



The Honorable Gretchen Whitmer

Governor

P.O. Box 30013

Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Whitmer,

On behalf of Elzinga & Volkers Construction Professionals, I would like to express our appreciation for the workforce development services provided by West Michigan Works! Elzinga & Volkers is a medium sized general contractor who has a number of self-perform trades divisions, ranging from sitework, to concrete, to carpentry, and more.

I connected with West Michigan Works! because I needed assistance with developing our existing workforce. We have many early-career employees who have a desire to grow their skillset in the trades. This growth helps an employer like Elzinga & Volkers Construction Professionals to counteract the shortage of skilled trades workers and these employees are now better suited to work on our projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rachel Austin'.

Rachel Austin

Director of Corporate Trades

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