

# DETROIT NATIVE SUN

Enlightening the Community

## Gov. Whitmer announces transportation economic development grant that will support 150 new jobs in Detroit

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has awarded a state transportation economic development grant that will support 150 new jobs in the city of Detroit. The grant will help fund infrastructure improvements related to E.W. Grobbel Sons, Inc.'s new and expanded production facilities in Detroit's historic Eastern Market.

"E.W. Grobbel would like to thank MDOT and the City of Detroit for their support on our Dequindre expansion project within the Greater Eastern Market," said Jason Grobbel, president of E.W. Grobbel Sons, Inc. "We want to acknowledge the time, dedication, and hard work from everyone involved in making this project a reality. We thank you for identifying the opportunity of this development, and what it will generate for our community as a whole. This project will establish careers for many Detroiters. It will also attract future food processors, food suppliers, and other agricultural businesses. We are very excited to break ground and begin construction on this project."

"This is good news for our families, our businesses, and our economy as a whole. Every Michigander deserves to drive on our roads safely, without blowing a tire or cracking a windshield, and this partnership with Grobbel's will help us reach that goal while creating good jobs for Michigan workers," said Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. "I am pleased that we were able to work with this long-standing company, Eastern Market, and the City of Detroit to support the road improvements necessary for Grobbel's new facility, and I will continue working with everyone who wants to create Michigan jobs and improve our state's infrastructure. Let's get to work."

E.W. Grobbel Sons, Inc. was founded in Detroit in 1883 and is the country's oldest and largest certified corned beef processor. The company ships product countrywide to some of the nation's biggest restaurant groups.

Located in Detroit's Eastern Market, Grobbel's needed to expand its operations into a more modern facility to meet increasing demand for its various meat products. Grobbel's considered building its new facility closer to cattle farming operations but in-

stead chose to maintain its 140-year presence in the city of Detroit.

The company will invest \$25 million in the new facility and hire an additional 150 employees. This is the first phase of a planned two-phase project. The investment will be supported by a Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) Category A grant of \$303,127, at a private/public investment ratio of 82:1.

The Eastern Market Corp. (EMC) recognized in its strategic plan that current food processing facilities in the market area are in need of modernization and expansion. To meet the demand for increased development space, the EMC accumulated land in a former largely vacant residential neighborhood to the northeast of the current Eastern Market footprint. Grobbel's will locate its new facility in this area on St. Aubin Street between Illinois Street and Superior Street. St. Aubin Street is in poor condition and in need of resurfacing to accommodate the anticipated increased traffic from Grobbel's expansion. Illinois Street and Superior Street have been virtually abandoned and out of service for years. Both streets require to be rebuilt to be brought back into service.

This TEDF grant will help support work that includes resurfacing St. Aubin Street from Mack Avenue to Superior Street, rebuilding Superior Street from St. Aubin to the Dequindre Railway to provide truck ingress to the proposed Grobbel's facility, and rebuilding Illinois Street from St. Aubin to the Dequindre Railway to provide truck egress from the proposed Grobbel's facility.

The total project cost is \$1,775,253, including \$303,127 in TEDF Category A funding and \$1,472,126 from the City of Detroit in matching funds. The TEDF Category A share of construction is \$303,127, or 100 percent, of the participating costs for section 1. The City of Detroit will be providing \$75,782 for non-construction project-related costs. In addition, the City of Detroit will be providing \$1,396,344 in match for building sections 2 and 3, as well as \$397,173 for non-participating construction costs for rebuilding the sidewalks.

More information about the program is available online at [www.Michigan.gov/TEDF](http://www.Michigan.gov/TEDF).

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Looking for a mature reliable individual to assist with writing and sending out press releases, making and returning phone calls and performing clerical duties for a national organization. Salary negotiable. Call James Ford at (586)918-3061.

### Copywriter/Content Manager - 10659396

The ideal candidate is a strong writer who can channel the thoughts and feelings of the target customer. Do you have a knack for making the mundane seem extraordinary? Can you craft a message that connects with readers? We're seeking a Copywriter with a marketing mind, one who can adopt a voice and tone that's on-brand and convincing. Projects include blogging, script writing, content strategy, website copy writing and social media content writing. The candidate must be willing to learn search engine optimization (SEO). Spreadsheet prowess is a plus, as well as an analytical mind. Our content marketing team is chock-full of ex-journalists, copy editors and communication specialists. If you're an experienced writer with a willingness to learn, we strongly encourage you to apply for this opportunity. Duties include: Write website and blog content quickly and accurately. Proof copy for spelling, grammar and clarity. Work across departments on social media content and video. Develop short-term and long-term content strategies. Become proficient with search marketing tools. Collect and analyze data to inform content strategies. Monitor, analyze and report on web traffic performance. Educate clients and colleagues on latest search marketing trends. Applicants must have: Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written. At least two years of content creation experience. A keen eye for clean deliverables and consistent formatting. Interest in learning search engine optimization, including technical and data analysis skills. A great sense of humor is a plus. This position offers a competitive salary and benefits along with an amazing opportunity for those who have a passion for our industry. We offer a rewarding and casual, yet professional, work environment in The Village at Grand Traverse Commons - Traverse City, Michigan. If interested, please submit your resumé, portfolio and cover letter to [jobs@oneupweb.com](mailto:jobs@oneupweb.com) and visit our website at [www.oneupweb.com](http://www.oneupweb.com) to learn more about our business and culture. And one more thing: You must be willing to relocate to the Traverse City area.

### Assembly Operator - 10934272

AKASOL is a leading developer and manufacturer of liquid-cooled and rechargeable high-performance lithium-ion ("Li-Ion") battery systems for a wide range of applications, such as buses, commercial vehicles, rail vehicles, marine, industrial vehicles, and stationary applications. Work location: Hazel Park, MI Hours: 7:00 a - 3:30 p Days: Monday - Friday Wage: \$15.00 per hr. Benefits start on the first day. 401k retirement benefit with employer contribution. Funds are vested once an employee starts contributions of 4%. COVID safety

practices - Social Distancing and Masks: Assembly Operators work socially distanced. When employees move within the facility they are required to wear masks. Duties include: The Assembly Operator will assemble battery systems. Assembly may require the use of simple hands tools with/without power or special assembly tools. The work is performed on an assembly line.

Qualifications: High School diploma or equivalent required. Experience working in a manufacturing environment, preferably automotive. Interest in electrical engineering processes. General experience in production processes. Detail oriented and consistent. Must be able to work on a team. Work independently, accurately, and precisely. Good interpersonal and communication skills. Must be able to frequently lift up to 30 lbs. Ability to frequently bend, reach, or twist. Prolonged standing or walking. Must wear personal protective equipment such as company-provided shirts, gloves, and face mask. We offer: Health benefits, 401K, paid time off, and paid holidays. TO APPLY: MUST USE GOOGLE CHROME BROWSER - On a cell phone, use or add Google Chrome app. Paste link. (On a desktop, may need to click near the top of the page "English." Apply at <https://bit.ly/2Oasnex>

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### Assembly Operators - 10966797

Assembly Operator wanted. Starting pay \$16.50/hr. Temp to Hire in Novi, MI Kelly Services has immediate openings for this great opportunity to get your career started in automotive assembly. Must be Mechanically inclined, Able to occasionally lift 30 pounds and have Assembly experience. Must wear steel toes. Covid safety precautions enforced. Call or text 586-434-0294 today. We need motivated people immediately. Refer a friend!

### Assembly Production Associate - 11091705

Assembly Production Associate wanted. Responsible for production, quality, scrap, housekeeping and safety at their workstation. Review and sign all communications at beginning of shift (i.e. What's New Board, Quality Alerts, etc.) Ensure work instructions are present, signed off, up-to-date, and followed at all times. Complete Operator Start-up Checklist. If acceptable, post green OK To Run sign at work station. Ensure all product meets current quality standards. Complete production, scrap, and downtime sheets as required/ Ensure housekeeping and safety standards are maintained. Make suggestions for Continuous Improvement. Qualifications: Average or better on UltradexSpecific Test and high rating on all elements of Accuracy Test. Pass 1st and 2nd interview Email your Resume to: [sabdulmalek@mhrdi.org](mailto:sabdulmalek@mhrdi.org)



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