# SmartZone Update

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### Rochester Hills SmartZone



#### **SmartZone Growth**

- 2003 Baseline Companies: 128
- Total Companies: 184
- Jobs Created: 3,124
- Jobs Retained: 1,362
- Public Investment: \$10,308,500
- Private Investment: \$123,128,500

## Many Successes!

- Bosch Rexroth
- Hi-Lex Controls
- Motoman
- Ovonyx
- Plymouth Technology
- Ritter Technology
- Tesla Motors
- Tomcar









### Tax Growth

#### LDFA Plan

2003: \$440,000

2008: \$950,000

2009: \$990,000 est.

#### **SmartZone Plan**

2006: \$96,510

2007: \$226,450

2008: \$251,920

2009: \$453,851 est.

### **OU INC**



David A. Spencer, Executive Director

### **OU INC Growth**

- Companies Assisted: 124
- Commercial Readiness Assessments: 106
- Access to OU Facilities/Labs: 9 Companies
- Business Counseling: 22 Companies
- Jobs Created: 60
- Jobs Retained: 20

# **Company Funding**

#### **SmartZone Pre-seed Fund**

- \$8-million from 2007-2008
  - 1. Jadi, Inc. \$250,000 awarded
  - 2. Three company applications pending

• \$1.5-million 2008 (bridge fund)

## Company Funding continued

Automation Alley Pre-Seed Fund
 \$6-million from 2006-2008

Plymouth Venture Capital Fund
 \$30-million target

## Partners & Support

- Small Business & Technology
  Development Center representative
- Great Lakes Angels
- Biotechnology, Inc.
- Oakland County
- Corporate Partners



#### The SmartZone's Future

- Demand far exceeds available space
- Other SmartZones are increasing incubator space capacity
- Phase II of our SmartZone Plan needs to be analyzed and defined
- Analysis has begun

# Questions?