

Building a Brighter Tomorrow

2025 MCA Summer Conference Preliminary Program

Sheraton Grand Rapids Airport Hotel
Grand Rapids, MI

July 14 - 17, 2025

Conference Schedule

Monday

July 14 | 2025

Pre-Conference

10:30 - 11:30 AM	MCA Finance Committee
12:00 - 1:00 PM	MCA Board of Directors
1:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 - 3:00 PM	MCA Directors Council
1:00 - 6:00 PM	Exhibitor Set Up
3:00 - 6:00 PM	Registration Open
6:30 - 9:00 PM	Directors Dinner

Tuesday

July 15 | 2025

7:30 AM	Registration Desk Open
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 - 9:30 AM	General Session
9:30 - 9:45 AM	Break
9:45 - 11:00 AM	Breakout Sessions
11:00 - 11:15 AM	Break
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM	Breakout Sessions
12:30 - 1:30 PM	Lunch
1:45 - 3:00 PM	Breakout Sessions
3:00 - 3:30 PM	Break
3:30 - 4:45 PM	Breakout Sessions
Dinner on your own	
7:00 - 9:00 PM	Networking Mixer (on the

patio)

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Wednesday

July 16 | 2025

7:30 AM Registration Desk Open 7:30 - 8:30 AM Breakfast General Session 8:30 - 9:30 AM 9:30 - 9:45 AM Break 9:45 - 11:00 AM **Breakout Sessions** 11:00 - 11:15 AM Break 11:15 AM - 12:30 PM **Breakout Sessions** 12:30 - 1:30 PM Lunch **Breakout Sessions** 1:45 - 3:00 PM 3:00 - 3:30PM Break

Breakout Sessions

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LDI Graduation / Dinner

Thursday

July 17 | 2025

7:30 - 8:30 AM Breakfast

8:30 - 9:30 AM General Session

9:30 - 9:45 AM Break

3:30 - 4:45 PM

6:00 - 9:00 PM

9:45 - 11:00 AM Breakout Sessions

11:00 - 11:15 AM Break

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM Breakout Sessions

Featured Speakers

Shannon Cohen, Inc.

Andrew Campbell Introduction to Upward Mobility Framework

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Information is subject to change as speakers and session content continues to be confirmed.

Breakout Sessions

Navigating the Evolving Employee Benefits Landscape	Rose Street Advisors
Beyond the Office: Safe and Successful Off-Site Visits	Community Action Agency
Beyond Compliance: Building Truly Inclusive Communities	Disability Advocates of Kent County
The Early Childhood Investment Corporation as a Community Partner	Early Childhood Investment Corporation
The Partnership Playbook	Michigan State University Extension
"More Than Numbers" Humanizing Community Engagement with Personas	Khamai Strategies
Smart Solutions for the Community Needs Assessment	Mid Michigan Community Action Agency
Implementing Trauma Informed Care	Community Action Agency
Understanding and Working with People in Poverty	Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency
Effective Advocacy to Further Your Mission	Michigan League for Public Policy
Leadership Pathways	Panel
A Collaborative Approach to Building Community Partnerships to Strengthen Families	Michigan Federation for Children and Families
Are You Managing or Leading?	HRM Services, Inc.
Managing a Multi-Generational Workforce	HRM Services, Inc.

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Breakout Sessions

NDD MIN Opportunities	Michigan State Housing Development Authority
From Innovation to Implementation: Creating an Agile Nonprofit Culture	Wayne Metro Community Action Agency
The Heart of Community Support: Wayne Metro's Connect Center - A Model of Efficiency and Impact	Wayne Metro Community Action Agency
Transforming Lives Through Comprehensive Supportive Housing	Wayne Metro Community Action Agency
Exploring Staff and Volunteer Boundaries	Michigan State University Extension
Essential and Creative Approaches for Actionable Data	Public Policy Associates
MI Tri-Share Child Care: Benefits for Employers, Employees, and Child Care Providers	Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential
The Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential (MiLEAP), Office of Early Education	Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential
Nagivating Detours: How to Effectively Lead through Uncertainty and Change	Nonprofit Nav
Empowered Care: CIE and 211 Transforming Lives with the Jackson Care Hub	Michigan 211
Mental Health in the Workplace	BHS Insurance
How to Honor Every Voice: True Collaboration Driven by Communitites	Michigan 211

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Breakout Sessions

Recruitment & Roles in Action

Vision to Action: Driving Impact Through K. Cain Consulting, LLC Strategic Planning

Listening to Lead: Harnessing Community Voices K. Cain Consulting, LLC for Transformative Change

Building Strong Boards: Governance, K. Cain Consulting, LLC

Amplifying Impact: The Power of Storytelling & Northwest Michigan

Community Connection Community Action Agency & New Leonard Media

Lessons Learned from Evaluations of Energy DNV Efficiency Programs for Income Qualified

Populations

Putting the Welcome Mat out for Your

2bl Professional

Organization Development

Introducing Toolkit for Increasing Upward

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Mobility in Your Community

Leadership Pathway: From Emerging Leaders to Panel Excellence

ROMA for Boards MCA/BCAEO

TBD Yeo & Yeo

TBD Walker Miller Energy

Services

TBD Come Alive Creative

Pre-registration is required

Special Sessions / Activities

BCAEO Office Hours BCAEO Staff

Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences - Nonprofit Network
Two Concurrent Sessions and Family Service and

Children's Aid

Media Training Bellwether Public Relations

Weatherization on Wheels: Hands-On Learning with the Weatherization Trailer

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency