GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CONFERENCE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 24 AND 25, 2023
KALAMAZOO, MI
The conference will be held at the Upjohn Campus in the Auditorium at WMed. Click [here](#) for more detailed information on directions to the campus and campus parking!
Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport:

5235 Portage Rd, Portage, MI 49002

The airport is located 4 miles south of the conference venue.

There are ride share and taxi options available, more information can be found [here](#).

Please contact Kallie (piettek1@michigan.gov) at the Michigan Office to inquire about shuttles from the airport if the above options are unavailable.
ACCOMMODATIONS:

Hilton Garden Inn and Home2 Suites:

303 N Rose St, Kalamazoo, MI 49007
(269) 276-0699

Located within walking distance of the conference venue.

Hotel rates are $104/night. Reservation information can be found here! Deadline to reserve rooms is October 1, 2023.

There is parking available at the hotel for $20. There are also parking structures located nearby.

State cars will be available for shuttle services in the event of inclement weather.
Upon entering the main public entrance, simply inform the security guard you are there for the Great Lakes Regional Conference and the security guard will direct you to the Auditorium.
There are many local restaurants and cafes within walking distance. Local coffee shops include:

- **Walnut and Park** – 322 W. Walnut Street
- **Matchhead Coffee** – 209 S. Kalamazoo Street
- **Caffe Casa** – 128 S. Kalamazoo Mall
- **Starbucks** – 100 W. Michigan Ave.
- **Factory Coffee** – 205 West Lovell
- **Water Street Coffee Joint** – 315 E. Water Street
Local restaurants include:

- **Blue Dolphin** – 502 S. Burdick Street
- **Harvey’s on the Mall** – 416 S. Burdick Street
- **Rustica** – 236 S. Kalamazoo Street
- **WL Socialhouse** – 161 E. Michigan Ave.
- **Studio Grill** – 312 W. Michigan Ave.
- **Martini’s Pizza** – 832 S. Westnedge
- **Bell’s Eccentric Café** – 355 E. Kalamazoo Ave.
THINGS TO DO AROUND KALAMAZOO:

- Kalamazoo Valley Museum
- Kalamazoo Institute of Arts
- Air Zoo Aerospace & Science Museum
- Kalamazoo Nature Center
- Gilmore Car Museum
- Lawton Ridge Winery
- Green Door Distillery
If there are any questions or concerns, please contact
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THANK YOU!