

With criminal justice reform a part of the national dialog, preparing prisoners with meaningful employment skills is a growing priority within the corrections environment. Among the many initiatives to address this issue in Michigan, Michigan State Industries (MSI) is a manufacturer operating within the Michigan Department of Corrections that has been providing work opportunities to prisoners since 1943, one of fifty such programs in the country.

MSI is regulated under the Correctional Industries Act of 1968 and is authorized to engage in manufacturing, sales and service to 501(c)3 non-profit organizations, governmental institutions, the federal government and tribal nations. MSI frequently turns down projects where they would compete with private sector businesses.

Michigan State Industries (MSI) provides products and services to customers as provided by law at prices that meet or exceed customer expectations, while providing professional growth opportunities for staff and marketable job skills to prisoners detained by the Department of Corrections.

MSI provides prisoners an opportunity to improve their workplace skills through employment assessments and certifications, and to participate in continuous quality improvement. MSI's focus is successful prisoner employment upon parole or release within Michigan with the goal to realize 0% recidivism through 100% employment for MSI parolees within 30 days.

MSI is self-supporting. It receives no funds from sources other than its own sales. Thus, MSI's success depends on producing quality goods and services delivered in a timely fashion to our customers at a fair price.

By decreasing recidivism rates, MSI's programs reduce costs to Michigan citizens, resulting in savings for both the judicial and corrections systems. And when adults in custody have productive activities to occupy their time, our prisons are safer. Perfecting marketable skills and being recognized for positive job performance are important components in rebuilding a person's character.



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Laundry



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The MSI Laundry operates within the Michigan Department of Corrections and has the capacity to serve the laundering needs of governmental and non-profit institutional customers.

The **MSI Laundry** is poised to service institutional customers in healthcare, confinement care, long-term care and education.

We can provide both traditional laundering and dry cleaning services using the latest in equipment and technology. We are especially committed to teamwork and accountability to assure that our customers' property is well cleaned and intact upon delivery. This requires careful coordination between our crew leaders and launderers throughout the cleaning process.

We offer these services:

- **Laundering**
- **Dry Cleaning**
- **Pressing**
- **Sewing**

We welcome the opportunity to discuss any special needs our customers might have that would align with our capabilities. Consider that by utilizing the services of the MSI Laundry you will be helping individuals develop life skills that will prepare them to become successful, productive members of society.

For more information about the MSI's Laundry capabilities visit the MSI web site at www.michigan.gov/msi.

MSI is "Building Bridges to Success" by providing real opportunities for Michigan adults in custody, educating and empowering them to become law-abiding, tax paying citizens through successful work skills training.

- *We instill and promote a positive work ethic.*
- *We provide opportunities for prisoners to learn marketable skills and gain from experience.*
- *We contribute to the economic self-sufficiency of working prisoners and their families.*

Through employment with MSI, prisoners at the Laundry develop both hard (industry-specific) and soft (social) skills, preparing them for employment after incarceration.

Soft Skills:

Decision Making
Communication
Teamwork
Reliability
Accountability
Punctuality
Adaptability
Listening
Literacy/Numeracy

Hard Skills:

Machine Operation
Machine Maintenance & Repair
Shipping & Receiving
Office Clerk
Quality Assurance
Order Fulfillment
Laundry & Dry Cleaning
Sewing Machine Operation
Pressing

