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# Millions ANNOUNCED

# for Saginaw County



Kremin, Inc.'s Saginaw Charter Township facility is located at 2926 Universal Dr.

## **GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES FOR KREMIN**

http://kremininc.com

Kremin, Inc. is building a much needed larger production facility in the Frankenmuth Business Park. The approximately 19,000 sq. ft. location will be the first tenant and anchor business in the park. Investment is estimated at \$2 million and will create 25 new jobs. The company is a dual ISO 9001:2008 and 13485:2003 certified contract manufacturer serving customers in the Aerospace, Defense, Energy, Transportation, Dimensional Stone, and other industries. Kremin's Saginaw Charter Township location received an inventory loan from the Saginaw County Revolving Loan Fund, which is administered by SFI. This supplemental working capital support is a result of sustained growth and expansion. Kremin recently expanded distribution of its Onyx Tools to Europe, Australia and New Zealand. Demand in these new markets and continued strong demand in the North American market is driving Kremin to carry increased inventory and stock of its CNC tool holders and products.



The Frankenmuth Business Park is located at 5000 S. Gera Road (M-83 or N. Main St.) in the City of Frankenmuth.

## **BUSINESS PARK MOVES FORWARD**

www.frankenmuth.biz

The City of Frankenmuth and Frankenmuth Economic Development Corporation are developing the Frankenmuth Business Park at 5000 S. Gera Rd. The City purchased 15.1 acres in 2002 through an agreement with Frankenmuth Township and is preparing its first tenant - Kremin, Inc. (story above). Development of the Park infrastructure will include an extension of water lines, sanitary sewer lines, an access road (called Keystone Way), storm water management controls and modification of M-83. The Michigan Economic Development Corporation approved nearly \$250,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds and the City of Frankenmuth will contribute \$583,345 to the project. SFI is providing project assistance for Kremin's infrastructure grant and administrative services to the City. The remaining land will be available for development. For more information contact Sheila Stamiris at 989-652-9901 or email sstamiris@frankenmuthcity.com



# STAR OF THE

www.starofthewest.com



Star of the West's Gera facility is located at 2416 S. Gera Road in Frankenmuth Township.

Star of the West Milling Company made a \$1.2 million investment in new storage facilities at its Frankenmuth Township location. The company has expanded the storage facilities several times over the past few years including a \$2.2 million investment in 2008, and \$705,000 in 2009. The corporate office in the City of Frankenmuth also grew and was renovated in 2009 and 2010, which eventually totaled over \$5.5 million in improvements. The company's overall daily flour milling capacity makes it the 17th largest miller in the U.S. One of its major clients is the nationally known Kellogg's cereal company of Battle Creek.

## **COVENANT GLEN**

www.covenanthealthcare.com www.wirtrivettegroup.com



Covenant Glen of Frankenmuth is located at 1040 Covenant Lan in the City of Frankenmuth.

In partnership, the Wirt-Rivette Group, KEVA Investments and Covenant HealthCare recently broke ground on the living community of Covenant Glen of Frankenmuth. Scheduled to open in the Spring of 2014, the 35,000 sq. ft. facility will be comprised of 45 rooms, 15 dedicated to memory care and 30 assisted living beds. This \$5 million investment aims to provide residents of Covenant Glen the support and independence they need to enjoy a worry-free life. The facility operations will be managed through Johnsha Corporation, under the leadership of John Czarnecki and will have 35 full and part-time employees.

## FIRSTMERIT BANK EVENT PARK OPENS

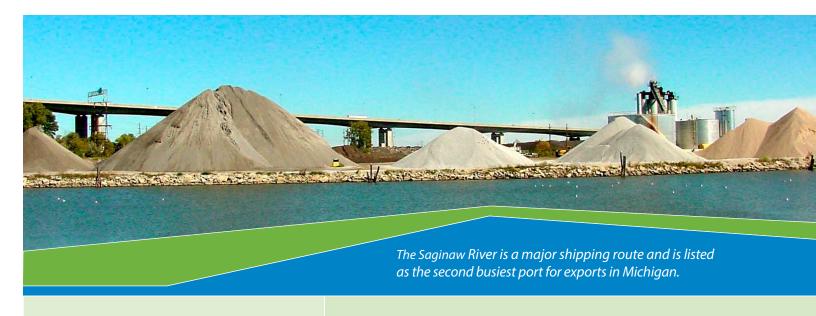
www.doweventcenter.com



The FirstMerit Bank Event Park is located at 300 Johnson St. across from TheDow Event Center in Downtown Saginaw.

The FirstMerit Bank Event Park recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony, which was quickly followed by two successful events - the Michigan Rock 'n Rib Fest and Saginaw Wonderfest. The 5,500-seat Event Park provides both pavilion and lawn seating and will feature the upcoming Fall In for Arts and Sol on September 28th.Acting on a request from the County of Saginaw, SFI continues to assist the Building Authority and TheDow Event Center (SMG staff) to secure final funding in support of the project. SMG will manage the venue and be responsible for booking, planning, marketing and facility maintenance.

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## **EMERGENCY DREDGING TO CLEAR RIVER**

www.lre.usace.army.mil/Missions/Operations/SaginawRiver,MI.aspx The U.S.Army Corps of Engineers approved \$1.2 million in emergency dredging to re-open the Saginaw River to shipping. This year's heavy spring rains sent sediment down the river and restricted shipping to and from businesses in Saginaw County and the Region. Dock owners, the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce and SFI, asked Congressional and State Legislative Delegations to support decisive action for emergency dredging. In addition, six State Department Heads encouraged immediate assistance and the Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance also supported the funding request.

## SFI SUPPORTS FIREWORKS

## www.saginawareafireworks.com

The Saginaw City Manager requested that SFI assist in securing funds to support public safety costs related to the Saginaw Area Fireworks, a local non-profit, which has been putting on a large fireworks display to celebrate Independence Day for more than 20 years. SFI met with Fireworks representatives, as well as FirstMerit Bank and the Saginaw Community Foundation. After preparing a funding application, the City received grant funds to support the project. An estimated 90,000 people surrounded the Holland Bridge and floated in boats on the Saginaw River.

## **NEW MACHINERY FOR CIGNYS**

### www.cignys.com

CIGNYS Corporation invested more than \$250,000 in new machinery at its Shields location. With three Saginaw County facilities, CIGNYS added hydraulic bandsaws, a robotic welder and a spinner blast machine. The machinery is needed to update and replace older equipment with newer technologies. The new equipment will help the company increase efficiencies and competitiveness. Founded in 1919, CIGNYS Corporation is ISO 9001:2000 Registered: AS9100 Registered and ITAR (International Traffic in Arms Regulations) Registered.



The Great Lakes Tech Park micro-website and videos have been launched! Go to www.GreatLakesTechnologyPark.com for more information

## SFI & REGION HOSTS DELEGATIONS

www.visitgreatlakesbay.org



SFI hosted a delegation of 24 business, education and government leaders from China's Guizhou Province, along with representatives from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC). SFI spoke on the Great Lakes Bay Region and investment opportunities. SFI partnered with the Great Lakes Bay Regional CVB and provided flash drives with information on SFI, sites and buildings, available support and quality of life amenities. SFI also hosted Peter Fischer, Minister and head of Economic Affairs for the German Embassy, who met with the Mayor of Frankenmuth and dined with the Zehnder family.

## "SOLAR READY" COMMUNITIES www.cec-mi.org



With support from the MEDC, the Aggregate Solar Purchasing Initiative aims to advance solar through aggregating the purchase of small- to medium- scale PV systems. Bulk purchase savings will decrease the per watt cost of solar, benefit the environment and may provide economic gain for the Region, which is home to several solar-related manufacturers. An ideal candidate would be a commercial, industrial, or nonprofit property that was recently built/ remodeled or has recently undergone energy efficiency measures. Contact Mark Rabinsky of the Clean energy Coalition at 734-585-5720 ext. 24 or email mark@cec-mi.org.

## AGGREGATE SOLAR PURCHASING

IN BALLER DE CONTRACT

www.michigan.gov/energyoffice



In 2012, the Clean Energy Coalition (CEC) led a pilot project funded by the MEDC to identify barriers of solar adoption by commercial and residential property owners in the City of Midland, City of Saginaw, Thomas Township, and Williams Township. Information Access, Permitting Process and Planning and Zoning were identified as areas to streamline for municipal readiness. The Michigan Energy Office granted funds to the CEC in 2013 to implement the recommendations in the pilot communities, and create a template that could eventually be expanded to the entire State of Michigan.



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# **NEWS AND INITIATIVES**







## MILLIONS IN CONTRACTS

www.SaginawFuture.com

The Saginaw Future Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) assisted six regional companies attain nearly \$5 million in government contracts in the second quarter of 2013. The companies included hospitality providers, medical device manufacturers, defense contractors and advanced manufacturing. The PTAC educates businesses through formalized seminars and specific one-on-one consultations, and assisted 11 new clients with initial counseling sessions this quarter. The Saginaw Future PTAC provides no fee assistance to businesses interested in filling federal, state and local government contracts.

## STAY INFORMED ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Saginaw Future Inc. maintains an active presence through traditional and social media. Stay informed on Saginaw County and Regional expansion and attraction projects, new economic development initiatives, business opportunities and development tools.

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SAGINAW FUTURE INC. 2013 PERFORMANCE REPORT				
	2013 Goal	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	<b>YTD Total</b>
Business Expansions	25	4	4	8
<b>Businesses Attracted</b>	5	3	1	4
Jobs Created and Retained	1,000	353	149	502
Clients Awarded Contracts	30	8	7	14
Value of Contracts	\$19.5 M	\$5.9 M	\$4.7 M	\$10.6 M
Value of New Investment	NGE	\$25.13 M	\$10.21 M	\$35.34 M

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