



Equitable Development Initiative 2018 Cohort | Detroit, Michigan

Our first cohort for the Detroit Equitable Development Initiative was divided into two tracks. All participants followed a training track that focused on multifamily and mixed-use neighborhood infill development in Detroit. Additionally, the seven participants below were selected to receive more intensive training including one-on-one support from an established local developer mentor and a real estate development finance expert.



Sauda Ahmad-Green is a native Detroiter and founded S&S Development Group, LLC in 2005. S&S focuses on real estate investments, community development and neighborhood revitalization. Sauda serves as the

principal and manages the day-to-day operations. She is also a licensed attorney in the state of Michigan.



Ron Bartell is a native of the City of Detroit. Ron began his entrepreneurial career by launching R&J Development as a property investment firm in 2006. The vision for the company was to make strategic investments in areas

that were a major part of the renaissance of the City of Detroit. R&J currently owns multiple residential and commercial properties in the city of Detroit.



Chase L. Cantrell is the executive director and founder of Building Community Value, a Detroit-based non-profit dedicated to implementing and facilitating real estate development projects in

underserved Detroit neighborhoods. He is also the fund manager of Cooperative Capital's inaugural private equity fund: Detroit Community Capital. Chase seeks to be a catalyst for sustainable social and economic development that engages distressed communities in creating impactful, resident-led change but, more specifically, that improves livability for all Detroiters.



Damion Ellis is a Detroit born and raised entrepreneur, finance professional and community advocate. With over 10 years of experience under his belt, including his current role as the managing partner of the Phoenix Real Estate Company, he has become an expert in the financial services industry playing critical roles in the execution of over \$12 billion in financial transactions that include

collateralized loans, and municipal bonds. Damion's strong commitment to the city of Detroit and economic development have led to major developments in underdeveloped communities.



James Feagin is an urban practitioner with a passion for inclusive economic development, and a proven ability to think "from the boardroom to the barbershop." As a consultant he helps his clients innovate their neighborhood investment programming. He also currently serves as Entrepreneur-In-Residence and for FREC City, an economic-mobility hub on Detroit's Eastside and

recently launched projects+PEOPLE, a neighborhood-focused development firm supporting mission-driven organizations investing in cities across America.



Jeanine C. Hatcher is the executive director and co-founder of GenesisHOPE, and is charged to carry out the mission to achieve the vision of sufficient sustainable livelihood for all. The community development corporation's current focus is youth, community and economic development in Detroit's Islandview Village. Jeanine has over 30 years of experience in the

business and nonprofit sectors. She "brings an entrepreneurial view" to the mission of social justice.



Alisha Moss is currently the CEO and founder of VM3 Consulting Corporation and VM3 Construction, LLC, a small, minority, woman-owned consulting and construction firm that has recently relocated to the Metro-Detroit area. VM3 leverages over 80 combined years of mixed industry Fortune 100 corporate capital procurement, finance, tax, project management, training/facilitation and

business process experience to become trusted advisers within the heart of our client's organizations.



Equitable Development Initiative Training Track Participants

Keisha Bell	Sterling Howard	Laura Shi
Deba Harper	Lechell Hudson-Battiste	Marcus Sims
Audrey Childress	Herman Jenkins	Michael Steele
Asia Denson	Jelani Karamoko	Sean Tidwell
Gregoire Eugene-Louis	Cecily King	Andre Watson
Ezekiel Harris	Hayward Little	Robert Williams
Antoine Hayes	Katrina Lockhart	Rebecca "Bucky" Willis

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