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AMERICORPS CLIMATE R.E.A.D.Y.

Wayne State University - Center for Urban Studies

Experiencing a Different Kind of December

Instead of the usual snowy landscapes, 2023 treated us to a wet, cold, and rainy month. Undeterred by the weather, the AmeriCorps Climate READY team seized the opportunity to complete six home walkthroughs and five interventions. In Jefferson-Chalmers, five homes are now equipped with rain barrels and rain gardens, enhancing their resilience to climate change. The highlight of the month was the celebration of AmeriCorps' 30th anniversary at the Kemeny Recreation Center on December 20th, where Climate READY members joined forces with the AmeriCorps Urban Safety (AMUS) and AmeriCorps Community Training (ACT) Programs. A special moment unfolded as Jerry Perrett and Bailey Dozier-Shabazz from our team received the Outstanding Member Award. Cheers to a December filled with meaningful actions and well-deserved recognitions!

Get Involved

Urban climate change is affecting the city of Detroit in major ways.

Support the residents of Detroit in making their homes and neighborhoods more resilient to the effects of climate change!

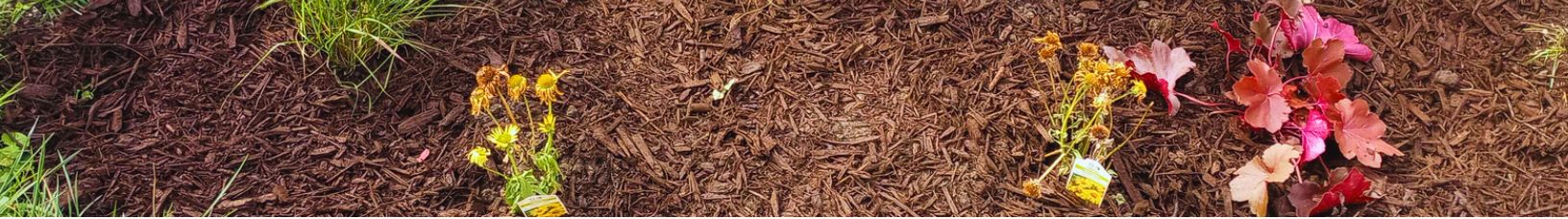
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MLK Day of Service

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024

The Climate READY team kicked off 2024 with an impactful presence at the Kemeny Recreation Center's resource fair, joining forces with fellow AmeriCorps programs like AMUS and ACT. Braving frigid temperatures, our dedicated members canvassed neighborhoods, spreading the word about the upcoming event on MLK Day.

On the big day, the Climate READY team shone brightly, contributing to the distribution of a whopping 2,991 pounds of food to over 100 residents in Southwest Detroit. Not stopping there, participants received crucial vehicle safety gear such as wheel locks and home safety tools like new furnace filters.

Our volunteers engaged in door-to-door outreach, encouraging residents to sign up for a home alert system. Beyond the invaluable equipment, esteemed community organizations including Birthing Detroit, DABO, Inc., Detroit Tree Equity Partnership, and more were on hand to share information about free to low-cost services and programs enhancing the lives and health of Detroit residents.

Adding to the comprehensive support, the Wayne Health Mobile Unit provided free health screenings, flu vaccines, and at-home COVID-19 test kits. The collaborative efforts of the Climate READY team made the Kemeny Resource Fair a resounding success, demonstrating our commitment to fostering a resilient and thriving community.

