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OCC uses training incentive grants to spur jobs

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Oakland Community College has finalized training agreements for 322 new employees at three companies that are expanding design, engineering, and manufacturing operations in Oakland County.

Collaborating with Oakland County and the State of Michigan to create the new jobs in Auburn Hills, Rochester Hills, and Troy, OCC obtained nearly \$4.5 million in training incentives through the Michigan New Jobs Training [program](#). MNJT enables companies working with community colleges to divert the Michigan income taxes of newly hired employees to provide training in newly created jobs.

“We are elated to be helping Oakland County rebound from the recession by working with private and public sector partners to attract and retain [businesses](#),” said Dr. Timothy Meyer, OCC Chancellor. “These are new economy jobs and OCC's ability to customize training and have it paid for through the MNJT program is proving to be an incentive that makes the difference.”

OCC's expertise in economic development is grounded in anticipating the talent needs for companies and [industries](#) in

economy, providing more jobs for county residents and more opportunities for OCC students to live and work close to home.

In the last 12 months OCC has partnered with the Oakland County Planning and Economic Development Department to leverage financial incentives in dozens of economic attraction and retention proposals that are now becoming tangible projects with real jobs.

“OCC is a great partner in bringing emerging sector jobs to Oakland County and preparing a qualified workforce,” said L. Brooks



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Patterson, Oakland County Executive.

Details on OCC's three most recent workforce training contacts include:

DOKKA FASTENERS

Dokka Fasteners is based in Norway and owned by the Wv^orth Group, a global enterprise consisting of more than 400 companies in 80 countries. Now operating from Auburn Hills, as Dokka Fasteners Inc., Dokka supplies hot formed components for the North American wind energy market. Dokka's fully automated manufacturing process will be the first of its kind in the United States, and will replicate a highly technical manufacturing process used in its Norwegian facilities.

Dokka was considering incentives from Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, and Michigan to establish its first U.S. location.

The seven-year, OCC-facilitated MNJT agreement with Dokka Fasteners totals just over \$950,000 and will support the training of 76 new employees in materials, manufacturing, finance, quality, sales/technical, and clerical/service. Dokka began hiring new employees in Michigan in January 2011.

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The OCC-brokered MNJT agreement will involve training of new employees hired as part of an expansion of Meritor's world headquarters and technical center in Troy. The seven-year MNJT package totals more than \$1.6 million and will support the training of up to 125 new employees. Meritor began hiring new employees aligned with this agreement in January 2011.

WABCO HOLDINGS

WABCO Holdings Inc., a global [technology](#) leader and tier-one supplier to the commercial vehicle industry is headquartered in Brussels, Belgium. Through WABCO Reman Solutions Inc., an



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operating unit specializing in remanufacturing electronic and mechatronic components as well as traditional mechanical products for commercial vehicles and passenger cars, WABCO has established a remanufacturing facility in Rochester Hills.

WABCO is targeting new revenues in the growing market for high quality, environmentally friendly remanufactured components. The five-year OCC-facilitated MNJT agreement with WABCO totals more than \$1.9 million and will support the training of 121 new employees in engineering, sales, finance, purchasing, program management, [product development](#), and customer service. WABCO began hiring new employees resulting from the MNJT agreement in January 2011.

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