

Diane Van Buren | President

Education

Eastern Michigan University | Ypsilanti, MI
Masters of Historic Preservation - 2012

Michigan State University: Great Lakes Academy | East Lansing, MI
Professional Development - 2008

Michigan State University: College of Education | East Lansing, MI
Bachelors of Arts and Teaching Certificate, High Honors - 1976

Work

Zachary and Associates, Inc. | Present
President & Principal in Charge

Consulting with community organizations, colleges and building owners to develop green sustainable community plans. Oversees planning and historic preservation projects.

WARM Training Center | 2007 - 2009
Rebuild Michigan Detroit Director

Directed state grant for developing energy efficiency workshops and promoting green building incentives to commercial building and nonprofit organizations.

Nonprofit Finance Fund | 2001 - 2007
Nonprofit Facilities Center Director

Directed state grant for developing energy efficiency workshops and promoting green building incentives to commercial building and nonprofit organizations.

Zachary and Associates, Inc. | 1989 - 2001
Community Economic Development Consultant

Consulted on historic preservation, neighborhood and economic planning for client base that included nonprofit organizations, civic, educational and for profit businesses.

Old Redford Main Street Project | 1985 - 1989
Main Street Manager

Developed pilot program for Urban Main Street Program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Detroit, Michigan utilizing principles of design, organization, economic and promotions.

Detroit Public Schools | 1976 - 1985
Elementary School Teacher

Taught variety of grades and programs including innovative multi-disciplinary program of art, music and drama to develop reading skills in urban elementary schools.

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Select Representative Projects

Sustainability Planning/Green Buildings

Renovation of 449 W. Willis, Current
Renovation of Newberry Hall, 2011
Deconstruction & Reuse of Material Project,
2011
Renovation of 71 Garfield, 2010

Nonprofit/Civic Planning Engagement

The Villages Market Assessment & Charette,
2010
American Institute of Architects Sustainable
Design Team Assessment Detroit 2010
Hamtramck Deconstruction project, 2011

Adaptive re-use/Market Analysis

Market Demand for housing & adaptive reuse
in Hamtramck Michigan, 2011
Adaptive Reuse of 71 Garfield, Detroit as a
green facility, 2010
Sustainable redevelopment of IHM
Motherhouse and campus, 1999-2001
Adaptive reuse of Tiger Stadium, 1999-2000
Adaptive reuse of Detroit Boat Club, 1997
Market Demand Analysis for Downtown
Detroit Housing, 1997

Speaking & Lectures

University of Detroit Mercy School of Architecture
University of Michigan Center for Nonprofit Management
Wayne State University College of Urban, labor and Metropolitan Affairs
Eastern Michigan University Historic Preservation Program
College for Creative Studies (Detroit)
University of Michigan School of Public Policy
University of Michigan School of Architecture
Michigan Nonprofit Association
Council of Michigan Foundations
Michigan Downtown Development Association
Technische Univeristat, Vienna, Austria
Politechnika Warszawska, Poland
Columbia University Graduate Design program
National Trust for Historic Preservation National Conference
Henry Ford Community College - Deconstruction course instructor
Great Lakes Bioneers conference - "City Chickens 101"

Publications & Workshops

Detroit Re-Nailed Symposium on Deconstruction | 2012
Detroit Economic Growth Corporation Smart Buildings Energy Efficiency workshops | 2011
Nonprofit Finance Fund workshop series on facility development/green facilities | 2002 -
2007
Loft Development in Detroit | 1997 - 2000
"Why Detroit?" | 1995 & 1996
UCCA/Woodward Corridor Charrette | 1995
National Trust For Historic Preservation Main Street Detroit Conference | 1993

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Community Service

AIA Detroit Committee on the Environment, Chairman | 2012

Neighbor to Neighbor Founding Board – Michigan Timebanks | 2010-2011

Masters Rowing Coach and Women's Crew | 1999 - Present

Detroit Agriculture Network garden Program Member | 2008 - Present

Historic Indian Village Association Resident and Member | 2006 - Present

American Institute of Architects National Board of Directors Public Member | 2007 - 2008

Wayne State University Honors College Board of Visitors Chairman | 2007 - 2011