

Racial Disparities Task Force Meeting

Friday, June 6th, 2020

Call Agenda

- Call to Order (Tommy Stallworth– 2 minutes)
 - House Keeping (Danielle El-Amin – 5 minutes)
 - Update/Meeting Objective (Lt. Governor Gilchrist– 5 minutes)
 - Executive Orders/Directives
 - Review of Progress – (Tommy Stallworth)
 - New Work Groups – (Tommy Stallworth)
 - Discussion
 - Environmental. Justice – (Regina Strong)
 - Access to Utilities – (Kara Cook)
 - Status of Recommendations – (Tommy Stallworth)
 - Public Comment
 - Adjourn
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House Keeping Rules:

- All members will be muted upon entry
- If you wish to speak, please enter question or comment in the chat and Kate will unmute when instructed
- Speak only to the issue at hand
- Submit any recommendations in writing to the Task Force email: MIEOG-COVID-19RacialDisparitiesTF@michigan.gov
- Initiate and maintain interpersonal discussions offline/outside of designated meeting times
- All meetings are recorded and links to recordings will be sent out following the meeting

Follow up email to be sent after each meeting:

- Notes
- Takeaways
- To dos/Assignments

Charge to the Task Force

- a. The Task Force must act in an advisory capacity to the governor and must do the following:
 1. Study the causes of racial disparities in the impact of COVID-19 and recommend actions to address such disparities.
 2. Recommend actions to increase transparency in reporting data regarding the racial and ethnic impact of COVID-19; remove barriers to accessing physical and mental health care; reduce the impact of medical bias in testing and treatment; mitigate environmental and infrastructure factors contributing to increased exposure during pandemics resulting in mortality; and develop and improve systems for supporting long-term economic recovery and physical and mental health care following a pandemic.
 3. Perform outreach to ensure all stakeholders in impacted areas are informed, educated, and empowered. Stakeholder outreach will include, but is not limited to, community leaders, partner organizations, tribal governments, local government officials, and other elected officials representing the impacted areas.
 4. Perform outreach to ensure the general public is informed about racial disparities in the impact of COVID-19, and the work of the Task Force.
 5. Identify avenues of funding for combatting racial disparities in the impact of COVID-19.
 6. Recommend changes in Michigan law relevant to combatting racial disparities in the impact of and response to pandemics.
 7. Identify other issues and provide recommendations to the governor on any other matters relevant to addressing racial disparities in the impact of and response to pandemics.
 8. Provide other information or advice or take other actions as requested by the governor.
- b. The Task Force must report regularly to the governor on its activities and make recommendations on an ongoing basis.
- c. The Task Force will continue its work until 90 days after the end of the declared states of emergency and disaster, or such other time as the governor identifies.