



# Detroit CDFI Coalition

October 7, 2022



Re: OFN Board Election



Dear OFN Members,



The Detroit CDFI Coalition is proud to support Christine Coady Narayanan for the Opportunity Finance Network (OFN) Board. She is the longstanding President & CEO of Opportunity Resource Fund (OppFund) and Chair of our Detroit CDFI Coalition.



We are a collaborative group of sixteen (16) CDFIs and several Detroit stakeholders/partners all working together to strategically expand CDFI investment, loans, and banking services within the city of Detroit. Our mission is to promote community development, stimulate growth, promote local employment, and revitalize strong and healthy neighborhoods that are good places to live, work, shop, and play. Our members have invested over \$1.5 billion in Detroit to date.



Christi has been a great leader for our Coalition and was an integral part of its creation several years ago. Her commitment to our CDFI community is evidenced by her passion for the work we do and her increasing goal of reaching a greater number of impact borrowers each year.



Many of our Coalition members also hold membership in OFN. We are delighted that Christi is running for the OFN Board. We believe it is important to have a board member providing representation for the Midwest region. We are confident that she would be a beneficial addition to an already dynamic board providing valuable insight into our ongoing work in this region.



If you have any questions about Christi or the Detroit CDFI Coalition, please reach out to Jennifer Hayes at Invest Detroit ([jennifer.hayes@investdetroit.com](mailto:jennifer.hayes@investdetroit.com)). She is our Vice Chair and heads our policy committee. Thank you in advance for your support!



Sincerely,



*Detroit CDFI Coalition Members*

