

# Central UP CEDS/RHP Meeting #5

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

## Agenda

- ▶ Welcome and introductions
- ▶ *MI HOME Program Proposal - Jennifer Rigterink, Michigan Municipal League*
- ▶ RHP Housing Work Groups
- ▶ 2026 meeting dates
- ▶ Upcoming Grants, Trainings, and Events
- ▶ Partner Updates



# Welcome and Introductions

## 2026 CEDS Committee

<b>Alan Barr</b>	<i>Creative Change</i>	<b>Vince Bevins</b>	<i>Michigan Department of Transportation</i>
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<b>Holly Peoples</b>	<i>Michigan Works of the Upper Peninsula</i>	<b>Kathy Reynolds</b>	<i>Greater Munising Bay Partnership of Commerce</i>
<b>Sam Stonelake</b>	<i>MEDC Business Development</i>	<b>Mindy Meyers</b>	<i>Dickinson Area Economic Development Alliance</i>
<b>Phil Britton</b>	<i>Fresh Systems, LLC</i>	<b>Amy Berglund</b>	<i>Invest UP</i>
<b>Ed LeGault</b>	<i>Delta County Economic Development Alliance</i>	<b>Ray Govus</b>	<i>MEDC Community Development</i>
<b>Amy Stephens</b>	<i>Marquette County Planning</i>	<b>Nate Heffron</b>	<i>Superior Trade Zone/ City of Negaunee</i>
<b>Kathleen Henry</b>	<i>Superior Watershed Partnership</i>	<b>Dave Nyberg</b>	<i>Northern Michigan University</i>
<b>Christopher Germain</b>	<i>Lake Superior Community Partnership</i>	<b>Ryan Stern</b>	<i>UP Regional Labor Federation</i>
<b>Lexi Hagan</b>	<i>Menominee Business Development</i>	<b>Amy Kraatz</b>	<i>Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity</i>

# Welcome and Introductions

## 2026 Central UP Housing Collaborative

<b>Michelle LaJoie</b>	Community Action Alger-Marquette	<b>Andrew McNeally</b>	UPPCO
<b>Antonio Adan</b>	Marquette County	<b>Anne Giroux</b>	Invest UP
<b>Christopher Germain</b>	LSCP	<b>Victoria George</b>	Schoolcraft Tourism & Commerce
<b>Debb Brunell</b>	Michigan Works	<b>Dave Nyberg</b>	NMU
<b>Rod DesJardins</b>	DHHS		
		<b>Eileen Sparpana</b>	Bay College
<b>Jason Carviou</b>	Menominee County	<b>Jon Dickerson</b>	Schwalbach
<b>Jen Tucker</b>	MEDC	<b>Julie Shaw</b>	SAIL
<b>Kathy Reynolds</b>	Greater Munising Bay Partnership for Commerce	<b>Kim Shiner</b>	City of Manistique
<b>Lindsey Clark</b>	MEDC	<b>Mindy Meyers</b>	Dickinson EDA
<b>Lyn Durant</b>	Marquette Township	<b>Alan Barr</b>	Keller Williams
<b>Nate Heffron</b>	City of Negaunee	<b>Brad Neumann</b>	MSU Extension
<b>Deanna Johnson</b>	Habitat for Humanity	<b>Ray Govus</b>	MEDC
<b>Patricia West</b>	City of Gladstone	<b>Sean Hobbins</b>	City of Marquette
<b>Sharron Maki</b>	Marquette County Housing Commission	<b>Steve Mulka</b>	Breitung Township



# RHP Housing Work Groups

The six teams:

- ▶ Alger County - Kathy Reynolds, Alger County Housing Committee
- ▶ Delta County - Ed Legault, Delta Hannahville Task Force
- ▶ Dickinson County - Mindy Meyers, Dickinson Infrastructure & Housing Task Force
- ▶ Marquette County - Christopher Germain, Housing Now
- ▶ Menominee County - Lexi Hagan, Menominee Housing Committee
- ▶ Schoolcraft County - Schoolcraft Resiliency Committee

# What topics should we explore in 2026?

- ▶ How to package infill sites for developers
- ▶ How to structure a developer RFP/RFQ
- ▶ Improving permit coordination ahead of zoning approval
- ▶ How to set up a local housing rehab program
- ▶ How to project local housing demand for meeting new statutory requirements for master plans
- ▶ Breaking down the new housing pattern book
- ▶ Any other ideas?

# 2026 Proposed Meeting Dates

- ▶ January 22<sup>nd</sup> - Virtual only
- ▶ March 19<sup>th</sup> - Virtual only
- ▶ May 21<sup>st</sup> - In Marquette
- ▶ July 16<sup>th</sup> - In Marquette
- ▶ September 17<sup>th</sup> - In Marquette
- ▶ November 19<sup>th</sup> - Virtual only

## Grant Opportunities

- ▶ [MSHDA MI Neighborhood program](#) - Accepting applications until December 12th
- ▶ MI Neighborhood CDBG - [Letter of Intent](#)
- ▶ [MDARD Rural Development Fund Grant](#) - Proposals due December 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ▶ [MIO's Infrastructure Pre-Development Project Accelerator Pilot](#) - Open until December 1<sup>st</sup>
  - ▶ Request a support letter from CUPPAD by Nov. 24th

## Training Opportunities

- ▶ [MSU-E's Governing Essentials Series](#) - December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17th

## Events

- ▶ Building Michigan Communities Conference - May 12-13 in Lansing

## Other News

- ▶ Michigan land division bills: [HB 4081](#) and [SB 23](#) - Ready for Senate final vote

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# Partner updates

Anything to share that's relevant to regional development?

Thank you for attending.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, January 22nd, 10:00 - 12:00 PM  
Eastern - **Virtual meeting**