

Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Recycling Education and Outreach Grant Program Fact Sheet **Michigan Recycling Coalition** 

### **Selected Grant Recipient**

Name: Michigan Recycling Coalition Project Location: Michigan Project Title: Leveling Up Recycling Education and Outreach in Michigan

## **EPA Information**

Region: EPA Region 5

Grant Funding: \$1,821,886.71

# Highlights

- Benefits 50 disadvantaged communities.
- Develops and delivers a comprehensive recycling education and outreach program in Michigan.

The Michigan Recycling Coalition will deliver curated education and outreach tools, strategies, training and resources in conjunction with one-to-one direct assistance to Michigan disadvantaged and rural communities. The coalition will use the EPA-developed model recycling program toolkit and other available resources—and work with certified community-based social marketing facilitators—to deliver nationally certified training to recycling professionals and provide targeted workshops to organics operators, generators and users. The project will educate trainers on how to deliver Master Recycler and Master Composter training in communities to develop local expertise and outreach capacity and develop and deliver recycling education to Michigan businesses.

## **REO Grant**

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. REO grant funding can be used to inform the public about residential or community recycling programs, provide information about the recycled materials that are accepted as part of a residential or community recycling program, and increase collection rates and decrease contamination in residential and community recycling programs. These grants also advance the Justice40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved and overburdened by pollution. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law also requires that 20% of the grant funding go to communities that are low-income, rural or Native American.

EPA will make the award to MRC once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

## Other Recycling Grant Funding in Michigan

Michigan SWIFR State Grant Fact Sheet

