WHY WE EXIST

UEDA supports and connects individuals and groups involved in community and economic development and works to enhance Wisconsin’s ability to:

- Attract and retain a talented workforce
- Invest in and support initiatives that strengthen Wisconsin communities and urban neighborhoods
- Recruit and secure new business opportunities

WHAT WE DO

* ORGANIZE and FACILITATE COLLABORATION among individuals, organizations and groups working in community and economic development by:
  - Promoting sustainable homeownership and mitigating the impact of foreclosures
  - Supporting emerging food entrepreneurs
  - Enhancing and developing transportation options
  - Connecting individuals and families to local, professional financial literacy and asset-building resources

* Offer TRAINING and technical assistance to organizations to BUILD their CAPACITY and better serve their clients

* CONNECT organizations and businesses to RESOURCES that assist in enhancing their operations and service capacity

UEDA’S WORK HAS INCREASED THE SERVICE CAPACITY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS:
- Community First, Inc.
- Guest House of Milwaukee
- Harambee Great Neighborhood Initiative
- Layton Boulevard West Neighbors
- Wisconsin Nonprofits Association
- Wisconsin Women’s Business Initiative Corp.

MEMBERSHIP

Since 1997, UEDA has increased communication, coordination and collaboration among its members, assisting in elevating their work in an impactful way through a diverse network and access to best practices and model programs. Our members are comprised of nearly 200 individuals from over 65 nonprofits, businesses and government agencies. Learn more about becoming a UEDA Member at www.uedawi.org.

UEDA’s success is directly connected to the support of our members, sponsors and donors, who remain engaged through our programs, initiatives, events and celebrations.

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