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MICHIGAN NONPROFIT ASSOCIATION AND COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATIONS ANNOUNCE LEADERSHIP WITH PURPOSE PROGRAM

Program to Focus on Principles of Leadership and Career Exploration

LANSING, Michigan – Michigan Nonprofit Association (MNA) and the Council of Michigan Foundations (CMF) today announced the inaugural Leadership with Purpose program.

Sixty-two participants from across the state will attend three convenings to maximize learning, networking and clarity on making a career meaningful and impactful. Each session will feature local nonprofit leaders who will provide advice and experience. The program, funded by the C.S. Mott Foundation, is intended to equip diverse talent with the knowledge and direction to have successful careers in Michigan's nonprofit sector.

"The success of Michigan's nonprofit sector depends on our future leaders," said Donna Murray-Brown, MNA President & CEO. "Leadership with Purpose will prepare them to meet the challenges and opportunities of the changing nonprofit landscape."

"The pipeline of talent in Michigan is growing, and we believe a diverse cross-sector of talent fuels innovation," said Rob Collier, CMF President & CEO. "Programs like Leadership with Purpose demonstrate a commitment to fostering the knowledge and direction required to prepare Michigan's talent for a future in nonprofit leadership."

2015-16 Leadership with Purpose Cohort:

- Alexis Alexander
 United Way for Southeastern Michigan
- Nuha Al-sakkaf
 Social Media Association of Michigan
- Alphonso Amos SONS Outreach
- Beth Bailey
 Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan
- Robert Beltz Lamphere Schools
- Crystal Black
- Kibibi Blount-Dorn
 Detroit Food Policy Council
- Ursula L. Bolton
 Michigan Consumer Evaluation Team

- Liz Brass
 Area Agency on Aging Region IIIA
- Airika Buford
 State of Michigan-Department of Health and
 Human Services
- Kristyn Buhl-Lepisto Jumpstart
- Li Fong Chen
 University of Michigan ISR
- David Cherry City Connect Detroit
- Julie Clement
 J. Clement Communications
- T. Fletcher Cochran
- Earl Corrothers

- Nicholas Drzal
 Michigan Department of Education
- Kathryn Dugal Rotary Charities of Traverse City
- Chris Eldridge
 One Love Global
- Liza Fongers
 Grand Rapids Initiative for Leaders/Behavior
 Analysts of West Michigan
- Aruna Fonseka
- Elizabeth Fritz-Cottle
 Alzheimer's Association-Greater Michigan
 Chapter
- Tiffany Griffin
 Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan
- Cassie Hall Bethany Christian Services
- Catrina Harvey Mercy Health
- Alfredo Hernandez Corsen
 The Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance
- Norm Hess March of Dimes
- Emily Horvath
 WMU Cooley Law School
- Andrew Howe
- Gayathri llango POWERHOUSE GROWERS
- Diane Jarvi
 Michigan Nonprofit Association VISTA
- Amanda Johnson
 Midland Area Homes
- Michael Jones
- Rachel Kollin
- Victoria Leonhardt Great Lakes Center for Youth Development
- Aaron Lewber
 Disabled American Veterans Dept. of Michigan
- Andy Malonis
- Teresa Marchetti Van Andel Institute
- Elyse Mathos Boys & Girls Clubs of Grand Rapids Youth Commonwealth

- Michelle McGregor
 First Ward Community Service
- Rebecca Minardi Kids-Talk Children's Advocacy Center
- Angelica Moore Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Velma Mora
- Chioke Mose-Telesford Grand Circus
- Katie Parrish
- Meera Patel
 - Wayne State University Law School
- Amanda Reed
 United Way for Southeastern Michigan
- Amanda Reel
 United Way of Washtenaw County
- Jacqueline Roberts
- Kimberly Roberts
- Genevieve Sabala Bethany Christian Services
- Danielle Skonieski
 The Skillman Foundation
- Edward Steinberger JVS
- Theresa Tejada
 National Kidney Foundation of Michigan
- Wendy Underwood Dickinson Wright PLLC
- Katelyn Videto
 Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation
- Mirella Villalpando University of Michigan School of Social Work
- Leandra Williams
 Stingray Advisory Group
- Raechel Wrona The Salvation Army Social Services
- Karan Wyre VIP Mentoring/MAC AmeriCorps
- Elizabeth Zatina
- Jena Zeerip

TrueNorth Community Services

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knowledge and advocating. CMF members represent 91 percent of Michigan's organized philanthropic assets. For more information, visit www.michiganfoundations.org.

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