

# Ground-based Midcourse Defense Supply Chain Opportunities

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Fort Custer Training Center  
**Ground-based Midcourse Defense  
Update & Supply Chain Opportunities**

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**September 27, 2018**  
**Battle Creek, Michigan**

**Battle Creek, Michigan** – August 24, 2018, Battle Creek Unlimited (BCU) has partnered with Michigan Aerospace Manufacturers Association (MAMA) to provide an opportunity for a detailed briefing on the scope of the Ground-based Midcourse Defense (GMD) system project, what the project means to Michigan, and how Michigan companies can participate. This event will be held on September 27<sup>th</sup> in Battle Creek.

The Fort Custer Training Center (between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo) is the leading candidate being considered for construction of an intercontinental missile defense system called the Ground-based Midcourse Defense. A tour of the proposed Fort Custer Ground-based Midcourse Defense missile field site is planned for registered participants.

The Ground-based Midcourse Defense (GMD) system is designed to detect, intercept and destroy long-range ballistic missiles during their midcourse phase of flight. It provides early detection and tracking during the boost phase, as well as midcourse target discrimination, precision intercept and destruction of the target through the force of collision.

Officials estimate the project will have a \$3.2 billion positive impact on Michigan's economy, including hundreds of new direct jobs and over a thousand new indirect jobs.

Space is limited. Register today at [www.michman.org/GMD-Update-September-27-2018](http://www.michman.org/GMD-Update-September-27-2018) to attend this event.

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**About Battle Creek Unlimited**

*Established in 1972, Battle Creek Unlimited is a private, non-profit corporation which serves as the economic development arm for the City of Battle Creek and manages the Fort Custer Industrial Park. The Fort Custer Industrial Park is home to over 80 businesses, including 25 international companies, and employs over 13,000 people. BCU's mission is to build a strong community by driving strategic investment and job creation.*

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