



MI Healthy Climate Corps Member Position Description

Position Title: Neighborhood Climate Resiliency Specialist	Host Site: Detroit Future City
Position Type: Full-time	Site Supervisor: Sarah Hayosh, Director of Land Use and Sustainability
Dates of Service: 3/18/2024 - 11/15/2024	Stipend: \$24,640

MI Healthy Climate Corps: The MI Healthy Climate Corps (MHC Corps) is an innovative approach to advancing the goals of the MI Healthy Climate Plan. MHC Corps members provide critical support to communities tackling climate change.

About the Host Partner:

Detroit Future City is a think tank, a policy advocate, and an innovation engine developing data-driven strategies to create a more equitable and sustainable future for Detroit. Detroit Future City (DFC) was established as a non-profit organization in 2015 to catalyze implementation of the Detroit Strategic Framework, a 50-year vision for the City of Detroit developed with input from over 100,000 Detroiters. Through the shared vision of the Detroit Strategic Framework, DFC is committed to advancing the quality of life for all Detroiters. Our role is to steward equitable implementation of the Framework recommendations by providing accessible information to Detroiters, informing and guiding decision-makers' initiatives and projects, and convening a broad range of stakeholders to better coordinate and align their work. Our goal is a more equitable and sustainable city that works for all.

MHC Corps Member Role and Responsibilities:

Join us and build climate resiliency in Detroit neighborhoods!

The member will support DFC with building capacity within our strategies for building thriving, resilient neighborhoods in Detroit, especially around sustainable land use and also around connecting residents, small businesses, and other community institutions to resources that reduce energy burden. The member will provide capacity to a collaborative project, the McDougall Hunt Climate Resiliency Initiative.

- Support with community engagement activities, developing workshops, and tours to develop a community-engaged land use plan focused on building climate resiliency.
- Research the costs and funding opportunities associated with a range of sustainable interventions may include urban prairie/meadow establishment and maintenance, tree/forest planting, solar energy production, and stormwater management.
- Use research and graphics skills to support the refinement of a toolkit to support community decision-making around using land for resiliency, and also to build funding and partnership support to implement these projects.
- Learn about current green space development through hands-on work days with community partners, and supporting the refinement of maintenance plans and their implementation.

All members will:



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- Empower the community to access federal and state climate resources by planning meetings, educational programs, and/or other activities to consistently share information.
- Participate in MHC Corps member development shared learning and collaboration activities including three MHC Corps in-person convenings, MHC Corps monthly virtual trainings, and Michigan's AmeriCorps activities.

Preferred Qualifications:

The appropriate candidate will have a strong interest and/or background in environmental issues, coalition building and/or community organizing, and communications or a combination of such interests. The appropriate candidate must possess strong verbal and written communication skills, excellent attention to detail, the ability to work within a team or as an individual and be familiar with the Microsoft Office suite and Google Applications. MHC Corps members are required to work the standard office hours of their host organizations.

No specific background or education is required to join the MHC Corps! But a minimum of 2 years of experience in these types of situations is essential for success:

- Experience facilitating a meeting with people who have more experience than them
- Complete their work without someone reminding them to do it
- Experience overcoming obstacles in work situations in the past
- Experience managing multiple professional relationships
- Comfortable working outside of the typical 9 am - 5 pm to attend community events
- Ability to use or teach oneself new software in a fast-paced role with little oversight

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ability to travel to Lansing for three in-person MHC Corps convenings.
- Be at least 18 years of age. Applicants must have a high school diploma, GED, or be working toward the completion of one.
- U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident of the U.S.
- Pass the following National Service Criminal History Checks: State of Michigan background check, State of residency (if not Michigan), FBI Fingerprinting, and National Sex Offender Registry.

Compensation:

Members will receive a living allowance of \$24,640 distributed in even increments, bi-weekly. Members will receive student loan forbearance for qualified loans, health care benefits, child care assistance upon eligibility, and continual professional development. Upon successful completion of service, an education award in the amount of \$5,176.50 will be issued. Members will serve approximately 40 hours per week (a total of 1,200 hours during the service term).

The MI Healthy Climate Corps Program is an equal opportunity employer. Reasonable accommodations will be made for interviews and service as needed.