

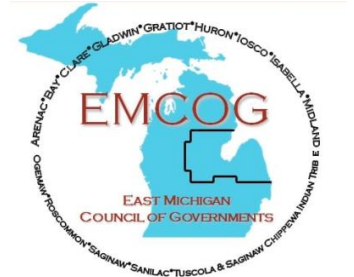
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**TO:** EMCOG Council and RED Team

**FROM:** Jane Fitzpatrick, Economic and Community Development  
Programs Manager  
Cynthia Edwards, Program Analyst/IT Coordinator

**DATE:** For November 4, 2022 Meetings

**RE:** Integrated Economic and Community Development Activities –  
A supplement to the November 4<sup>th</sup> RED Team Agenda

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**1. UPDATE – RED TEAM MEMBERS – Jane Fitzpatrick**

An option that is available to our appointed RED Team meetings is to designate an alternate for those times when you cannot attend. The alternate will be counted for establishing quorum and also can vote. If you would like to designate an alternate please contact me at [jfitzpatrick@emcog.org](mailto:jfitzpatrick@emcog.org) and we will get the alternate appointed at the next Council meeting.

**2. NEW – APPOINTMENTS TO THE RED TEAM – Jane Fitzpatrick**

We welcome the following as newly appointed alternate members of the RED Team effective November 4, 2022:

George Aultman, Vantage Plastics/The WELL Outreach : alternate for Heather Bauman  
Ann Bruzewski, GLB Visitors and Convention Bureau: alternate for Annette Rummel  
Jeff Punches, SBDC Mid Michigan College: alternate for Tony Fox  
Glenn Steffens, STARS: alternate for Jamie Forbes  
Christine Young, Develop Iosco: alternate for Gloria Brooks

**3. NEW – ECONOMIC RESILIENCE: RECOVERY STRATEGY ADDENDUM – Cynthia Edwards**

Post COVID-19 data is a consolidation of reporting from various agencies and sources, but it is not official census data. Being an unprecedented global event, we are still trying to interpret the data as best as we can. This data will be presented as an appendix to the official report, as this event was an extreme outlier and requires additional analysis. We are tracking significant demographic shifts that are outside what would normally be expected and can be traced directly back to COVID-19. These changes are happening at a pace that would not be expected in a typical 2-year snapshot of comparable data.

The impacts are not uniform. There are contrasting effects being felt through different industries, some have thrived, some have struggled substantially. There are notable differences on severity in individuals based on economic class and/or race. The data we are compiling and will continue to present will help you identify industries and individuals with the highest needs.

The COVID situation is still very fluid, and information is still coming in daily. We will continue to update your resources for the region as it is received.

#### **4. UPDATE – GRANT: CONNECTING DISCARDS, REUSE, AND STEM FINDINGS WORKSHOP ON November 2nd – Jane Fitzpatrick**

As reported in July EMCOG is a recipient of a grant funded through the CERI (Comprehensive Economic Recovery Initiative) supplemental grant awarded to the EDA REI University Center at the MSU Center for Community and Economic Development. The scope of the grant is to conduct research and a survey to determine opportunities for diversion of discarded materials used in the built environment and in the manufacturing process in the region. **An in-person workshop to talk about the survey results plus resources and guest speakers and a discussion of next steps is scheduled for November 2<sup>nd</sup> at from 10:00 to 11:30 am at the Midland Campus of Delta College.**

If you would like to register for this workshop please contact Iros Waste Diversion Specialists at [tamsin@iriswds.com](mailto:tamsin@iriswds.com)

Further information about the CERI initiative can be found at:

<https://ced.msu.edu/programs/comprehensive-economic-recovery-initiative-ceri>

#### **5. REMINDER: EMCOG EDA CARES ACT 14 COUNTY REVOLVING LOAN FUND – Jane Fitzpatrick**

EMCOG received funding in July, 2020 from the U.S. Department of Commerce EDA to establish a 14-County Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) through the CARES Act. The allocation to EMCOG included approximately \$500,000 for lending for projects which promote business revitalization and growth, enhance workplace safety, strengthen supply chains and sustain and/or create jobs.

Information on this EMCOG loan fund and the loan application forms can be found at [http://www.emcog.org/eda\\_cares\\_rlf.asp](http://www.emcog.org/eda_cares_rlf.asp)

For further information and inquiries please contact Sue Fortune, EMCOG Executive Director at [sfortune@emcog.org](mailto:sfortune@emcog.org) or 989 797 0800, ext. 11.

**6. UPDATE: WATER ASSET MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (WAMC) 2nd YEAR REQUESTS FOR DATA – Jane Fitzpatrick as appointed member of WAMC**

The Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) will soon be sending out letters on behalf of WAMC to the second 33% of water, stormwater, and wastewater providers statewide to fill out the survey forms that WAMC developed to gather related asset management information. Information regarding these requests including which providers and which year can be found at:

<https://www.michigan.gov/egle/about/groups/water-asset-management-council>

**7. REMINDER - EMCOG CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE DATAHUB – Cynthia Edwards**

The EMCOG Coronavirus Response Datahub provides federal, state, and local resources. It is available on the EMCOG website (<http://www.emcog.org/data>) and is updated daily. All resources at the federal and state level are provided through the Department of Treasury and the State of Michigan. All resources are updated as they come available. Local data is specific to the 14-county region and provides resources related to each county. For further information please contact Cynthia Edwards at [cedwards@emcog.org](mailto:cedwards@emcog.org)

**8. REMINDER – EMCOG GIS DATAHUB – Cynthia Edwards**

The EMCOG GIS Datahub is a place that gives the EMCOG Region a place to explore all maps and applications in one place. The Datahub's platform organizes people, data, and tools through informative-driven initiatives. Explore the new Resources Page in the [EMCOG GIS DATAHUB](#). Browse or download community profile reports at the regional and county level.

The EMCOG GIS Data Hub can be viewed through the website ([emcog.org](http://emcog.org)) and or you can view it through a direct link: <https://emcog-emcog.hub.arcgis.com/>

There are also tutorials available to help viewers navigate through the EMCOG GIS Data Hub and can be reached via the website ([emcog.org](http://emcog.org)) or through a direct link: <https://emcog-emcog.hub.arcgis.com/pages/gis-data-hub-tutorials>. For further information contact Cynthia Edwards at [cedwards@emcog.org](mailto:cedwards@emcog.org)

**9. REMINDER – INTERACTIVE CEDS 2021 REPORT – Cynthia Edwards**

A platform to help engage community partners, stakeholders, and citizens with dynamic reports about the EMCOG 14-County Region. Charts, graphs, and map applications will allow users to interact with the data and will give insights as to how the region is changing demographically. For further information contact Cynthia Edwards at [cedwards@emcog.org](mailto:cedwards@emcog.org)

## **10. REMINDER - SOURCES FOR FEDERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – Jane Fitzpatrick**

Take some time to visit the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration website for an expansive list of resources and grant opportunities. This website is constantly updated to includes the latest programs and initiatives.

<https://eda.gov/resources/directory/>