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We are excited to announce the Center for Community Climate Resilience project has been selected by the MSU Center for Community and Economic Development, under the Comprehensive Economic Recovery Initiative. The Center for Community Climate Resilience will be a Mid-Michigan focused effort to create infrastructure in the region to support the evolution of a climate resilience and justice movement by engaging directly with individuals and coordinating organizations to dismantle barriers to access resources to improve just outcomes. Climate change is both an immediate and hidden threat in Michigan. Its causes are integrated with extractive systems and policies based in capitalism and white supremacist culture which are connected to the complex solutions of racial equity. Black Lives Matter. COVID-19 has highlighted disparities in health care and economic stability which will mirror negative impacts caused by climate change events

“People of Color and historically white climate/environmental organizations will dismantle extractive systems and build new systems to combat climate change - centered in human wellbeing, the interconnectedness of life, and access to shared leadership. The Center for Community Climate Resilience will honor the realities of social circumstances that required remote engagement practices at the same time that many of the community members are actively engaged in Black Lives Matters movement highlighting police brutality and racism in this country.”

-The Center for Community Climate Resilience mission statement



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MiDEC

The Michigan Diversity Education Center (MiDEC) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit located in Lansing, MI who is committed to serving as global change-agents by providing quality diversity education and training, empowering community engagement, engaging in meaningful and impactful dialogue and serving as good stewards to dismantle the systems of inequities, privilege, and injustice for the underrepresented and underserved.

MSU CCED

MSU CCED The MSU Center for Community and Economic Development (CCED) is committed to developing and applying knowledge to address the needs of contemporary society. Our mission is to advance MSU's land-grant mission by creating, applying, and disseminating valued knowledge through responsive engagement, strategic partnerships, and collaborative learning. We are dedicated to empowering communities to create sustainable prosperity and an equitable economy.

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