

## **Jan Frantz**

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Jan Frantz serves as Director of Corporate Projects for Battle Creek Unlimited, the economic development organization serving Battle Creek, Michigan. Ms. Frantz is responsible for providing community-based services to Battle Creek-based business and industry. Ms. Frantz provides similar service to domestic and international firms seeking a Battle Creek location.

Ms. Frantz is a licensed U.S. Customs broker. As Executive Director for the BC/CAL/KAL Inland Port Development Corporation, she has administrative accountability for the federal grant of authority for Foreign Trade Zone #43 based in Battle Creek, and markets the U.S. Customs Port of Battle Creek.

Ms. Frantz serves on boards and committees across the region, addressing economic development, workforce development, international trade, and quality of life issues. Ms. Frantz has been assigned by successive Battle Creek mayors to serve as a City Planning Commissioner. In 1999, Ms. Frantz was designated by Business Direct Magazine as one of the most influential women in West Michigan. She earned B.S. and M.A. degrees from Western Michigan University. In 2005, Ms. Frantz received the Patrick Henry Award from the National Guard Association of the United States for distinguished long-time support of the National Guard, in 2006 received the State of Michigan's Legion of Merit Award, and in 2006 the Book of Golden Deeds Award from the Pennfield Exchange Club.