

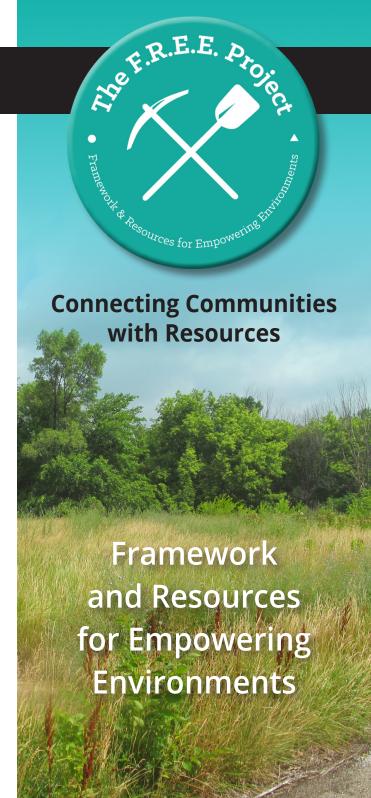
Partners

We engage diverse groups of public and private entities who tie solutions together in a creative and mutually beneficial way. The FREE Project improves the efficiency, capacity, and competitiveness of Michigan's diverse workforce while conducting blight removal, job training, and community-led design.

The FREE Pilot Project will improve a blighted and vacant 16-parcel site in the McDougall-Hunt neighborhood on Detroit's near-east side. Construction improvements will be performed by local businesses who can learn critical skills to participate in infrastructure projects.

The future use and maintenance of the physical space is guided by local community residents, organizations and surrounding institutions.





Benefits

How Can You Contribute?

Pilot Site

- ► Enhancing the capacity of local **businesses** to deliver infrastructure projects
- Conducting blight removal in local communities to improve safety, security, and quality of life
- Empowering local nonprofits for long-term sustainable property stewardship
- Investing directly into communities to build collaborative local businesses
- Promoting restorative justice to drive diverse and equitable development
- Creating environments conducive to Human, Organizational, Physical, and Economic (HOPE) Development

- Construction and planting materials
- Talent, labor and construction equipment
- Construction plans, designs, and inspection services
- Financial planning assistance
- Skilled trades training
- Workforce development opportunities
- Apprenticeship programs
- Monetary donations or working capital
- Organizational mentoring
- Supportive services
- Operational budget assistance

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McDougall-Hunt Pilot Project, looking northeast from Hendricks Street