



GVMC Presents Regional Cooperation at The Right Place Investor Breakfast

At a recent attendance record-setting Right Place Investor Breakfast I had the opportunity to discuss our regional efforts.

Lt. Governor Brian Calley began the meeting with a discussion of the Regional Prosperity Initiative and why regional collaboration and cooperation is important. He praised the work being completed in our area by both the Grand Valley Metro Council, West Michigan Prosperity Alliance, and the Right Place.

After his introductory comments, Rick Chapla of The Right Place and I presented GVMC and the many successful initiatives of both GVMC and the Regional Prosperity Alliance. We discussed our organization, goals and the projects and programs we are actively working to finance and promote.

We received many positive comments from those in attendance

including some from GVMC members. Below you find a few of those comments:

Thank you for your informative presentation at the Right Place Quarterly Investors' Breakfast meeting. It is encouraging to hear of the work of GVMC and its significant collaboration with the Right Place to promote the overall health and economic vibrancy of West Michigan. This is exactly the type of cooperation that reassures us at the County that as a broader community of concerned public and private entities we can successfully resolve the issues that challenge us. Keep up the good work.

Stan Stek,
Sixth District
Kent County Commissioner

The first Right Place Investor's Meeting of 2016 had a record turnout with Lt. Governor Brian

Calley. It was a great opportunity to celebrate the economic growth accomplishments of 2015, and the group was impressed with the presentation by our own GVMC Executive Director John Weiss on the leadership success of West Michigan with the Regions of Prosperity initiative.

Michael J. DeVries, Supervisor
Grand Rapids Charter Township.

Great upbeat meeting including a great presentation by John promoting the Grand Valley Metro Council, and the West Michigan Prosperity Region. Just the perfect motivation on a dreary February day. Proud of the leadership in West Michigan.

Alex Arends, Supervisor
Alpine Township

