

TalNet Fall Conference

GVSU Eberhard Center | October 27, 2021

- 8:00 Registration & Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 Welcome | Bill Guest, President, Metrics Reporting, Inc.

Accelerating Economic Mobility: National Trends

- 9:05 Keynote | Amanda Cage, CEO, the National Fund for Workforce Solutions
- 9:30 Panel Discussion | Facilitated by John Cleveland, President, Innovation Network for Communities
Panelists:
 - Kevin Stotts, President, Talent 2025
 - Angie Barksdale, COO, West Michigan Works!
 - Andy Johnston, Vice President of Government Affairs, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce
 - Dr. Bill Pink, President, Grand Rapids Community College

- 10:10 Break

Accelerating Economic Mobility: Local Innovations

- 10:20 Video | “Good to Great – The TalNet Story”
- 10:25 Panel Discussion | Facilitated by Bill Guest
Panelists:
 - Whitney White, Director of Employer Engagement, Talent 2025 (*IncludeAll*)
 - Jason Passata, Director of Instructional Services, Ottawa Area Intermediate School District (*SkillSense*)
 - Julie Parks, Interim Dean, School of Workforce Development, Grand Rapids Community College (*JobSync*)
 - Brittany Lenertz, Regional Service Center Director, West Michigan Works! (*CareerPoint*)
 - Marlene Brostrom, Program Manager, West Michigan Works! (*HireReach*)
- 10:50 Attendee Q&A
- 11:00 Remarks by Doug DeVos | The Doug & Maria DeVos Foundation

Decision Making: Stakeholder Engagement

- 11:10 Where does your organization align best?
All attendees use the TalNet Engagement Options worksheet to evaluate how these innovations might support their goals and to connect with us via www.TalNet.org/contact-us
- 11:25 Closing Remarks