

# IMPACT DETROIT INNOVATIVE CAPACITY BUILDING GRANT

## OVERVIEW

The Detroit Future City Implementation Office (DFC) was awarded \$200,000 in engagement funds from the Kresge Foundation in late 2013. The funds are intended to support the engagement and capacity building efforts across Detroit. DFC is using the funds to support an Innovative Capacity Building Grant with Impact Detroit. Impact Detroit is a network of community driven organizations, individuals, and businesses that provide expertise and knowledge to help fulfill the Detroit Future City Strategic Framework Plan (Framework) through on the ground, innovative, and inspirational projects which raise the quality of life for Detroiters and Detroit neighborhoods.

## OBJECTIVES

- Increase the capacity of the Impact Detroit network
- Provide direct support for innovative capacity building activities
- Support community planning in partnership with the City's Planning Director

## EVALUATION METRICS

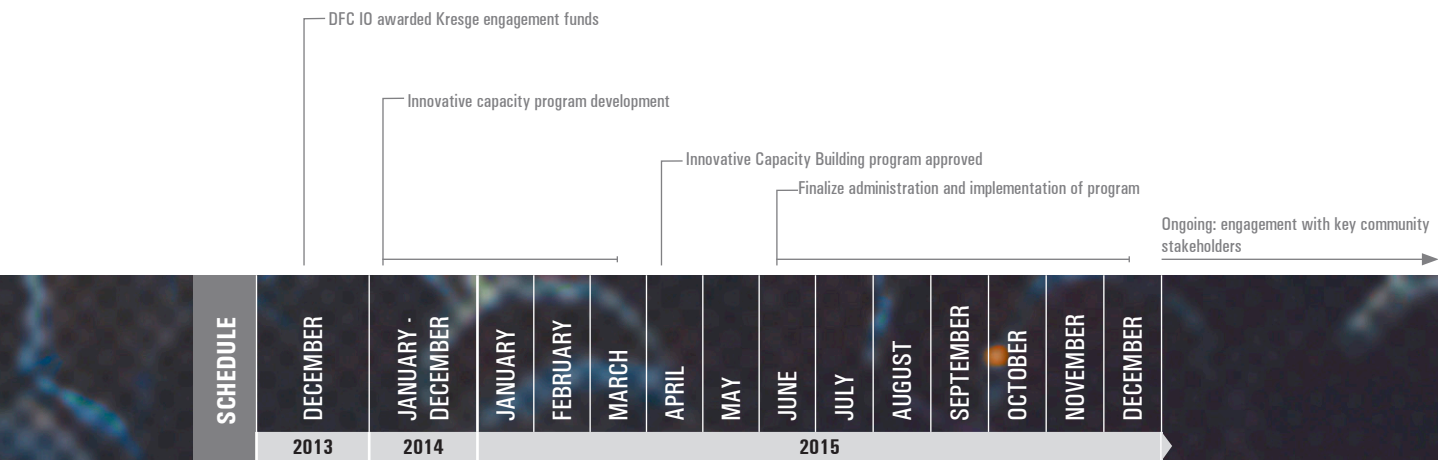
- Number of new initiatives funded
- Number of organizations and businesses engaged
- Changes made within the Impact Detroit network from capacity building activities
- Number of community plans implemented or created

## IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES & ACTIONS

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| 1   | EXPAND CAPACITY FOR THE LONG TERM: BUILDING ON STRENGTHS TO EXTEND RANGE                |
| 1.3 | Focus on Detroit institutions   |
| 1.4 | Focus on Detroit residents  |
| 2   | INFORMED, INCLUSIVE DECISIONS: DEVELOPING AND SHARING KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION         |
| 3   | A MOSAIC OF TACTICS FOR A MOSAIC OF PEOPLE: DIVERSE PLATFORM OF OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE |
| A   | ADDRESS QUALITY OF LIFE CHALLENGES THAT AFFECT ALL DETROITERS                           |

## RESOURCES

- Detroit Future City Implementation Office (grant)



## INITIATIVE VITALS

**CONTRIBUTING ORGANIZATIONS:**  
 Detroit Future City, Impact Detroit, process leaders

**DFC INITIATIVE TYPE:** Partner

**DFC REPRESENTATIVES:** Allandra Bulger, Victoria Olivier

**INITIATIVE SCALE:** Citywide

**INITIATIVE DURATION:** April 2015 - December 2015

**RELEVANT PLANNING ELEMENT:** Civic Capacity, Neighborhoods

## DFC APPROACH

The Detroit Future City Implementation Office will co-lead the implementation of the Innovative Capacity Building Grant with Impact Detroit. The grant will focus on the following three key areas:

1. Impact Detroit network capacity building: Capacity building activities will focus on technical assistance that increases the networks' capacity to effectively collaborate, facilitate, resolve conflict, engage diverse stakeholders, advance social justice, address racial equity and achieve impact
2. Direct support for innovative capacity building activities: Provide direct financial support to organizations, businesses and individuals to advance existing work, fulfill the Framework and connect and strengthen the Impact Detroit network to deploy resources on the ground quickly
3. Community Planning: Support activities related to implementing existing community plans or develop new community planning processes aligned with Community Development Advocates of Detroit Strategic Framework process and connected to the City of Detroit's new Planning Director