

## **EWR LI Workgroup Chat – 09/14/23**

[8:58 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Brad - Just sent you an email. Is there an agenda too?

[9:00 AM] Tiwana, Fawzon (LARA)  
<https://www.michigan.gov/mpsc/-/media/Project/Websites/mpsc/workgroups/ewr-li/2023/EWR-LIW-Agenda-091423.pdf?rev=ad9c420acc9c4cb0916c8014a9be805f&hash=D156C8E78ED18A2D687E5D1E7CA390A3>

I don't think the agenda was attached to the email, but it was uploaded to the MPSC webpage.

[9:06 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Here is a great link from the state from the IRA that they keep updated at the state level. I have been using it a lot <https://www.michigan.gov/egle/about/organization/materials-management/energy/rfps-loans/home-energy-rebate-programs>  
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[9:14 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Could we discuss the re opening of the MI hope portal and program?

[9:16 AM] Sarah Kile  
Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Could we discuss the re opening of the MI hope portal and program?  
Like the [www.mihopeportal.com](http://www.mihopeportal.com)?

Michigan Hope Portal — Connecting People to Resources  
An online directory and referral resource containing trusted providers who can meet a variety of mental health needs for people of all ages.

[9:17 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Yes. It seems to be re opened until 10.31. \$25,000 per home for income qualified.

[9:17 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Get the word out. <https://www.michigan.gov/mshda/neighborhoods/mi-housing-opportunities-promoting-energy-efficiency-program-mi-hope>

[9:17 AM]  
Patrick Beal (Guest) was invited to the meeting.

[9:29 AM] Josh F. (She/Her) (Guest)  
Can you make this spreadsheet available?

[9:29 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Patrick is there a legislator who will draft a bill? Can we sign a letter of support?

[9:30 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Could we have that letter sent out the listserv?

[9:33 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
+1 Nat.

[9:44 AM] Goldberg, Laura  
next in-person LI EWR meeting timing?

[9:46 AM] Martin Kushler  
The 'climate' package and the EWR bill is in a bit of confusion right now, but by mid October things should be a lot more clear. (hopefully)  
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[9:47 AM] Goldberg, Laura  
grand rapids sounds great. and maybe later fall to Marty's pt would be good  
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[9:49 AM] Goldberg, Laura  
support that tim!

[9:50 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
GHI is in for Grand Rapids to discuss green affordable housing updates

[9:51 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
<https://www.michigan.gov/egle/about/organization/materials-management/energy/rfps-loans/home-energy-rebate-programs>

[9:59 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Do you know have any updates when BPI 2400 will be ready to give us the requirements for modeled savings?

[10:08 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Do the rebates cover the cost of the energy rating, modeling, aggregation that needs to be done (in any of the scenarios) and how does that align with HOMES25C Tax credits?

[10:18 AM] Soukhome, Jennifer  
So when you say combine rebates, a federal rebate can't be added to a utility rebate? So for example, if the state had a \$4,000 heat pump and the utility had at \$1,000 heat pump rebate the customer couldn't stack them to get \$5,000?

[10:20 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
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[10:20 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)  
Yes

[10:23 AM] Mclaughlin, Julie (DHHS)  
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[10:23 AM] Goldberg, Laura

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[10:24 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)

I wish there was a \$4000 heat pump 🙄

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[10:24 AM] Mclaughlin, Julie (DHHS)

Goldberg, Laura

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LIHEAP funding given to Weatherization.

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[10:25 AM] Andrew McNeally

1.5 ton units in bulk have been as low as \$4500 fully installed for UPPCO

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[10:25 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)

Cold weather climate?

[10:26 AM] Andrew McNeally

Yes, cold climate heat pumps rated to -15F

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[10:27 AM] Banks, Brad (LARA)

Mclaughlin, Julie (DHHS)

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I am not sure on WAP funds.

[10:36 AM] Nat Zorach

Do you have any suggestions on how to navigate the harrowing federal hiring process to be able to  
work on stuff like this?

[10:44 AM] Brett Little, He/Him, GHI (Guest)

this too for new construction carrots <https://www.energy.gov/eere/buildings/45l-tax-credits-zero-energy-ready-homes>

[10:47 AM] Banks, Brad (LARA)  
Walker, Danielle [danielle.walker@hq.doe.gov](mailto:danielle.walker@hq.doe.gov)

[10:49 AM] Nat Zorach  
Grand! Thanks all