



# MICHIGAN Restorative Justice Summit

## Reclaiming a culture of healing

Thursday, October 30 - Friday, October 31, 2025  
Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI

(General programming will take place on the second floor of the EMU Student Center unless otherwise noted)

Thursday, October 30, 2025				
8:00 - 9:00	<b>Registration Breakfast</b>			
9:00 - 10:30	<b>Keynote</b> <i>Fania Davis</i> , Social justice activist; Civil rights trial attorney; author; educator			
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Break</b>			
10:45 - 12:15	<b>Concurrent Sessions (Third floor rooms)</b>			
	<b>RJ Facilitator Skills Building</b>	<b>Systems Change</b>	<b>Youth &amp; Schools</b>	<b>Community Support Circles &amp; Spaces</b>
	<b>310A</b>	<b>310B</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>300</b>
	<b>Breakout 1:</b> Restorative Justice in All Spaces: Returning to Ancestral Wisdom for Healing and Accountability (Fernandez / Wraight)	<b>Breakout 2:</b> Standing Up for Each Other: Exploring Restorative and Transformative Justice with Cleveland Youth (Celeste / Broadnax / Hubbard)	<b>Breakout 3:</b> I Don't Have Time for a Circle! — Embedding Restorative Principles in Everyday Classroom Interactions (Murua / Gilman)	<b>Community Circle:</b> DRC Community Circle - AYE
12:15 - 1:45	<b>LUNCH</b>			
1:45 - 3:15	<b>Concurrent Sessions (Third floor rooms)</b>			
	<b>310A</b>	<b>310B</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>300</b>
	<b>Breakout 1:</b> Guidebook for the People: Stories for Change and Transformation (Ford / Matthews / Ng)	<b>Breakout 2:</b> Restorative Data Justice: Repairing Algorithmic Harm and Reclaiming Digital Equity in Education (Cruze)	<b>Breakout 3:</b> Youth-Led Circles: Peacekeeping as Praxis (Fardig-Diop / Harris)	<b>Community Support Space</b> Demarra West
3:15 - 3:45	<b>Break</b>			
3:45 - 5:15	<b>Concurrent Sessions (Third floor rooms)</b>			
	<b>310A</b>	<b>310B</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>300</b>
	<b>Breakout 1:</b> Conflict Coaching Workshop (Stanley / Stanley)	<b>Breakout 2:</b> RJ Program Impact Report- deflection/diversion (TBD Speakers)	<b>Breakout 3:</b> Telling It: Embodying What Incarceration Is NOT, A Liberatory Methodology for Healing and Transformative Justice (Gordon-Gurfinkel / Kundrat / Weston / Third)	<b>Community Circle:</b> Nancy Terhar - FORJ
5:15-6:45	<b>Happy Hour/Strolling Reception</b>			

Friday, October 31, 2025				
8:00 - 9:00	<b>Registration Breakfast</b>			
9:00 - 10:30	<b>Keynote</b>			
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Break</b>			
10:45 - 12:15	<b>Concurrent Sessions (Third floor rooms)</b>			
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	<b>Breakout 1:</b> The Power of Healing Circles (Sekulidis / Brown)	<b>Breakout 2:</b> The Intersection of Health and Justice (Witten / Anderson)	<b>Breakout 3:</b> Healing Schools: Using Restorative Practices to Transform School Culture (Weiss / Mueller Johnson)	<b>Community Circle:</b> TBD
12:15 - 1:45	<b>Lunch</b>			
1:45 - 3:15	<b>Concurrent Sessions (Third floor rooms)</b>			
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	<b>Breakout 1:</b> The Waves We Give and How We Ride Them (Nakai / Zachariah)	<b>Breakout 2:</b> A Crash Course in Using RJ to Resolve Criminal Cases (Partridge)	<b>Breakout 3:</b> From Participants to Partners (Jackson)	<b>Community Circle:</b> TBD
3:30 - 4:00	<b>Closing Remarks/Call to Action</b>			