



Welcome to the Village of Ellsworth Downtown Development Authority!

We're glad to have you with us and thanks for your willingness to serve your community in this important role. Over the coming months you'll be gaining firsthand experience in how this board supports our community as it grows. But to get you started, check out the resources below for information on how the Downtown Development Authority operates and where you can get some basic training on topics related to your new role.

- Downtown Development Authority description/purpose: <https://www.michiganbusiness.org/49478e/globalassets/documents/reports/fact-sheets/downtowndevelopmentauthority.pdf>
 - Public act 27 of 2018: <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/Laws/MCL?objectName=MCL-ACT-57-OF-2018>
 - Training Opportunities: <https://www.miplace.org/>
 - Michigan Open Meetings Act: <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/mcl/pdf/mclact-267-of-1976.pdf> and information sheet: <https://www.michigan.gov/libraryofmichigan/-/media/Project/Websites/libraryofmichigan/For-Libraries/Administration/LibraryLaw/Open-Meetings-Act/Open-Meetings-Act-Info-Sheet.pdf>
 - Michigan Freedom of Information Act: <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/documents/mcl/pdf/mcl-act-442-of-1976.pdf>
Village of Ellsworth Information
 - Master Plan: <https://villageofellsworthmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/1803-EllsworthMasterPlan2017.pdf>
Planning and Zoning Essentials – Training Resources
- Note: DDA members have access to funds for training – talk to the Village Clerk for details on how to use those funds.
- MSU Extension Citizen Planner (online or in-person): <https://www.canr.msu.edu>
 - Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Best Practice Training (online or in person)