

GOVERNOR GRANHOLM'S PLAN TO GROW OUR ECONOMY, SECURE OUR FUTURE:
OVERALL ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR MICHIGAN

GOVERNOR GRANHOLM HAS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO CREATE JOBS AND BOOST MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY

She will "go anywhere and do anything" to create, retain, and grow jobs in Michigan. And, she is fighting hard to protect our families and educate our children. Governor Granholm puts Michigan first.

GROWING THE ECONOMY

The Governor is going anywhere and doing anything to create jobs for Michigan workers, and direct action by her administration is convincing major corporations to create jobs and expand in Michigan. Keebler relocated its headquarters from Illinois to Battle Creek. Toyota is putting 400 people to work in York Township at its new Technical Center. When manufacturing jobs left Greenville for Mexico, Governor Granholm stepped in and helped convince United Solar Ovonic to open a new manufacturing facility there. The Governor has met face to face with businesses from across the country and around the world – and her leadership is paying off. Her investment missions to Japan have attracted more than 1,030 new jobs and more than \$200 million in new investment from Japanese companies. But the Governor knows we have a lot more to do to create good paying jobs so our kids can stay in Michigan and work in Michigan. That's why she has a comprehensive Jobs Today, Jobs Tomorrow plan, which includes a new, \$2 billion 21st Century Jobs for Michigan Fund that will diversify our economy and create thousands of jobs. From cutting taxes for businesses to matching out-of-work citizens with jobs that exist right now, Granholm is working hard every day to turn our economy around.

PROTECTING OUR FAMILIES AND OUR CHILDREN

Granholm knows that Michigan must ensure the health and safety of our families and our children to maintain our excellent quality of life. That's why in just three years, her administration has made it possible for more than 292,000 uninsured or under-insured citizens to receive affordable prescription drug coverage and health care coverage; and they've created the MiRx drug discount program that's helping 35,000 Michigianians purchase prescriptions. To protect our children, she's gone after sex and violence in video games. Our neighborhoods are also safer after her administration put more than 1,400 dangerous parole violators and more than 800 sex offenders back behind bars.

EDUCATING OUR KIDS

Governor Granholm knows the best path to a bright economic future is a high-quality education. Our children deserve to reach their full potential in a safe environment with the tools they need to succeed. That's why the Governor created Project Great Start to increase access to quality child care in Michigan communities and to give parents the tools they need to be their child's first and most important teacher. The Governor is also working to create higher standards in Michigan's high schools so that all students are prepared for success in college and in life. She is fighting to make Michigan the first state in the nation to make college or vocational training accessible and affordable for every child in the state. And, despite eliminating almost \$4 billion in budget shortfalls – more than any other governor before her – Governor Granholm's 2006 budget increased funding for Michigan's K-12 schools to record levels, while asking schools to do more to help kids learn.

Granholt Administration's Accomplishments for Michigan's Infrastructure: Transportation/Roads

Despite a Republican-led legislature, the Granholt Administration has consistently and successfully fought to create and maintain Michigan's critical infrastructure which is vitally important to job creation and retention. Governor Granholt's administration has:

- **Signed the Local Jobs Today Program.** This legislation literally paves the way for the creation of more than 7,100 jobs and \$400 million in accelerated road and transit projects. The Local Jobs Today plan provides grants and loans to cities, counties, and local transit agencies, enabling them to take advantage of available federal transportation funding. Leveraging \$87 million of state investment in local federal match grants will help bring \$347 million in federal funds for a total of more than \$420 million going toward local road projects. The projects will help create more than 7,100 jobs in Michigan in 2006 and 2007.
- **Committed to Fixing Michigan Roads Now.** Accelerated an additional \$618 million in spending for critical road and bridge projects throughout the state which will improve local transportation systems and support more than 11,000 jobs.
- **Committed to Fixing Michigan Bridges.** Working with local governments to provide motorists and businesses with safe, usable bridges that help keep traffic moving, that strengthen local economies, and support jobs.
- **Committed to Improving Local Roads.** Invested billions of dollars to improve local roads and bridges in communities throughout the state – including Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Kent, Lapeer, Ottawa, Sanilac, Dickinson, Clinton, Ingham, Eaton, Shiawassee, Livingston, Jackson, Hillsdale, Lenawee, Monroe, Saginaw County, south-central Lower Michigan, West Michigan, southwest Michigan, central Michigan, Michigan's Thumb, and the Upper Peninsula.
- **Signed legislation allowing local communities to ask voters to invest in the development of mass transit.** This legislation gives local communities greater flexibility when asking voters to make a long term investment in mass transit programs. Current law allows local transportation authorities to levy taxes for only five years for public transportation purposes. This bill extends the time period to 25 years, which will provide several communities with the flexibility to take advantage of more than \$114 million in federal funding that was earmarked in last year's federal transportation reauthorization.
- **Returned More Federal Road Dollars to Michigan.** Successfully helped lead the fight to make Washington, D.C. return a fairer share of Michigan's federal road tax dollars.