

State Transportation Commission

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Overview

- **Welcome Center Playgrounds**
- **Local Jobs Today Update**

Welcome Center Playgrounds

- Michigan is the first state to build accessible playgrounds in welcome centers
 - Two built in Michigan
 - New Buffalo
 - Monroe



Partnerships



**W.K. KELLOGG
FOUNDATION**



**ABLE
TO
PLAY**

Ground Breaking



Monroe Site

New Buffalo Site



Monroe Welcome Center Construction Zone



New Buffalo Welcome Center Construction Zone



Construction Video Clip



Finishing Touches



Projects Completed

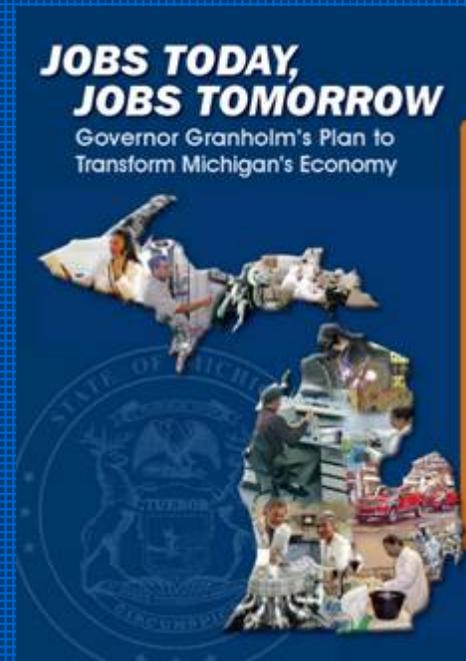


New Buffalo Ribbon Cutting



Local Jobs Today Update

- MDOT received applications from CRAM and MML on June 28
- Governor Granholm announced Jobs Today awards on July 25



Local Jobs Today

- Local Jobs Today Funds Awarded
 - CRAM
 - FY 2006 - \$ 2,219,685
 - FY 2007 - \$25,061,489
 - MML
 - FY 2006 - \$ 2,533,320
 - FY 2007 - \$13,270,730
- Funding Letters
- Grade Inspections

