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# Apache Junction City Council



# About GPEC

# GPEC by the Numbers

Over the last 36 years, GPEC has fueled the regional economy, racking up some impressive stats along the way.

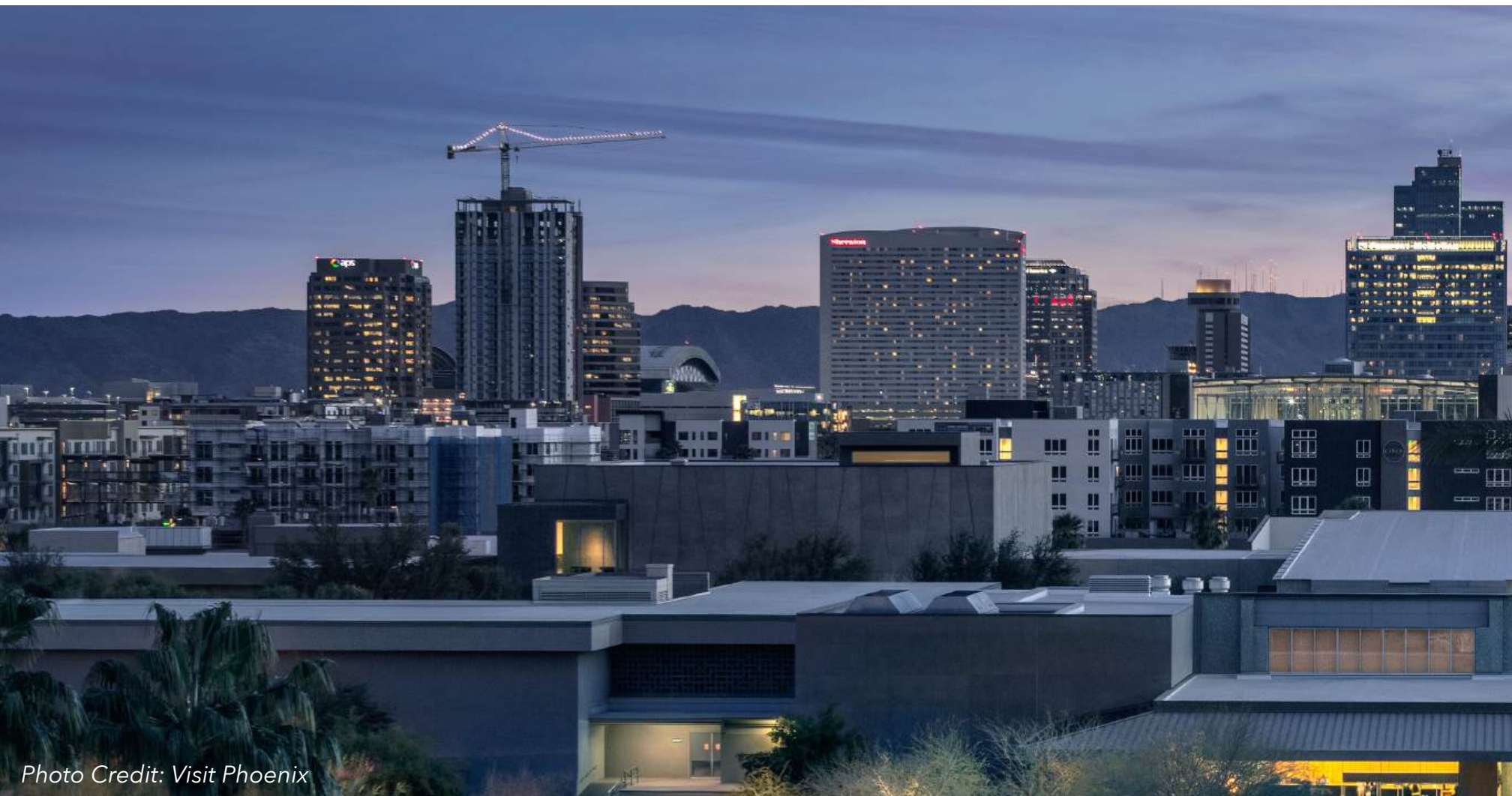


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**1,075+**  
Regional Locates



**197K+**  
New Jobs



**\$76.5B**  
Capital Investment



# GPEC Services



## → Operating Cost Comparison

- Perform annual operating cost comparisons across major markets.
- Analyze real estate, labor, utilities, taxes and incentives.

## → Regional Labor Market Data

- Provide current wage rates, labor force and skill levels based on occupation and industry.
- Analyze labor force availability data and create custom drive time analysis.
- Connect with local employers for HR insight.

## → Site Selection Assistance

- Aggregate a comprehensive listing of value-based assets, unique buildings and shovel-ready sites.
- Provide easy property search by size, location, price, zoning and more.

## → Economic Impact Analysis

- Evaluate project's economic impact and community benefit.
- Prepare geospatial analysis.

## → Connectivity To Key Resources

- Introduce your company to community college, university and key workforce assets.
- Coordinate with state and local regulatory authorities.
- Connect you to business leaders within the region.

## → Public Relations Assistance

- Draft a press announcement and coordinate quotes from key stakeholders on behalf of the client.
- Distribute announcement to media outlets.
- Support and coordination for ribbon cutting and grand opening events.

# GPEC & City of Apache Junction



# Apache Junction Community Benefits Report

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Revenue Return

### Apache Junction Investment

**\$22,004**

Funding Request for FY27  
AZ Office of Economic  
Opportunity 2025 Population

**\$20,392**

Funding Request for FY26  
AZ Office of Economic  
Opportunity 2024 Population

### Return on Investment (5-Yr Trend)



**\$28**

of direct revenue for  
every \$1 invested



**682**

new jobs for Apache  
Junction residents from  
region-wide locates



**\$63.8M**

in new consumer spending  
generated by new Apache  
Junction jobs and employed  
Apache Junction residents



**\$3.2M**

in new Apache  
Junction direct  
revenues

# Apache Junction Community Benefits Report

Results through regional success

	FY26	FY25	5-Year Total
Payroll Generated (\$M)	\$409.23	\$572.02	\$2,690.30
Jobs	6,295	7,206	39,522
High-Wage Jobs	2,602	4,983	21,339
Average Salary	\$65,009	\$79,381	\$68,070
Qualified Prospects	226	264	1,268
Assisted Locates	37	54	232
Capital Investment (\$M)	\$2,163.77	\$7,208.72	\$45,278.30

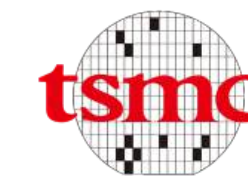
## Notable Locates



TRIPLE-S STEEL



Nestlé



# City of Apache Junction & GPEC Partnership

## Competitive Intelligence

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GPEC offers the City of Apache Junction access to the following unique tools and expertise:

- Comprehensive demographic, labor, targeted industry information and marketing assistance
- MetroComp operating cost-comparison software for 50 markets
- Greater Phoenix Consensus Impact Model analysis
- Community spotlights in GPEC's newsletters & social media
- Customized research requests

**232**

locates in Greater Phoenix GPEC has assisted in the last five years, including

**39,522**

jobs and

**\$45.27B**

in capital investment

# Action Plan & Strategic Plan

# FY26-FY28 Vision

Be the leading market for high-value investments and growth for local, national and international businesses with an eye to the industries of the future, enabling smart growth and advancing prosperity for the people of Greater Phoenix.

# FY26-28 Strategic Plan Goals

## Goal 1

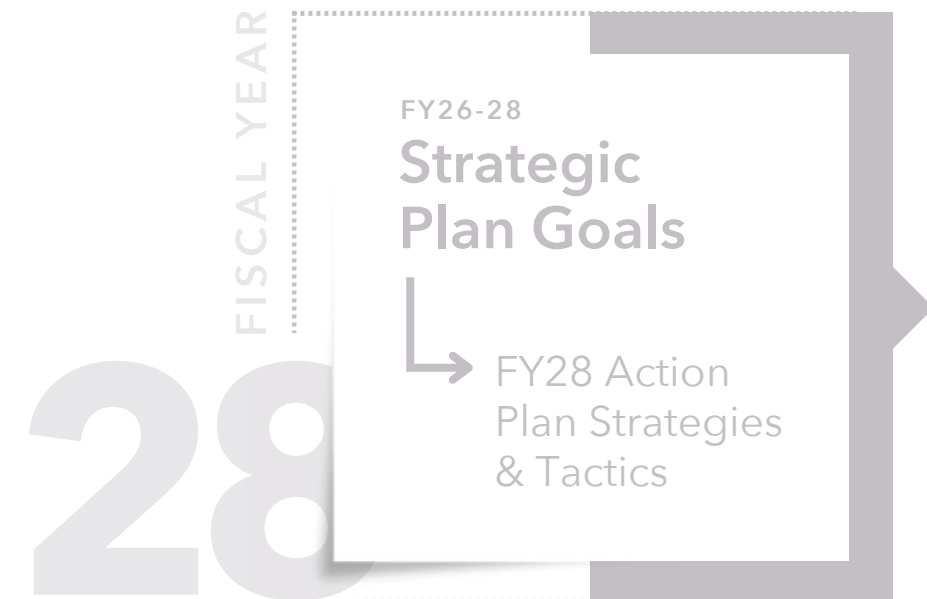
Build an internationally recognizable regional brand as a market uniquely positioned for high-impact industries and growth driven by innovation.

## Goal 2

Advance the region through future-focused investments and infrastructure, robust support for the startup ecosystem, and best-in-class support for expanding and relocating firms.

## Goal 3

Ensure GPEC is nimble in executing its mission as markets, technologies and the region continue to evolve.



# Thank You

