



Led by the Green Door Initiative (GDI), our team brings deep knowledge and experience in all evaluation criteria areas, to ensure successful execution of Phase One. Past successes include workforce training to help low-income and formerly incarcerated residents transition into family-sustaining employment in the environmental/green collar sectors, with over 500+ residents trained and a 96% job placement rate to date; youth outreach, leadership development and training; Environmental Justice (EJ) policy work at the state and national levels; and award-winning community involvement work.

GDI facilitates the revitalization, rebuilding, and restoring of communities and has a well-established respected reputation locally, regionally, and nationally as an advocate for environmental and climate justice in Detroit and the State of Michigan. GDI is a founding member of the National Black Environmental Justice Network (NBEJN) and the EJ Forum.

GDI will be supported by team members, 313 Solar LLC (313 Solar) and APEX Direct, (APEX), minority, woman-owned businesses with expertise in economic expansion, green-sector jobs, climate justice, public engagement in EJ communities, training and stakeholder relations.

Using a block by block approach, our project *From Motor City to Solar City: revitalizing, rebuilding and restoring Detroit* will create a sustainable neighborhood serving as a model for replication in other communities.

Project outcomes include:

- Full and fair access to climate-smart job training.
- Job placement/hiring for residents including formerly incarcerated individuals.
- Enhanced partnerships.
- Increased awareness of entrepreneurship opportunities.
- Increased energy security as a result of solar panel assembly and installation.
- Development of a Regional EJ Center of Excellence in the Midwest for sharing best practices, success stories, tools, financial opportunities and other resources.