



## Governor Snyder Meets with GVMC and Regional Prosperity Alliance Boards

This morning we held a joint meeting of the GVMC Board of Directors along with our West Michigan Prosperity Alliance Steering Committee and guests.. Governor Rick Snyder was our speaker and congratulated the group on the progress we are making in the area of cooperation and collaboration in West Michigan.

The meeting was held at the Seidman Center at Grand Valley State University and we want to thank President Haas and GVSU for their continued support of our initiatives. They are truly a great partner in our regional efforts.

Approximately 100 leaders from throughout West Michigan attended the event to hear the Governor's comments and ask questions. I will have more about the meeting and additional information in coming editions of the Weekly Update. This is the first time a Governor has attended our GVMC or Regional Prosperity Board Meeting. We are pleased he was able to join us this morning.



## West Michigan Prosperity Alliance Update

The West Michigan Prosperity Alliance met last week in Ludington. Progress continues to be made on our regional cooperation and collaboration efforts and development of the West Michigan Prosperity Plan. Over 50 attended the meeting with over 60 including Ludington area business and governmental leaders attended a reception following the meeting.

The next step is the nomination and development of 5 projects of Significant Regional Economic Importance. The Steering Committee along with 180 participants from our region at the Governor's Economic Summit developed criteria for determining priority projects. Those include: long term impact and sustainability, regional impact, ability to provide employment opportunities, recognizes the region's strengths and challenges, promotes and supports public and private partnerships.

Project nomination forms are available at [www.gvmc.org](http://www.gvmc.org) or by contacting Dave Bee at [dbee@wmrpsc.org](mailto:dbee@wmrpsc.org)

