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Creekside CDC receives assistance with 10-unit housing project

Paul Green of Clark Hill PLC, Mitch Meisner and Margaret Green of Honigman, Gary Toth of GM legal staff



Paul Green of [Clark Hill PLC](#) has generously volunteered his time and expertise to assist Creekside CDC with its most recent affordable housing project. This effort has also received the invaluable assistance of Mitch Meisner and Margaret Green of [Honigman, Miller, Schwartz and Cohn LLP](#), as well as Gary Toth of [General Motors](#) legal staff.



CLR is thrilled that this team has come together to help Creekside continue its efforts to preserve and beautify Detroit's Jefferson Chalmers neighborhood and create 10 units of affordable housing for eligible families.

Legal Teams off to a great start!

Thanks to all the participating firms

CLR was overwhelmed with the response we received to our request for volunteer attorneys to work on four new legal teams. The teams are addressing cutting-edge issues of great interest and concern to our clients. We anticipate great results. CLR wants to thank the following firms and attorneys for their participation:

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- [Butzel Long](#) (Bloomfield Hills) - Brent Warner
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- Foley & Lardner LLP (Chicago) - Katherine O'Brien

- [Honigman](#) - Jennifer Benedict, Linda S. Ross
- [Trinity Health Systems](#) - Josh Moore

Legal audits for New Detroit Compassion Capital Fund Awardees

General Motors, Dykema, and Bodman hold legal audit clinics



New Detroit Compassion Capital Fund awardees benefited from the assistance of a number of CLR volunteer attorneys through individual legal audits.

On April 13, [Bodman](#) volunteers held legal audits for awardees and on April 27, [General Motors](#) and [Dykema](#) volunteers held audits. GM attorneys conducted the actual audit and Dykema attorneys agreed to handle any identified legal issues.

This work was assisted by Chris Ballard of Bodman, who held a training session for GM and Dykema volunteers. Also, Jane Forbes of Dykema and Randy Perry, retired from Bodman, revised the audit questions. What a great team effort that resulted in services to twenty organizations!

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