

HEALTHY COMMUNITY ZONES

A FUNDING OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES

The Healthy Community Zones (HCZ) is a place-based, racial and health equity initiative that provides funding to communities disproportionately affected by chronic diseases, poor health outcomes, food insecurity and physical inactivity. Healthy Community Zones will support the implementation of community-led initiatives to reduce racial disparities and to develop comprehensive long-term strategies that address inequities in the places where people are born, grow, live, work, learn and age.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

The HCZ funding will be open to local public, private or nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations including organizations supporting tribes and people with disabilities in three communities: Chippewa County, Saginaw County and the City of Detroit.



WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF HCZ?

HCZ funding is available to new or existing programs that aim to do one or more of the following:

- Increase food security.
- Create healthy built environments and active communities.
- Support healthy, thriving children and youth.
- Enhance social cohesion.



HOW TO APPLY?

The Request For Proposals (RFP) will be available on the [EGrAMS website](#), and accessible in the Current Grants section. MDHHS will hold a pre-application conference to discuss this funding opportunity on Monday, Oct. 7, 2024, and provide instruction on using the EGrAMS system once the RFP is released. Total available funding is \$9.1 million and MDHHS estimates 30 awards with a maximum of \$500,000 and minimum of \$50,000.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the [Healthy Community Zones website](#).
For questions, email MDHHS-HCZ@michigan.gov.

