

# MICHIGAN COMMUNITY RESOURCES



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Total employees: 13  
 2013 revenue: \$1,101,775  
 Established: 1998

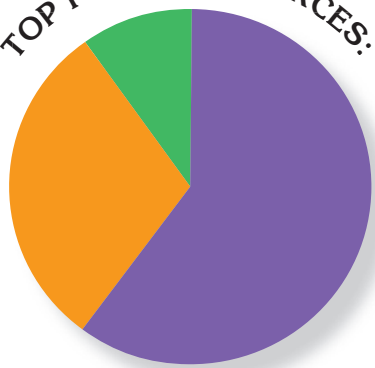


Jill Ferrari  
 CEO



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 President

## TOP FUNDING SOURCES:



- 60% Grants
- 30% Contributions
- 10% Events

## WHAT WE DO

The mission of Michigan Community Resources is to support and empower nonprofit community-based organizations working in low-income communities, with an emphasis on community and economic development, by providing pro bono legal services and technical assistance. Since inception, we have served over 1,200 nonprofits at a value of more than \$13 million; provided almost \$1 million in mini-grants for neighborhood beautification and safety initiatives; and provided vacant property-

related assistance to over 200 community organizations in Detroit.

In 2014, MCR and partners launched the Coordinated Capacity Building Program, funded by JPMorgan Chase Foundation and Kresge Foundation, to provide tailored capacity building services to a limited number of Detroit nonprofits in an effort to support neighborhood activities.

Connected to this program is the Neighborhood-Exchange, a website that will support neighborhood improvement

activities and peer-to-peer education through tools, resources, guides and volunteer coordination. An example includes our Neighborhood Legal Guides that address neighborhood-level policy issues and empower residents to engage.

MCR is also a member of the Impact Detroit collaborative, a network of community-driven organizations and businesses that provides a process for neighborhood stakeholders to bring neighborhood projects to life.

## FUNDRAISING /EVENTS



**MCR'S 13TH ANNUAL EVENT AT THE N'NAMDI CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART WAS PACKED WITH GUESTS SHARING STORIES OF SERVICE AND COMMUNITY PROGRESS.** - Annual Event & Awards Ceremony - This event celebrates the dedication of our volunteers and the progress our clients make toward capacity building, blight elimination and neighborhood revitalization. Awards are presented for Outstanding Community Action, Volunteer of the Year, Partner of the Year, and Law Firm of the Year.



**GUESTS CELEBRATE MCR'S 2012 AWARD WINNERS AT ITS 14TH ANNUAL EVENT AT CASS CORRIDOR COMMONS.**

## HOW TO HELP

### VOLUNTEER

We are always looking for business attorneys to provide with pro bono opportunities that make a positive impact on low-income communities. Other volunteer opportunities are available, such as serving on our board and committees or providing fundraising, event, program-related and in-office assistance.

### GIVE

Hundreds of nonprofits across Michigan depend on our services every year. Your support is vital to meet this need and keep our programs running. Recurring giving is available and all gifts are tax-deductible. We also participate in the Access to Justice Campaign to increase resources for civil legal aid to the poor in Michigan. Attorneys interested in donating through the Access to Justice Campaign therefore can designate their gift to Michigan Community Resources.

## LEADERSHIP

### TOP EXECUTIVES

Jill Ferrari  
 CEO

Wendy Richards  
 Director of Legal and Policy Programs

Shamyle Dobbs  
 Director of Education and Outreach Programs

Sam Butler  
 Director of Planning and Technical Programs

**BOARD**  
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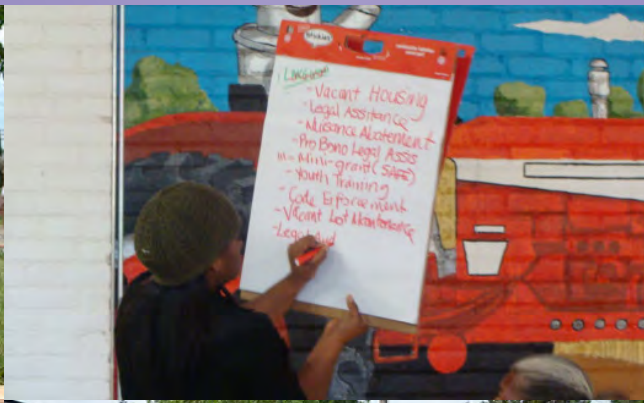
# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2014 AWARDEES

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR  
**Joe Wloszek**

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR  
**Miller Canfield**

OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY ACTION  
**West Grand Boulevard Collaborative**

PARTNER OF THE YEAR  
**Denby High School**



**Supporting Nonprofits.  
Strengthening Communities.**

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