# ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE





## The McKinney Foundation

The McKinney Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity formed on February 05, 2010, in Detroit, Michigan, and is established on three pillars: Health, Entrepreneurship, and the Environment. Our core focus is to address educational equity as it relates to ensuring *access and opportunity* to quality programs for all metro Detroiters.

### **Our Mission Statement**

The McKinney Foundation seeks to strengthen the metropolitan Detroit community by reinvesting in the citizenry through quality educational programs that help promote healthy living, entrepreneurship, and environmental responsibility.

### **Vision Statement**

The McKinney Foundation envisions a community with educational equity leading to a healthy and thriving Detroit Metropolitan Area, where each individual is—

- Assured of access to quality education
- Economically empowered
- Environmentally responsible
- Aspiring and striving to reach their full potential
- A productive global citizen

To create this reality, The McKinney Foundation collaborates with like-minded agencies providing quality educational programs.

### **Statement of Core Values**

The values of The McKinney Foundation are—

- Educational equity
- Integrity
- Respect for all people, the community, and the environment
- Responsible governance of time, resources, and talent
- Commitment to excellence
- Collaboration

These core values serve to inform and guide the decisions and actions of The McKinney Foundation as it develops future policies and practices.

The McKinney Foundation is a trusted leader and driving force in bringing about community revitalization, economic empowerment, environmental responsibility, and self-sufficiency by reinvesting in the citizenry of metro Detroit.

Toward this effort, we work collaboratively with existing nonprofit organizations, the business sector, academia, schools, and government agencies to ensure a healthy and thriving metropolitan Detroit. To learn more, please visit our website at www.McKinneyFoundation.org.



### The McKinney Foundation, continued

Our core program areas center on three pillars, which are—

**Health:** (*Programs launched in August 2010*)

Our definition of health is broad. We believe that health is more than just physical well-being. It encompasses an individual's physical, mental, social/behavior, fiscal, and spiritual wellness. Thus, our program offerings reflect this perspective and especially target K-16 students, senior citizens, and new and expectant mothers.

Since the launch of our signature event, "Celebrating a Healthier Detroit" Expo, on August 28, 2010, our initiatives have focused on health issues relevant to metro Detroit. The Expo serves as our major program. Its purpose is to reduce health disparities in the Detroit area by bringing together the greater health and wellness communities and showcasing programs that are free or low cost, especially for metro Detroit residents who are uninsured and underinsured.

### **Our Health Impact**

To improve the health of metro Detroiters by eliminating obesity and diet-related diseases in youth age 0-18 and their families, and bridge the "gap in information" that exists by providing quality education, awareness, and access to relevant resources that promote healthy living.

#### **Entrepreneurship:** (*Programs scheduled to launch fall 2021*)

Small businesses fuel job growth and are key to rebuilding our great city. Entrepreneurs are especially integral to this equation. We believe that Metro Detroit is made up of creative and talented individuals. Future programs are geared toward grades 6 through college and will develop and harness this rich talent by providing access to specialized knowledge, skills, and support systems necessary to develop future entrepreneurs and business leaders. Important to this pillar is asset building, which begins with homeownership. Thus, creating educational programs that create pathways to affordable homeownership is a priority.

### **Our Economic Development Impact**

To revitalize and strengthen Detroit communities by empowering Detroiters, targeting ages 12-30 and their families, through quality education, awareness, and relevant resources in the critical need areas of homeownership, micro and social enterprise, and financial literacy.

### **Environmental Responsibility:** (*Programs scheduled to launch fall 2023*)

As global citizens, it is important to understand how individuals collectively impact the environment both positively and negatively. Our programs will engage K-12 students in STEAMM (science, technology, engineering, arts, medicine, and mathematics) programs, along with their parents and grandparents, to cultivate a respect for the environment, promote sustainable living and careers, and help develop an understanding of the connectivity between people, the land, air, and water.

Ensuring Equity in Education, Awareness, and Access

