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CEDAM Elects Board for 2016-2017

Lansing, MI – The Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) is pleased to announce the 2016-2017 Board of Directors. Board members represent CEDAM's statewide membership providing oversight while helping to guide CEDAM's strategic direction. Board members serve two-year terms.

"CEDAM is very fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented Board of Directors," said Jamie Schriener-Hooper, CEDAM's Executive Director. "These members represent diverse pieces of Michigan's community economic development efforts. We greatly appreciate their input and guidance."

CEDAM staffs several statewide collaborative efforts that address vital and growing community needs, including the Michigan Foreclosure Tax Force, Michigan Rural Council, Microenterprise Network of Michigan, Michigan Communities for Financial Empowerment and Michigan Earned Income Coalition. In addition, CEDAM hosts two AmeriCorps programs including the Michigan Financial Opportunity Corps and a new Rural VISTA program. CEDAM connects its more than 230 members with resources, tools and policy advocacy. CEDAM trained more than 1,000 nonprofit professionals in 2015 in real estate development and industry-specific topics. CEDAM's Board of Directors provides guidance and participation in all of CEDAM's programs.

2016-2017 CEDAM Board of Directors

- **Michael Appel, Incumbent**
Avalon Housing and Develop Detroit (Ann Arbor)
- **Christine Bell**
Urban Neighborhood Initiatives (Detroit)
- **Toby Berry, Incumbent**
Community Action Agency (Jackson)
- **Kris Brady, Incumbent**
Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (Traverse City)
- **Tracie Coffman, Incumbent**
Essential Needs Task Force of Kent County (Grand Rapids)
- **Sonja Dean, Incumbent**
Local Initiative Support Corporation (Kalamazoo)
- **Mikki Droste**
Capital Area Housing Partnership (East Lansing)
- **Tom Edmiston, Incumbent**
Cinnaire (Lansing)
- **Kirsten Elliott, Incumbent**
Community Housing Network (Troy)
- **Bonnie Gettys**
Barry Community Foundation (Hastings)
- **Tony Lentych**
Traverse City Housing Commission (Traverse City)
- **Diane McCloskey, Incumbent**
Home Renewal Systems (Farmington Hills)
- **Rory Neuner, Incumbent**
Saginaw Oakland Commercial Association (Lansing)
- **Jason Paulateer, Incumbent**
PNC Bank (Troy)
- **Lori Pieri, Incumbent**
H.O.M.E. of Mackinac County (St. Ignace)
- **Linda Smith**
U SNAP BAC (Detroit)
- **Dennis West, Incumbent**
Northern Initiatives (Marquette)
- **Glenn Wilson, Incumbent**
Communities First, Inc. (Flint)

CEDAM is a nonprofit membership organization representing hundreds of individuals and organizations committed to revitalizing and rebuilding Michigan through community economic development. For more information about CEDAM, visit cedam.info

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