



**MICHIGAN  
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LANDBANKS**

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# Legislative Foundation

- 1. PA 123 of 1999 reforming tax foreclosure**
- 2. The Land Bank Act of 2003**
- 3. Amendments to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act**



# What is a Land Bank?

**A land bank is a public authority created to efficiently acquire, hold, manage and develop tax-foreclosed property, as well as other vacant and abandoned properties.**

# Funding – Capacity Building

- Property acquisition rights from County
  - legal and liability issues
- NSP and other Federal Programs
- Blight Funding in 2023 State budget
  - Administered by SLBA
- CDBG, HOME, BRA, loans, local \$
- MALB Capacity
- 47 local Land Banks



# Relationships

- Architects (landscape & design)
- Board of Commissioners (Co. Exec.)
- Capture Districts (DDA, LDFA)
- Chamber of Commerce
- City Council (Mayor)
- Colleges (Community & other public/private)
- Commercial Associations (BID, BIZ, downtown)
- Community Action Agencies
- Community Economic Development Assoc of MI (CEDAM)
- Contractors
- Developers
- Economic Development Entities – public/private (EDC, BRA)
- Engineers (environmental, civil)
- Entrepreneurs and incubators
- Environmental interest
- Faith Community
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Finance (banks, credit unions ++)
- Food security & garden/farm interest
- Foundations – Rob Collier
- Gardeners (Greening groups, Master Gardeners)
- Habitat for Humanity (local & state)
- Home Builders (local & state)
- Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Housing Counselors (credit, foreclosure prevention)
- Labor Organizations
- Legislators (newsletters, cable shows, public meetings)
- Main Street Programs
- Media (print, TV, radio, on-line)
- Recyclers & Composters
- Michigan Works (job training & Section 3 compliance)
- Neighborhood Organizations (HOA)
- New Americans (immigrant groups)
- Non-profits (CDC, MNA)
- Parks
- Planners (APA, MAP)
- Planning Regions (14 statewide)
- Public Health Agencies (County, State, CMH)
- Public Housing Authorities
- Public Relations Firms
- Realtors (local & state)
- Schools (K-12, Intermediate)
- Smart Growth Groups (LPI, Urban Land Institute, CNU, NPSG)
- Social Entrepreneur
- State Agencies (DNRE, DLEG, MEDC, MSHDA/SHPO)
- Think Tanks (CCP)
- Trade Groups (APWA, MML, MAC/Flo)
- Transit Groups
- Treasurers (county & city)
- United Way (211, programs)
- Universities
- Young

# Land Bank Programs



**Demolition**

**Housing Renovation**

**Commercial**

**Property Maintenance**

**New Construction**

**Side Lot Disposition**

**Garden Program**

**Rental Program**





# Land Banks in Michigan

- 2004- Michigan State, Genesee
- 2005- Ingham, Saginaw
- 2006- Jackson, Grand Traverse, Lenawee  
Muskegon, Wayne
- 2007- Calhoun
- 2008- Arenac, Berrien, Cass, Gladwin,  
Lapeer\*, Leelanau, Ogemaw, Sanilac, Detroit City
- 2009- Bay, Benzie, Clare, Delta, Emmet,  
Gogebic, Houghton, Ionia, Kalamazoo,  
Marquette, Saint Clair
- 2010- Charlevoix, Lake, Oceana, Ottawa, Van Buren
- 2011- Alger, Monroe, Osceola
- 2017- Baraga, Ontonagon, Presque Isle
- 2018- Manistee
- 2019- Dickinson, Eaton, Huron, Missaukee
- 2020- Tuscola
- 2021- Shiawassee
- 2022 - Oakland





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