

# Michigan CRA Association – Final Agenda

Join us for a comprehensive two-day event featuring networking, professional development, and insights into community reinvestment and affordable housing initiatives.



# Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – Opening Ceremony

		
<b>4:00–5:00 PM</b>	<b>5:00–7:30 PM</b>	<b>7:30–8:30 PM</b>
Doors Open; Networking & Vendor Experience	Dinner with Flint & Genesee Pitch Competition, Awards & Music	Networking & Vendor Experience

# Wednesday, October 22, 2025 – Summit Day

Registration/Arrival & Breakfast: 7:30–9:00 AM (breakfast service 7:45–8:45 AM)

Opening: 9:00–9:10 AM — Welcome & CRA Opening Remarks

## Track A – Flint Microbusiness Summit

**9:15–10:00 AM**

Panel 1: "How to Get the MONEY!" (Grant/Philanthropy)

*Moderator:* Ebonie Gipson (I'm Building Something, LLC)

*Panelists:* Karena Hamlet (Flint & Genesee Economic Alliance); Celeste Spivey (ChoiceOne Bank); Chris Cook (MEDC); Salifou Mahaman (MEDC)

**10:00–10:15 AM**

Welcome Remarks by Greg Viener (Huntington Bank)

**10:15–11 AM**

Panel 2: Seeds for Growth — Access to Capital (Presented by Huntington Bank)

*Moderator:* Ja'Shawna Whitmore

*Panelists:* Ish Pandya (Huntington Bank); Marcus Rankins (Opportunity Resource Fund); Steven Powell (Huntington Bank)

**11AM–11:30 AM**

Fireside Chat with Brandee Cooke-Brown (Executive Director, 100K Ideas); *Guest:* Charity Dean (Michigan Black Business Alliance)

## Track B – Professional Development for Bankers

**10:00–11:00 AM**

CRA Banker Regulators Panel

*Moderator:* Mark Gould (1st Source Bank)

*Panelists:* Morgan Lebold (FDIC, Senior Examiner); Mitchell Cunnea (Federal Reserve Bank, Senior Examiner)

**11:00–11:30 AM**

Modernizing CRA Compliance: From Manual Tracking to Smart Automation (*Kadince*)

*Speaker:* Morgan Talbot, Kadince Sales Manager

**11:30 AM–1:00 PM**

Luncheon & Acknowledgements

**1:00–1:45 PM**

Michigan CRA LIHTC

*Speaker:* Emily Cauzillo (VP, Director — Mercantile Community Partners)

**1:50–2:45 PM**

MICRAA Annual Meeting

*Speaker:* Donna Steele (President, MICRAA)

**2:45–3:00 PM**

Closing Remarks

## Track C – Making Affordable Housing Easier!

**10:00–10:55 AM**

Session 1: 100 Homes — Jackson, MI

*Speakers:* Cory Mays & Shane LaPorte (City of Jackson, Community Development)

**10:55–11:30 AM**

Session 2: Housing Forward

*Speaker:* Jennifer Acosta (Housing & Development Consultant)

**11:30 AM–1:00 PM**

Lunch & Acknowledgements

**1:00–1:50 PM**

Session 3: Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)

*Speaker:* Amy Hovey (CEO & Executive Director, MSHDA)

**1:55–2:45 PM**

Session 4: Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (FHLBI)

*Speaker:* Rori Chaney (only)

**2:45–3:00 PM**

Closing Remarks