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## LGC Helping to Re-Build Detroit from Underground

*Repairing Aging Waterlines and Sewer Infrastructure*



LGC Crew installing 48" piping after removing broken frozen valve.

The city of Detroit consists of 139 square miles of land. It is large enough to fit the cities of Boston, San Francisco and the borough of Manhattan, N.Y. and still have a bit of space left over. The city is rapidly enjoying a renaissance of sorts, as old downtown buildings are being restored and new construction is taking place as well. There are neighborhoods with homes built over a century ago, and architectural jewels such as office structures and churches that are getting makeovers to bring them back to their original splendor.

The beauty of what we see above the ground does not always reflect the catastrophes that lurk underground. What people do not see, is the once strong and effective underground water and sewer pipes that are

decaying and breaking due to age. Water main breaks and flooding occur frequently in the city due to the pipes inability to withstand great force and pressure

LGC is known as one of the nation's leading engineering firms equipped to do the work that Detroit desperately needs.

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and The Great Lakes Water Authority have each acknowledged the successful work projects that LGC has been awarded. **These are achievements that the company prides itself in, because it mirrors LGC's Core Values: Client Satisfaction / Positive, Can-Do Attitude / Respect / Responsibility.**



Broken (Frozen) Valve After Removal.

## LGC Is Dedicated to Detroit



Avinash Rachmale, Chairman

The city of Detroit is rebuilding and our company, LGC is right in the mix. We are playing a very important role which we take seriously. Our crews are installing new water lines in Detroit for The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and The Great Lakes Water Authority. We have a large crew of skilled trades people and

laborers doing rehabilitation at pump stations. Some 70 to 90 workers are employed at the Waste Water Treatment Plant in Southwest Detroit. The city is getting the much needed underground replacement pipes and valves that it desperately needs, and we are providing good jobs that are long overdue for many Detroit residents who have been unemployed. It is a wonderful feeling to do "good things" and to fill

a need. That's exactly what we are doing here at LGC. Besides the work with the water and sewer projects, we are still actively involved in providing maintenance work for the Detroit Public Schools. We are proud of the accolades we have received for our continuing work at DPS. We send our congratulations to the new school Superintendent, Dr. Nikolai Vitti. We are confident that his vision along with the newly elected school board will open new doors leading to success for Detroit Public School Students.

Education, job training and employment opportunities are all essential in order for the city to continue its transformation. It is imperative that young people know that they do not have to leave Detroit in order to continue their education, or to get a good paying job that will ensure a successful future. Detroit's comeback has to be a group effort. Businesses working together with elected officials, the academic community, non-profits and ordinary citizens can make it happen. The sky is the limit.



## The Turn Around Cafe

*Creating Jobs and Providing a Service*

Meet 20 year old Kevin O'Donnell and 17 year old Drake Edwards. Both young men have experienced a variety of difficulties in their young lives, but with the help of Assured Family Services and Lakeshore Global Corporation, they are now both entrepreneurs in training. The two operate a small café on the ground floor of the LGC building where there is no shortage of customers. "Almost everyone stops in here when they are on their way to their offices in the morning, said Kevin. They want coffee, juice and maybe a muffin and fresh fruit. We get a lot of support". Kevin graduated from Ferndale High School, and Drake is working on his GED. Both consider this opportunity to work for a paycheck a new beginning and a chance to have a real job to put on a resume. "We feel that it is our obligation to give back to the community, and LGC is working to assist the Café by bring in local businesses to help fund its expansion. The Turn Around Café is just one of the many programs my partner Avinash Rachmale and I support that reach out to disadvantaged young men who often find themselves without hope and no one to turn to" said LGC Vice President Thomas Hardiman, Sr." Assured Family Services is a Wayne County funded program focused on child welfare and juvenile justice. The offices are located located in the LGC building at 7310 Woodward Avenue in Detroit.





Pressure regulating valve vault improvements. Marquette & Inkster in Garden City, MI. Two 16" PRO'S and piping connected through 24" pipe to 30" and 54" water transmission main. This PRV vault controls the pressure from higher zone to intermediate pressure zone.



LGC Crew removing concrete encasement from the 24" pipe to install the line stop. Location is Marquette & Inkster, Detroit.



## LGC Adds Another Upgrade at McConnell AFB

### *Multiple Acquisition Construction Contract*



One of 3 Airmen's Dormitories at McConnell Air Force Base - Wichita, KS.

Our teams have successfully executed numerous construction projects over the past several years, including work at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, Kansas. The latest LGC award is a \$6.5 million renovation of 3 airmen dormitories. The project includes new or upgraded plumbing, electrical and air conditioning. The work is being done in sections so that the residents can continue to live in the dormitories during construction. Ajay Attawala, LGC's Director of Federal Contracting is leading this project with assistance from Richard Sawyer and Dianna Noblitt. The project is being executed over a period of 600 days, and will provide safe, modern and attractive upgrades to the facilities.

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## LGC Employee News

### New Hire



Welcome to Stacey Dogonski the company's newly hired Administrative Assistant and Human Resources Clerk. She joined LGC in January 2017 and her position falls within the Corporate Services Department. Her responsibilities include organizing and keeping track of employee benefits, company insurance and vehicle fleet management. Stacey previously worked at a local company that did planning consulting and

traffic engineering. She welcomes her new job and enjoys the challenges of change. "I love the fact that our building is right in the middle of all the new businesses opening up in the New Center area. It is very convenient. I truly enjoy coming to work every day because I appreciate my co-workers. Everyone is unique and I love people".

### A Toy Story



Alison Grandmason has found a way to make her job as the receptionist at Lakeshore Global's World Headquarters a novelty of sort. Besides taking calls and greeting guests, she cheerfully engages everyone with a smile and then watches as they begin to look at and examine her miniature toy display. She doesn't mind answering their questions about the toys; in fact, she welcomes the conversation.

"I've always had little toys at my desk at every job I've had since the 80's. I find it interesting to see what people are drawn to. It makes it possible to relieve stress and know that life is not so difficult"

Alison told me that one of the biggest thrills was when the company owner Avinash Rachmale, an engineer and construction professional, went straight for the mini Jenga game. It's a series of wooden building blocks. She says most men go for the little car, and that creative people like the mini etch-a-sketch.

But her personal favorite is a teeny dinosaur that she found years ago at a farmers market in Northern Michigan. It was lying on the ground. I cleaned it up and painted it with an iridescent color. Children love it and so do I!



## The QLine Stops at LGC Headquarters

### A Great Perk for Employees and Businesses



The new QLine streetcar system running through downtown and Midtown has 12 stops on its 3.3 mile stretch. Each of the stops is surrounded by popular businesses and attractions such as museums, restaurants and shops. The end of the line is at Woodward and Grand Boulevard, known as The New Center area near the historic North End neighborhoods.



The modern structure is right at the corner where the Lakeshore Global building is located. What a convenience for downtown business people who would rather catch the QLine instead of driving to Lakeshore, and employees love it too. They can easily go out for a quick lunch and be back in a hurry without the hassle of parking. One more reason why Detroit is booming with excitement.



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