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Forward Cities

Forward Cities equips communities and organizations to grow and sustain more equitable entrepreneurial ecosystems. Our vision is that every entrepreneur would have equitable opportunity and access to develop, launch, and grow a business that creates wealth for themselves, their family, and/or their community. This is accomplished via speaking engagements, direct services, narrative change, and capacity building. Additionally, the organization is convening and curating a national community of practice dedicated to shared metrics, skill development, continuous learning, and sustainability. <https://forwardcities.org/>



Michigan Small Business Development Center

The Michigan SBDC enhances Michigan's economic wellbeing by providing free consulting, training and market research for new ventures, existing small businesses, and advanced technology companies. With ten offices throughout Michigan, we are committed to fostering and sustaining a culture of inclusion through equitable outreach and service to Michigan's diverse business community. The SBDC's Uplift Michigan™ initiative addresses a critical underlying issue--closing the entrepreneur skills gap so the underrepresented may qualify for resources and the capital necessary to ensure financial success and long-term sustainability.

<https://michigansbdc.org>



TechTown Detroit

TechTown is Detroit's entrepreneurship hub. We are a nonprofit business service organization that provides programs, education and resources for early- to growth-stage small businesses and tech entrepreneurs. We own and operate a 135,000-square-foot building in Detroit's New Center that supports coworking, offices, meetings and events. By building bridges for entrepreneurs to succeed, we are accelerating an inclusive and equitable economy for Detroit and Southeast Michigan. <https://techtowndetroit.org>