

# TOGETHER WE THRIVE THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIPS



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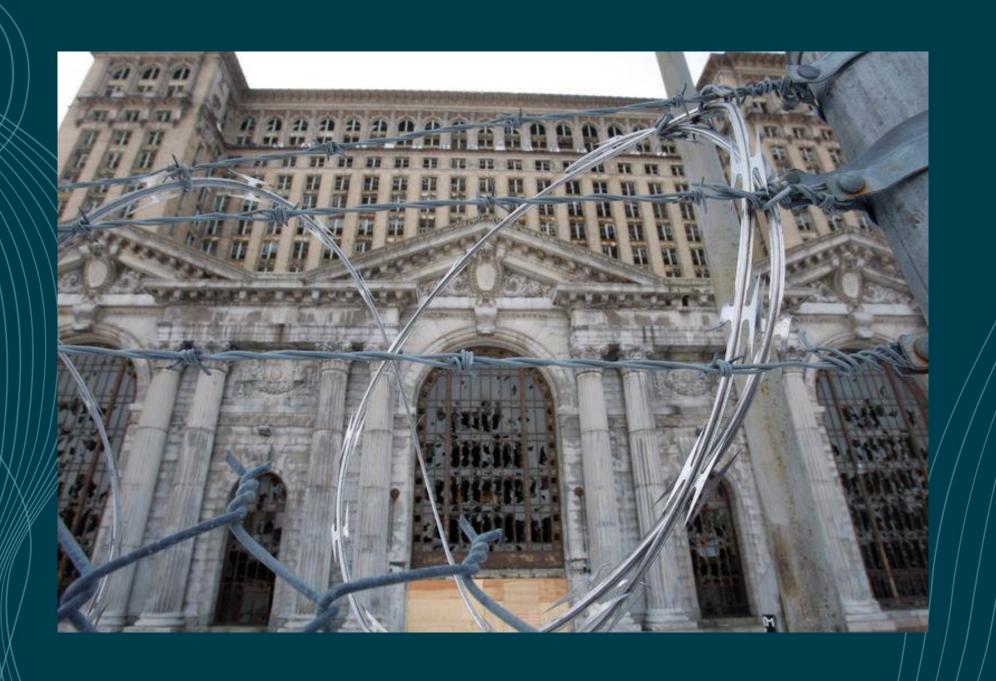
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# Partnerships are the Engine

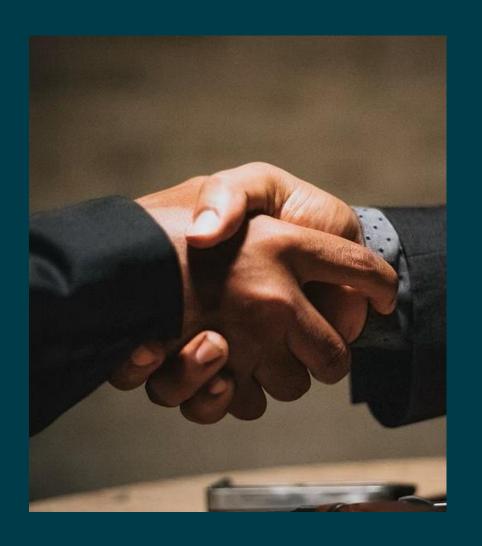
- \$8 billion in investments since 2014
- 26,000+ jobs created in Detroit







### **Lessons in Collaboration**



- Alignment: Shared vision for inclusive growth
- Trust: Radical transparency
- Community benefit:
   Jobs must reach those who need them most

# Workforce is Key



#### **Challenges:**

- Retirements in energy sector
- Skills gaps & geographic inequities
- Need for hybrid digital & technical skills

## **Success Stories in Training**

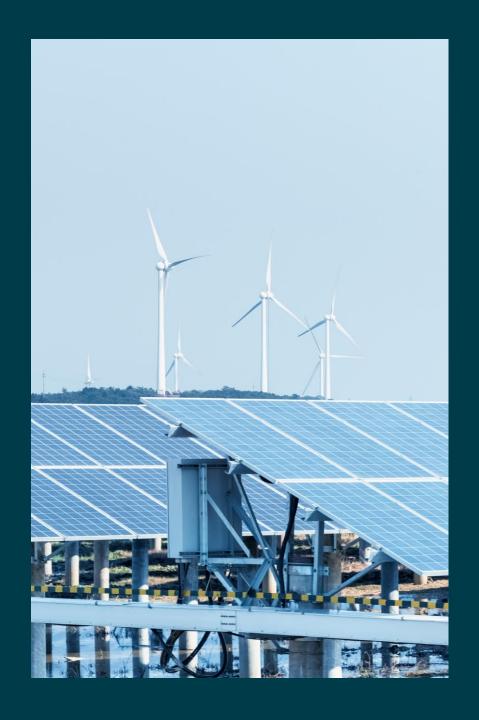




#### **Examples:**

- Apprenticeships in trades
- Google Code Next at Michigan Central
- Solar Neighborhoods:

   165 acres of solar fields
   creating jobs while
   training workers



# Energy as an Economic Generator

- Michigan's goal: 100% clean energy by 2040; carbon neutrality by 2050
- Clean Energy & Jobs Act: 160,000 new jobs;

\$8B federal investment



# **Opportunities Ahead**

- Green jobs are exploding
- Infrastructure investment creates careers
- Energy transforms communities
- Technology convergence opens new paths





## Scaling the Model

- Forge cross-sector collaboration
- Employers sharing roadmaps
- Educators embedding industry experts
- Unions including diverse workforce
- Community voices at planning tables

# "We're not just powering buildingswe're powering dreams."

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