

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBER BENEFITS BREAKDOWN

BENEFITS		MOVEMENT BUILDER	CORE MEMBER
Annual Dues		\$500	\$250
CORE BENEFITS	Voting Membership	☀️	☀️
	Environmental Council Board Membership eligibility	☀️	☀️
	Use of our LEED certified office downtown Lansing	☀️	☀️
	Ability to nominate volunteers for Petoskey Prize (\$5,000 prize if your nominee is selected)	☀️	☀️
	Movement Fund (grant support for your campaigns)	☀️	
DRIVE POLICY AGENDA	Access to our policy experts	☀️	☀️
	Access to weekly policy calls with legislative updates	☀️	☀️
	Access to Council Meetings with administration leaders	☀️	☀️
	Participation in MEC's biennial Policy Agenda process	☀️	☀️
	Cohost listing on our annual Lawmaker Policy Breakfast	☀️	☀️
NETWORK ACROSS MI	Access to our exclusive monthly Member Newsletter	☀️	☀️
	Access to the private, digital Michigan ECOSystem	☀️	☀️
	Private team space in the digital Michigan ECOSystem	☀️	
	One admission to the Annual MEC Awards Dinner	☀️	☀️
	One admission to the ECOSystem Member Conference	☀️	
STRENGTHEN YOUR ORG	Discounts on general MEC event tickets	2x ☀️	☀️
	Fiscal sponsorship / back office service contracts	☀️	☀️
	Access to professional development trainings	☀️	☀️
	Priority access to trainings	☀️	☀️
	Discounts on training costs	☀️	
Priority invitations to grant partnerships	☀️		

Voting members form the backbone of our organization and drive our agenda. If your organization cannot afford membership, please talk to us about a dues discount or waiver. Not ready for voting membership? Talk to us about affiliate status for \$100 by contacting Engagement Coordinator Abby Wallace at abby@environmentalcouncil.org.

MEET YOUR REP!



Abby Wallace
Engagement Coordinator

Abby is your eyes and ears within our team. She works to build relationships with our members to ensure their work, needs, and goals are represented in key conversations.

Learn more about membership by contacting Abby at abby@environmentalcouncil.org or by scanning this QR code.



Discover ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP





WHY BECOME A MEMBER?

Since 1980 the Environmental Council has been a convening place for our state's most impactful environment and conservation organizations (ECOs). We know that organizations like yours possess unique knowledge and influence to make Michigan a national environmental policy leader. You will join a powerful network of advocates calling for enduring and equitable policies that protect the health of our communities and offer unparalleled stewardship of our land, air, and water.

DRIVE THE LANSING POLICY AGENDA

To build the future we want for Michigan, we have to drive systemic change in the capital. Our ability to work with with policymakers across political divides, build uncommonly effective campaigns, and get things done in Lansing is what defines us. As a member organization, you'll help us craft a visionary policy agenda that puts our people, and this place we love, first.

NETWORK ACROSS THE STATE

From Detroit to Menominee, Kalamazoo to the Sault, Environmental Council members represent every community and provide expertise on every environmental challenge facing the state. As a member you'll be connected to this deep and expansive network, amplifying your own knowledge and capacities and building the strength of our movement to call for progress.

STRENGTHEN YOUR ORGANIZATION

Our Environmental Council members are driving critical impact on the ground in communities across Michigan. We believe in the important work your team tackles day-to-day, and we strive to be a catalyst for support. In 2023, we facilitated more than \$2 million in spending on member-driven projects and priorities, from court battles to advocacy campaigns. We know that when you succeed, so does our movement.



Top benefits

Read more about the Michigan ECOSystem on [page 6](#) of our 2023 ECOSystems Magazine.

PETOSKEY PRIZE

Member organizations nominate outstanding volunteers to receive the Petoskey Prize, and \$5,000 is awarded to the member organization that nominates the winner.

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MI ECOSYSTEM

All members have access to the Michigan ECOSystem, a private digital community. Movement Builders can build private spaces within the network for their team.

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FISCAL SPONSORSHIP

Start-up and early stage nonprofits can leverage our 501c3 status and our professional staff to help them focus energy on their missions rather than administration or back office functions.

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MEC CONFERENCE

At our annual conference, you can connect with fellow ECOs, attend trainings, and vote to elect MEC board members. Movement Builders receive one complimentary admission.

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MOVEMENT FUND

We maintain an endowed fund to support multi-member actions on strategically significant issues that build momentum. Movement Builders can apply for grants of \$250 to \$1,500.

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PRIORITY PARTNERS

In 2023, we passed through more than \$363,000 in grant funding to member organizations through a collaborative grant process. Movement Builders have priority access as partners on grants.

MOVEMENT BUILDER



As an MEC member, you have immediate access to our historic, Platinum LEED-certified office space in downtown Lansing, just minutes from the Capitol.



Our membership spans 100 organizations (and growing). Amongst our people, you'll find advocates working on every conceivable issue, all who want to connect and collaborate.



Whether it's the Governor's office, the Legislature, key coalitions, or other state agencies, we have a seat at the tables where decisions are being made, representing you.

Discover a complete breakdown of membership benefits

