

## PROJECT DATA

# FORD FIELD

DETROIT, MI

GREEN CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES

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### Size

7-stories, 750,000 sf

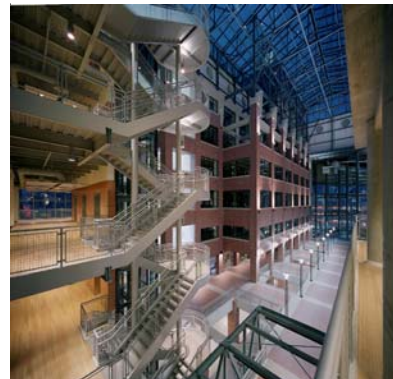
### Cost

\$137,607,000



JM Olson is proud to be a part of bringing Detroit Lions football back to the City of Detroit. As a part of the new 65,000-seat Ford Field stadium, JM Olson provided construction management services for the 750,000 sf renovation and expansion of the old Hudson's warehouse building into a multi-use entertainment complex. The 7-story facility houses stadium suites, press boxes, locker rooms, concession areas, retail space, restaurants, bar/lounge areas, banquet facilities and a hotel.

Originally built in 1920, the historic warehouse is the "focal point" of a stadium that is Detroit. Vacated in the 1990's the facility's interior was being demolished, while the exterior 1920's warehouse appearance was being restored. Designers have incorporated glass curtain walls and skylights to bring the Detroit skyline inside the stadium. The warehouse building makes up the south wall of the stadium and is part of an athletic and entertainment facility unlike any other in the world.



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While working on the infrastructure and site-work package for the new Ford Field, the Olson team began the daunting task of mass and selective demolition of the old, 1,000,000 square foot Hudson's warehouse building. The mega-renovation of the 80-plus year-old building has brought many challenges while converting it into the main support facility for the one-of-a-kind football stadium.



From budgeting to scheduling...from managing up to 750 tradesmen to managing material shipments on a tight site in the heart of Detroit, the Olson team has overcome the challenges and transformed the multiple construction types of the structure into a harmoniously functioning facility...a facility that looks and functions like new, while maintaining the historic urban warehouse look and feel.



As demolition was completed in a certain area, crews followed closely, installing new structural steel forming great open atriums, poured tons of concrete, installed new glazing and pre-cast, and constructed and installed completely new mechanical systems. The interior and exterior finishes were designed to keep the "warehouse" feel while offering modern comforts to Detroit Lions fans and other building users.



JM Olson has teamed with White Construction, a Detroit based MBE firm, to form White/Olson, LLC for this project.

"The past two years on the Ford Field Warehouse have afforded me the opportunity to see JM Olson Corporation maintain a sense of order in a project that has been subject to significant amounts of change during the construction process. Due to their efforts, I am confident the completion of this project will be on time and will reflect the level of craftsmanship expected of a high profile facility like Ford Field.



"If asked to identify the core strength of JM Olson Corporation, I would say it is their ability to facilitate communication and sustain focus among all members of the project team, from the Owner to the Subcontractors. The resulting relationships are a foundation to our project's success."

Kirk Funkhouser, Project Manager  
Hammes Company