

# AGENDA

DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21



## MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE

ADVANCING ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:  
WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD PROGRESS

TIMES	SESSION DESCRIPTION		
8 AM	<b>Registration   Continental Breakfast</b>		
9 AM	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b> Regina Strong, Office of the Environmental Justice Public Advocate, EGLE; Don Taylor, President, University of Detroit-Mercy; Dr. Jalonne White-Newsome, Senior Director for Environmental Justice, White House Council on Environmental Quality		
10 AM	<b>BREAK – move to concurrent sessions</b>		
	<b>Track 1 – Room LS 113</b>	<b>Track 2 – Ballroom</b>	<b>Track 3 – LS 115</b>
10:15 AM	<b>Building Resilience in EJ Communities</b> <b>Tri-City Resiliency Planning:</b> Dinah George, Megan Husted, Ebony Elmore, Alisha Barnes <b>Eastside Resilience Hubs:</b> Ricky Ackerman, Donna Northern, Tim Skrotzki, Maria Galarza		<b>Legislative Role in Advancing Environmental Justice</b> Graham Diedrich, MSU State Rep. Abraham Aiyash State Rep. Donovan McKinney
11:30 AM	<b>NETWORKING LUNCH   POSTERS</b>		
12:00 PM	<b>Plenary Session: <i>Advancing Environmental Justice Priorities</i></b>		
12:45 PM	<b>BREAK – move to concurrent sessions</b>		
1 PM	<b>Equitable Opportunities and Just Transitions</b> Dana Hughes, Detroit Public Schools Community District Deborah Majeski, DTE Energy Scott Alan Davis, SEEL	<b>Why Environmental Justice Mapping Matters</b> Katie Lambeth, EGLE Joel Howrani Heeres, Public Sector Consultants Kathy Triantafillou, US EPA Jack Akinlosotu, City of Detroit	<b>Building Local Environmental Justice Networks and Collaboratives</b> <b>Eastside Climate Action Coalition (ECAC):</b> Alexis Sims, Dominique Dowd, LeJuan Council <b>Grand Rapids C4:</b> Kareem Scales, Annabelle Wilkinson, and Iris Gipson
2 PM	<b>BREAK</b>		
2:15 PM	<b>Engaging Youth in Environmental Justice through the Arts and Careers</b> Green Door Initiative: Jordan Irving Thriving Together: Jaden Favors and Rowan O'Connor Bryan Lewis, MAC-EJ	<b>Getting to Water Affordability in Michigan</b> Monica Lewis-Patrick, We the People of Detroit/MAC-EJ Ann Baughman, Freshwater Future Andrew Kricun, Moonshot Missions Andy Buchsbaum, UM School of Law	<b>Environment Justice and Health Equity</b> Dr. James Bell, MDHHS Brenda Jegede, MDHHS Aaron Ferguson, MDHHS Kory Groetsch, MDHHS
3:15 PM	<b>NETWORKING BREAK – Move to Plenary</b>		
3:45 PM	<b>Environmental Justice Perspectives on Thriving Communities - Panelists:</b> Sylvia Orduño, Michigan Welfare Rights; Keith Cooley, Principia, LLC; Mona Monroe-Younis, Environmental Transformation Movement of Flint; Frank Houston, Blue Green Alliance; Alison Sutter, City of Grand Rapids; Fadi Mourad, DTE		
5-6 PM	<b>Reception   Posters   Resource Fair</b>		

DAY 2 – THURSDAY, JUNE 22

TIMES	SESSION DESCRIPTION	
8:30 AM	Registration   Continental Breakfast	
9 AM	Day 2 Welcome <i>Regina Strong, Office of the Environmental Justice Public Advocate, EGLE</i>	
9:30 AM	BREAK – move to concurrent sessions	
	Track 1 – LS 113	Track 2 – Ballroom
9:45 AM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Reimagining I-375</b> Jonathan Loree, MDOT Monica Monsma, MDOT</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Working Together Toward Environmental Justice</b> Alex Little, City of Benton Harbor Marcy Hamilton, Southwest Michigan Planning Commission Emily Finnell, Office of the Great Lakes, EGLE Princella Tobias, Benton Harbor Team Solutions Joelle Regovich, Abonmarche LaToya Turner, Boys &amp; Girls Club of Greater Southwest Michigan</p>
10:45 AM	BREAK	
11 AM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Advancing Justice through Michigan’s Migrant Labor Support Organizations</b> Dale Flores Freeman, MDHHS Majed Ghussaini and Antonio Escobar, MDARD Gerardo Aranda, LEO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Addressing High Energy Burdens</b> Rahul Agrawal Bejarano, Energy Equity Project Anne Armstrong, LARA Sarah Mullkoff, LARA Jake Wilkinson, EGLE</p>
12 pm	NETWORKING BREAK   POSTERS	
12:20 pm	LUNCH	
1 PM	Keynote: <b>Implementing Environmental Justice Priorities</b> <i>Debra Shore, Regional Administrator, US EPA Region 5</i>	
1:45 pm	BREAK	
2 PM	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Environmental Justice and the Private Sector</b> Rebecca Karason, Huntington Bank Fadi Mourad, DTE Energy Chip Amoe, MSU</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Building Capacity for Environmental Justice</b> Alan Walts, US EPA Stacey Grant, Justice40 Accelerator Briana Parker, Elevate</p>
3 pm	BREAK	
3:15 PM	Closing Plenary: <b>Meeting the Moment</b>	
4:30 PM	ADJOURN	