



Education Peer Group

| **Welcome!**





WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Pamela Jackson, Secretary,
OCC Board of Trustees**

Agenda:

1. SEMCOG Updates
2. Input on SEMCOG's 2027-2028 Legislative Policy Platform
3. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
4. Tour of Oakland Community College Culinary Studies Institute



SEMCOG PEER GROUPS INITIATIVE

- Providing space for collaboration & knowledge sharing
- Connecting peers to information & resources
- Ensuring needs & challenges are heard & recognized in regional planning
- Working with federal & state partners to ensure priorities & resources reflect the unique needs of all communities



SEMCOG Updates

- Engaging Students in Regional Planning
- Connecting peers to information & resources specific to their needs & challenges
- Future Projects

2030 Local Updates to Census Addresses (LUCA)



Knowing where to count people: Local Update to Census Addresses (LUCA)

- The Census Address List is how the Census Bureau:
 - identifies where people live.
 - knows where to contact people for census counts in households or group quarters, such as nursing facilities and assisted living facilities.
 - knows where to conduct non-response follow-up and other data operations for a complete count.



Why LUCA Matters

- There is only one time to get the census right—and we need to start now, by updating the Census Bureau’s Address List in the LUCA operation.
- An accurate census count depends on an accurate address list.
- Two reasons why LUCA matters even more in 2030 than it did in 2020:
 - **Declining participation in federal surveys**
 - **Declining population**



LUCA Process and Timeline

2026 – EARLY 2027

LUCA Groundwork: Local governments should identify census blocks for priority address review in their jurisdiction and start building or updating the local address list for those priority blocks.

MAY 2027 – AUGUST 2027

LUCA Invitation, Training, and Preparation: Register for LUCA and conduct a block level address count comparisons.

OCTOBER 2027 – MARCH 2028

LUCA Review: submit suggestions to add, delete, or update the geographic location of residential addresses.

AUGUST 2028 – MARCH 2029

Feedback and Appeals: Local governments receive address-level feedback on how their submissions are incorporated into the Census Address List and have the option to submit appeals.



SEMCOG resources for communities to conduct LUCA

- Interactive web-based mapping application:
 - visualize housing unit change from 2020 census to latest available data
 - compare Census Bureau's housing unit counts with SEMCOG housing unit estimates derived from current buildings data at census block level
 - View the locations of group quarters (GQ) facilities throughout the region
- Staff support for member communities requiring technical assistance or additional guidance



Legislative Update

RECENT ADVOCACY EFFORTS AND TASK FORCE INPUT

Federal Legislative Update

Massive changes are being proposed to the Uniform Grants Regulation, Part 2, CFR 200

Scan the QR code to learn more information about proposed rule changes and view a comment template





State Legislative Update

- Budget passed on July 3, 2026

K-12

- Per-pupil foundation allowance increases 2.5% (\$250) to \$10,300 per student.
- Introduces a weighted per-pupil funding formula for English language learners (ELL) and economically disadvantaged students.
- Districts may use either the current-year pupil count or a three-year average enrollment, whichever is greater, to determine state funding.
- Provides \$202 million to continue the universal free breakfast and lunch program.

Higher Education

- \$378.2 million for community college operations, a 1.0% increase.
- \$532 million for the Michigan Achievement Scholarship, an increase of \$232 million.
- Michigan Reconnect received an additional \$25 million, a 59.5% increase, to support expansion of the program to adults ages 21 through 24.
- Includes \$40 million for a new dual enrollment reimbursement program to cover eligible student dual enrollment costs.

Legislative Policy Platform Task Force

Prior to each new session of Congress and Michigan's Legislature, SEMCOG forms a Legislative Policy Platform Task Force to guide development of a new policy platform.



2027-2028 TASK FORCE CHAIRS

Legislative Policy Platform



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Task Force Timeline

- July/August 2026 – Peer Group input discussions
- **July 17, 2026 – Task Force Meeting #1**
 - Introductions, task force objective, breakout groups to share initial feedback
- August 2026 – Task Force Policy review
- **September 14, 2026 – Task Force Meeting #2**
 - Review all policies, develop needed/missing policies
- October 2026 – SEMCOG Staff draft platform policies, legislative priorities document
- **November 9, 2026 – Task Force Meeting #3**
 - Final review of legislative platform policies and priorities document
 - Recommendation to Executive Committee
- **December 4, 2026 – Presentation to Executive Committee for approval**



Input Discussion

- What are some of the most important state budget line items to your organization or schools?
- What can the state do better to prepare students for the workforce? (e.g. more technical training options in K12, increasing post-secondary affordability, etc.)
- What opportunities for collaboration can the legislature support between K12 and community colleges?
- What non-budget-related legislation are you closely tracking right now?



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Talent and Economic Development

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Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

- A place-based, regionally driven economic development planning process.
- Regions must update their CEDS at least every five years to qualify for EDA assistance – **conduit for resources to the region.**



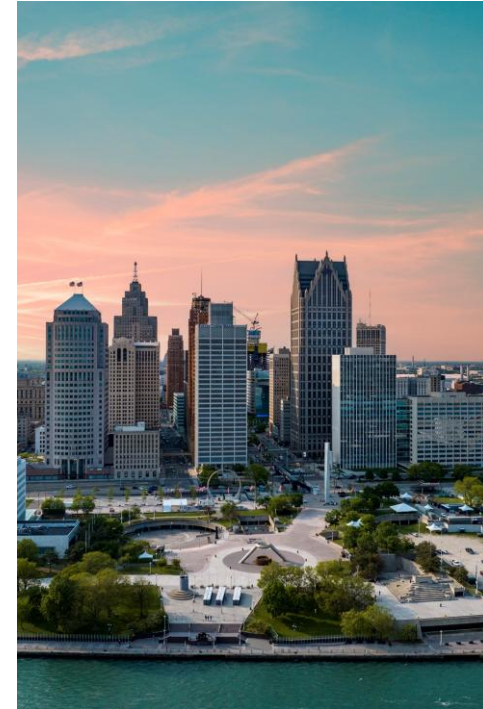
Pillars of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy



GREAT PLACES



REGIONAL
PROSPERITY



ECONOMIC
RESILIENCE

Great Places



*When people and businesses look to locate, remain, or grow, they look beyond the site, the neighborhood, community, or even the county. **They look to the region for the collection and variety of places, assets and attributes that make a place most attractive to providing a high quality of life.***

Key Issues & Considerations

- Economic Diversification
- Critical Infrastructure
- Data Centers
- Freight & International Supply Chains
- Hazard Mitigation & Preparedness



Economic Resilience

*Economic development planning or implementation projects that **enhance the ability of an area to withstand and recover from adverse short-term or long-term changes in economic conditions**, including effects from industry contractions or economic impacts from natural disasters.*

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Regional Prosperity



*Regional Prosperity is focused on **ensuring people can actively and successfully participate in the economy.** Growing regional prosperity is dependent upon creating and sustaining a globally competitive business climate that drives investment and innovation.*

Key Issues & Considerations

- Wealth Creation
- Talent in Southeast Michigan
 - Building the Future Talent Pipeline
 - Preparing for the Future of Work
 - Barriers to Labor Force Participation
 - Addressing Talent Needs During Economic Transition
- Growing the Region's Innovation Ecosystem
- Small Businesses & Entrepreneurship
- Small Towns & Rural Economic Development





REGIONAL PROSPERITY: CORE STRATEGIES

Cultivating a Globally
Competitive Business
Environment



Supporting Entrepreneurship
and Small Business Growth

Aligning Talent Development
with Workforce Needs



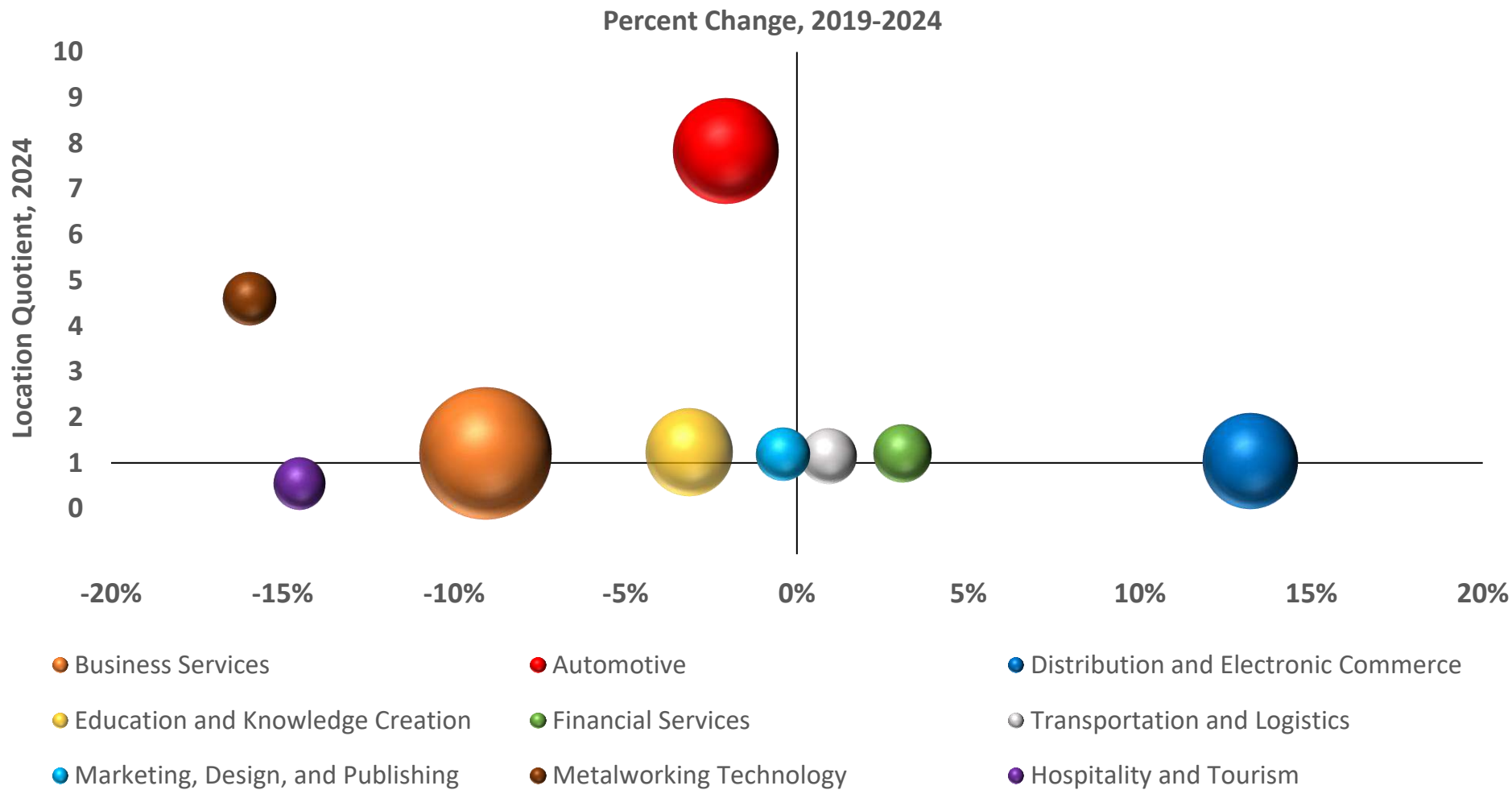
Promoting Upward
Economic Mobility

Wage & Salary Employment by Industry, Southeast Michigan 2019-2024

	2019	2024	Change, 2019-2024	
			Numeric	Percent
Natural Resources, Mining, & Construction	81,831	93,161	11,330	13.8%
Manufacturing	269,538	255,822	-13,716	-5.1%
Wholesale Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	174,905	189,462	14,557	8.3%
Retail Trade	223,219	210,120	-13,099	-5.9%
Information & Financial Activities	142,630	142,009	-621	-0.4%
Professional & Technical Services	214,830	202,098	-12,732	-5.9%
Management of Companies	50,265	46,724	-3,541	-7.0%
Administrative & Waste Services	131,093	114,615	-16,478	-12.6%
Private Education & Health Services	337,366	348,810	11,444	3.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	217,787	205,342	-12,445	-5.7%
Other Services	64,670	63,649	-1,021	-1.6%
Government	262,856	269,559	6,703	2.6%
Unclassified or Suppressed Employment	6,727	10,060	3,333	49.5%
Total	2,177,717	2,151,431	-26,286	-1.2%

Source: SEMCOG analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

Southeast Michigan Traded Clusters, 2019–2024



Source: SEMCOG analysis of Chmura's JobsEQ data



Four Main Scenarios Affecting Talent

- Building the Future Talent Pipeline
- Preparing for the Future of Work
- Barriers to Labor Force Participation
- Addressing Talent Needs During Economic Transition

Talent Strategies

- Career Exposure, Preparation and Pipelines for building the future workforce
- Upskilling/Training –for Economic Transitions, Technology and Artificial Intelligence
- Addressing Barriers through student supports and wraparound services
- Focus on Lifelong Learning in a changing economic, workforce and education environment.



Small Business and Entrepreneurship

- Half the state's workforce
- Business support programs
- Access to capital
- Training and financial literacy
- Leveraging automotive and mobility strengths
- Streamlining permitting & licensing
- Updating regulations to facilitate small business growth



Share your Feedback on Today's Meeting



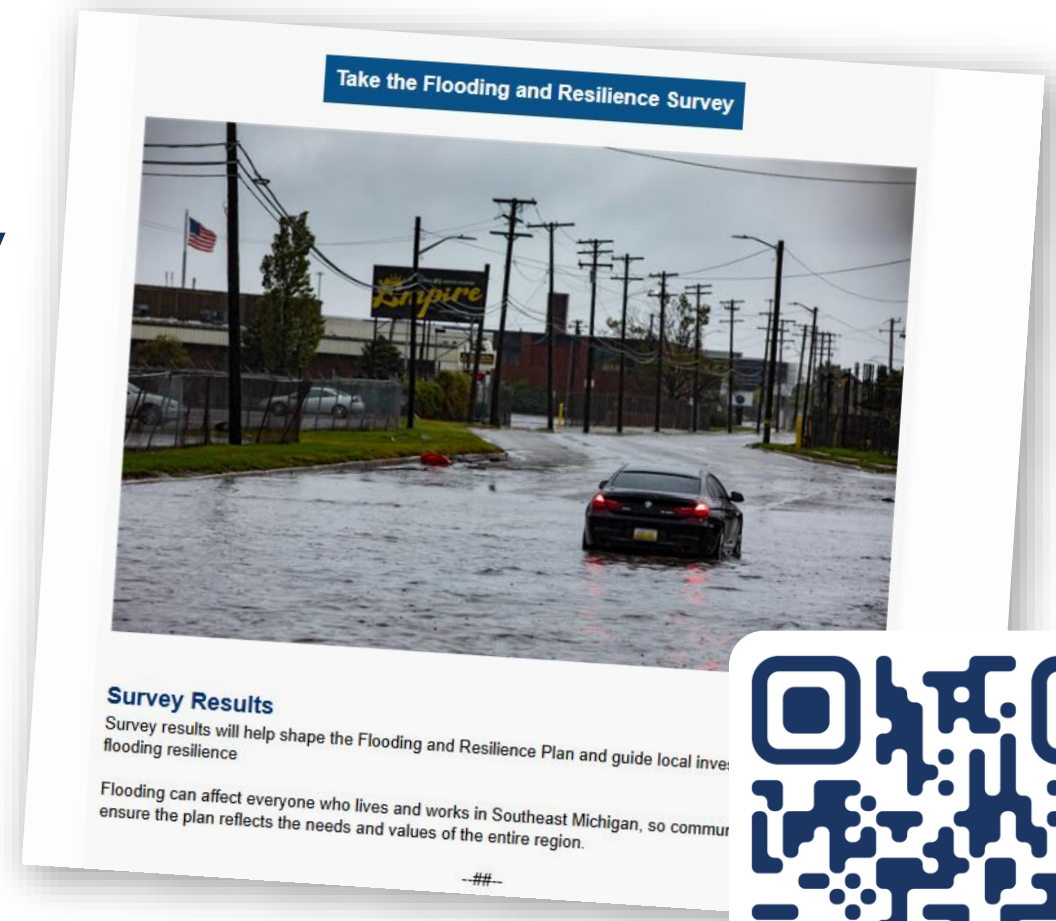


Upcoming Meetings/Workshops

- **July 15** | Suburban Peer Group
- **July 16** | SEM U: State and Federal Financing Tools to Support Housing Needs
- **July 21** | SEM U: Murals and Public Art
- **July 29** | Rural Peer Group
- **July 30** | Small Peer Group
- **August 5** | Urban Peer Group
- **August 20** | SEM U: Housing for Everyone

Flooding and Resilience Survey

- Shape the plan to help guide investments in resilience strategies
- Understand how flooding impacts residents across the region
- Prioritize efforts to build resilience
- What communities need to build resilience to flood events



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