

Michigan Statewide

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**By the numbers
cumulative
(LISC and affiliates),
1988–2011**

TOTAL INVESTMENT
\$150.6 million

DOLLARS LEVERAGED
\$478.5 million

COMMERCIAL SPACE
976,801 sq. ft.

HOMES & APARTMENTS
5,559

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Family Income and Wealth

With a \$1 million grant from the Kellogg Foundation, Michigan LISC began implementation of its Financial Opportunities Center's programs in Kalamazoo, Battle Creek and Grand Rapids. Preliminary outcomes indicate that enrolled participants are receiving bundled services including, employment placement and career services, financial counseling and coaching, and public benefits support needed to move families on the trajectory out of poverty. As of the end of the year, an aggregate total of 240 participants have been enrolled in the four Centers, with 55 percent receiving integrated services.

Health & Safety

LISC's support of the full-service, organic and natural foods grocery store, the People's Food Co-Op, has increased the amount of locally-grown fresh foods provided by local farmers and food producers. Notably, more than 1,500 community resident-owners have taken an equity stake and joined the co-op. With more space, the Co-op now has the capacity to manage the Double-Up Food Bucks program and other federal food subsidy programs to make fresh foods more accessible to low- and moderate-income families.

Expanding Investment in Real Estate

2011 showed the unveiling of the Metro Center project where LISC/NEF invested \$10.3 million in New Markets Tax Credits to create 24 units of mixed-income rental housing and 10,350 square feet of rehabilitated retail space in downtown Kalamazoo. It is the first commercial LEED-certified rehabilitation project in the city.

The City of Kalamazoo and the Kalamazoo County Land Bank developed Market Place, a new housing development made up of 23 single-family, energy-efficient homes. To date, 16 homes have been completed and 10 have sold to families at or below 120 percent of Area Median Income.

The State of Michigan received the single largest NSP2 award in the nation of \$223 million. As such, Michigan LISC has been heavily involved with foreclosure recovery work and working with the Land Banks and CDCs to ensure successful implementation of the NSP2 dollars. Outcomes have proven successful as many community identified projects are underway such as the construction of new housing developments and rehab of foreclosed properties. Other projects to be completed include large-scale demolitions of blighted and abandoned buildings.

Michigan LISC worked with NEF to preserve 30 units of Low Income Housing Tax Credit housing in Flint's Sustainable Community target area.

AmeriCorps Program

Michigan LISC provided grant support to 11 organizations in Kalamazoo, Flint and Grand Rapids to hire 16 LISC AmeriCorps members to serve through August, 2012. Members are engaged in Sustainable Community Initiative planning; providing income support services at Financial Opportunity Centers; neighborhood organizing; homelessness outreach; home repair classes for low-income homeowners; and neighborhood beautification and community gardening activities.

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PUBLIC SECTOR SUPPORT

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Development Authority

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