
- Average advertised salary from 2015 job postings: $79,520
- 72 percent of advertised wages in 2015 job postings were for $50,000+, 52 percent were for $75,000+
- Employer demand in the research and design sector has grown 65 percent over the past five years, from 1,134 online job postings in 2011 to 1,868 in 2015

**EMPLOYMENT**
- Employment in research and development industries is 127 percent more concentrated in metro Detroit compared to the national average (LQ = 2.27)
- In 2016, 18,464 metro Detroit workers were employed in research and development jobs; a 55 percent increase from 2009
- Employment in research and development industries accounted for one percent of the region’s total employment in 2016

**INDUSTRY MULTIPLIERS**
- 3.09 jobs multiplier: For each job added to this industry group, an additional 2.09 jobs are added to other sectors throughout the economy
- 1.76 earnings multiplier: For each dollar of new earnings in this sector, an additional 76 cents is earned in other sectors of the economy
- 1.81 sales multiplier: For each dollar of new sales in this sector, an additional 81 cents is sold in other sectors of the economy

Employment in research and development industries is 127% more concentrated in the metro Detroit region compared to the national average (LQ = 2.27)

Employer demand in the research and development sector has grown 65 percent over the past five years, from 1,134 online job postings in 2011 to 1,868 in 2015