

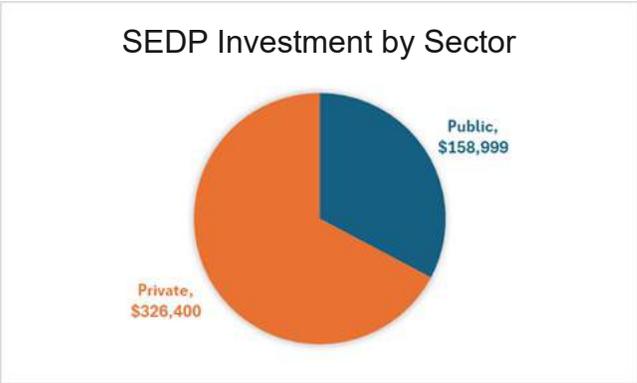
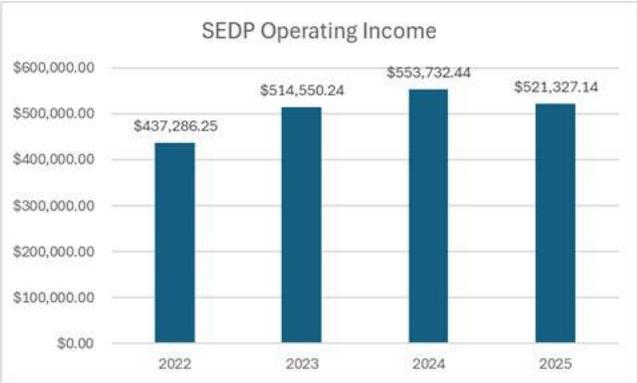


## By the Numbers

| 2022-2026 Strategic Plan Scorecard                          | Annual Goal | 2025 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------|
| <b>Existing Business Engagements</b>                        | 150         | 331  |
| <b>Projects w/5% Job Creation And/OR Capital Investment</b> | 15          | 18   |
| <b>New Business Prospects</b>                               | 30          | 84   |
| <b>Prospects In Target Sectors</b>                          | 20          | 57   |
| <b>New Business Starts</b>                                  | 5           | 8    |
| <b>Workforce Engagements</b>                                | 100         | 156  |
| <b>Net Increase In Shiawassee County-Based Jobs</b>         | 300         | TBD  |
| <b>Real Estate Prospects</b>                                | 30          | 136  |
| <b>Real Estate Project Starts</b>                           | 3           | 5    |

The Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership is pleased to present this year’s Annual Report and highlight another year of steady progress in support of a stronger, more resilient local economy. Throughout the year, we remained focused on delivering measurable value to our communities and partners, and we are proud to report that the organization met established goals for all key performance metrics.

Our financial position also remains strong. While year-over-year operating income is slightly down due to normal fluctuations in grant income, our overall stability and capacity to execute our mission are unchanged. Notably, investor net income increased by \$20,900 over the year—an encouraging sign of continued confidence in SEDP’s work and direction.



## Business Development Highlights

**Ventek Solutions** made investments in their facility and equipment in 2025, with efficiency improvements that resulted in a \$746,937 rebate from Consumers Energy.

SEDP, in partnership with the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center, continued its strong support of the Industry 4.0 program, which offers technical assistance and grant funding to identify and implement efficiency through technology. Successfully funded clients in 2025 included **Oster Superior Threading**, **TiAL Products**, and **Steiner Tractor Parts**.

The Shiawassee County Board of Commissioners approved Planned Unit Development zoning for **Owosso Speedway** at their Middlebury Township facility. This will support the ongoing expansion plans at the Speedway as they increase their capacity, as well as expand operations in the future to include campgrounds and a conference center among other amenities.

**Smith Sand & Gravel** broke ground on a new asphalt plant in Perry Township. The facility will be the only one of its kind in Shiawassee County upon completion.

**Kreeger's Country Market** received site plan approval for a location in Woodhull Township, located just off the I-69 interchange. The company plans to break ground in 2026.

**T3 Seal** relocated its industrial seal manufacturing operations to the City of Durand.

**Schlegel Sand & Gravel** sited a new sand mining operation in Woodhull Township. This project will provide important construction materials for projects throughout mid-Michigan.

**Murtle's Handmade Chocolates** acquired Ned's Slow Roasted Pretzels and relocated the operation to their Owosso Charter Township facility.

**Apex Custom Butchering** opened their processing facility in Rush Township. The location will handle cows, pigs, sheep, goats, buffalo and deer. This provides much needed processing capacity for Shiawassee County.

Six Shiawassee County businesses participated in the Eastern Michigan Small Business Network cohort. The primary goal of the Network is to accelerate the entrepreneurial pathway to success. The program provided coaching and access to support resources. Graduates included **Primary Alert Systems**, **The Duct Man**, **Barrister Brewing Co**, **MI Favorite Store**, **Vibrissa School of Cosmetology**, and **On Target Precision Services**.



*Ventek Solutions staff accepts a rebate check from Consumers Energy.*



*Racing at the expanded Owosso Speedway in summer of 2025.*



*Noah Dutcher of On Target Precision Services prepares a drone for take off.*

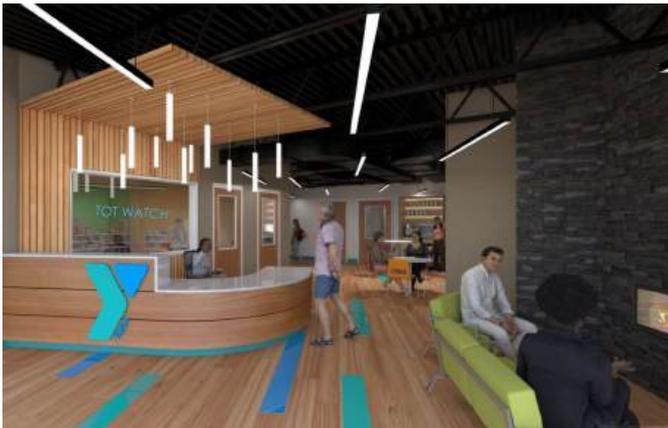
## Workforce Development Highlights

**Shiawassee Young Professionals Network** hosted regular events including trivia night, attending a race at Owosso Speedway and the first ever SYPN Soup Crawl. Plans for 2026 are to expand the event schedule to include both social and educational programming.



*SYPN participants enjoying an event at Barrister Brewing.*

**Shiawassee Family YMCA** began construction work on their City of Owosso facility in support of a new childcare operation that will be able to offer care for up to 80 children.



*Architectural renderings show the vision of the new childcare facilities at their City of Owosso location.*

SEDP launched a Human Resources discussion group, which allows HR professionals from across the county to gather for education and roundtable discussions on the pressing issues facing their companies. Early sessions addressed matters including compliance and benefits. The growing group is planning a full slate of programming in 2026.

## Partner Spotlight - Shiawassee RESD



Shiawassee RESD has opened a new Career and Technical Education (CTE) Heavy Equipment Work-Based Learning Lab in Vernon. Leased from Great Lakes Fusion, the garage features state-of-the-art equipment for hands-on training in hydraulics, engine performance, fuel systems, and heavy equipment/diesel mechanics fundamentals.



*The Shiawassee RESD celebrates the opening of the new CTE lab in the Village of Vernon.*

Now in its second year, the growing program previously used traditional classrooms, prompting the need for a dedicated lab space that Great Lakes Fusion helped provide. The program currently enrolls 49 students at the SRESD College and Career Readiness Center; graduates earn NCCER entry-level certifications in heavy equipment safety and core skills, plus OSHA 10 certification.

## Real Estate Development Highlights

SEDP provided site readiness activities across Shiawassee County. Extensive diligence was conducted for the Parmenter Rd industrial site in the City of Corunna, future site plans were developed and approved for Owosso Charter Township Industrial Park West, water and sewer engineering were conducted for the City of Perry to evaluate capacity needs for future development and we partnered with the Shiawassee County Drain Office to design a drain relocation plan to support LJ Inc's upcoming development in Venice Township.

**Agnew Sign** acquired and redeveloped a commercial property on W M21 with incentive support from Owosso Charter Township. The property is now available for commercial or office rental.

**Washington Park**, a 14-unit townhome development in the City of Owosso is under construction. The project was facilitated in partnership with the developer Venture Housing and the Shiawassee County Land Bank Authority. Upon occupancy, the development will offer lease or lease to own models for low to moderate income individuals.



*Washington Park townhomes in the City of Owosso nearing completion. Leasing is expected to begin in early to mid 2026.*

## Program Spotlight - Shiawassee County Land Bank Blight Elimination

In SEDP's role as support staff for the Shiawassee County Land Bank Authority, the organization has continued to support the Blight Elimination Program. Across four funding rounds, Shiawassee County has now secured \$1.319M to address troubled properties throughout the county. Funded projects have included the demolition of blighted properties or stabilization activities to prevent further deterioration while redevelopment is being planned.

Ongoing projects in Round 3 include demolitions at 117 W Exchange St, 201 Robbins St, and 800 W Main St in the City of Owosso; 131 Main St in the Village of Morrice; and stabilizing 102 Main St in the Village of Bancroft.

Additionally, work is being done to prepare 13008 Shaftsbury Rd in Woodhull Township for further redevelopment as part of funding Round 2.5.



*The property at 201 Robbins St, Owosso during demolition activities.*



*SEDP and Land Bank representatives at the demolition of 131 Main St. in Morrice.*



*The Shaftsbury Hotel, prior to stabilization activities funded by the Blight Elimination Program.*