

About Us

Leoni's encouragement for development

The Leoni DDA was created by Ordinance No. 275 of the Leoni Township Board on August 19, 1987. Leoni Township wanted to encourage and assist development primarily along Ann Arbor Road, beginning at Thrush Road and ending at Gilletts Lake Road.

In 2007, the DDA was reinstated and boundaries were expanded to include the entire East side of Ann Arbor Road from US-127 to just West of Sargent Road, ending at Gilletts Lake Road. The Leoni DDA can assist eligible developers and or businesses with public infrastructure costs. The DDA has a number of recreation, shopping, and restaurant amenities to satisfy your needs.



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Community

A Community that you can be proud of.

The Township of Leoni is one of those peaceful communities that we are proud to be a part of. Our tree lined expressways provide a rural look throughout the Township, but behind many of those trees lies a bustling community filled with nearly 14,000 great



people, a chain of 7 lakes as well as many other lakes and a rural atmosphere with a friendly smile! Leoni is the largest township in total area in Jackson County with 52 square miles.

Opportunity

Advantages of being a part of the Leoni DDA.

Being a part of the Leoni DDA has its advantages.

New and existing companies within the Leoni DDA boundary can seek infrastructure funding assistance, if eligible, by simply submitting a funding assistance request to the Leoni DDA Board of Directors, which meet the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in the Leoni Township Meeting Hall. The Leoni DDA obtains funding from tax increment finance capture, pursuant to the Tax Increment Finance and Development Plan Amendment, approved in August 2007.

Immediate availability of skilled workers in automotive, medical and aerospace, and parts production and assembly.

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Education

Leoni's Education is second to none.

Three school districts serve the Leoni Township DDA.

East Jackson Community Schools www.ejs.k12.mi.us, which has 1,570 students K-12, located at four schools, Michigan Center School District www.mcps.k12.mi.us, which has 1,535 students K-12, also located at four schools and Grass Lake Public Schools www.edline.net/pages/Grass_Lake_Community_Schools.com, which has 1,054 students K-12, located at two schools.



Jackson County is home to three higher institutions of learning: Baker College www.baker.edu, Jackson Community College www.jccmi.edu, and Spring Arbor University www.arbor.edu.

Recreation

So many lakes, so little time.

Leoni Township is home to the chain of seven lakes,

with the popular, Center Lake as the heart of the lakes. In June, the Township is proud to host the Carp Carnival, sponsored by the Michigan Center Lions Club. The carnival has midway rides, games, a variety of food vendors, Lions famous chicken BBQ, beverage tent, Lions bingo tent, fishing contest, and live music. Visitors are encouraged to come by boat or car.



The Township has three popular boat launches, which provide access to the chain of seven lakes.

With over 500 holes of golf – Jackson County has more per capita than any other county in the U.S. There are over 17,000 acres of local and state parks, giving Leoni Township residents great recreational opportunities.

Leoni Township is a perfect location for hunting, fishing, boating and camping enthusiasts. For the race fans, Michigan International Speedway is approximately 15 miles away.

Growth In Leoni

Building the community, one project at a time.

East Gate Professional Park

designed to attract professional and medical services to eastern Jackson County. Located at 4400 Ann Arbor Road



in a high-traffic area with an average of 5,000 cars traveling daily. The development consists of five sites on a private cul-de-sac off Ann Arbor Road with one site currently leased to The Surgical Health Center. Other sites are available for sale, or design/build lease with option to buy.

Legacy Assisted Living - Lloyd Ganton Retirement Center:

The center includes assisted living units, a specialized Alzheimer's Center, and a large-scale dining room that holds 150 people, which is open to the public for special meetings and events. This project added 80 new jobs to the community. Occupancy began in February 2009.



Pathway Project:

In collaboration with the Michigan Department of Transportation, The Leoni DDA is working on a proposed Shared-Use Pathway to connect the entire Leoni DDA boundary from US-127 to Gilletts Lake Road.



Contact Leoni DDA



Contact the Chairman of the Leoni DDA or the Leoni Township Supervisor at 517-764-4694 if you have questions or would like more information regarding the Leoni DDA