

GREAT LAKES TRIBAL ECONOMIC SUMMIT AGENDA



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Grand Valley State University
Seidman College of Business

50 Front Ave. NW

Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022

REGISTRATION OPENS 7:30 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST 7:30 am

**WELCOME/LAND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/
OPENING REMARKS** 8:30 am

SESSION #1 9:00 am

Tribal Economic Development Project Update

Tribal economic development executives will provide an update report on the business development and economic development projects they're working on in 2022-2023. We've asked them to talk about the projects they have underway, how they fit into their overall growth strategy and what they mean to the tribe in terms of ROI and job growth.

SESSION #2 10:00 am

Tribal Council / Tribal EDOs Working Together

Two tribal economic development leaders will share concrete details of how they work with tribal leaders to ensure that everyone is on the same page about strategy, roles, finance and delivering economic benefits to the tribe and its citizens.

BREAK 11:00 am

SESSION #3 11:15 am

Funding Tribal Enterprise/ Economic Development Projects

Panel discussion with three economic development specialists from across the region, including state- and federal-level experts who are working with tribes in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. They'll talk about recent projects and funding opportunities for 2023.



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LUNCH/KEYNOTE

12:15 pm

SESSION #4

1:35 pm

Funding Tribal Enterprise/ Federal Infrastructure Act

Panel discussion with federal agency officials responsible for working with Native American tribes. We'll ask them about funding available under legislation like the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Act, as well as how to navigate the funding maze and examples of projects that are happening in Indian Country.

SESSION #5

2:45 pm

Building a Dynamic/ Resilient Tribal Economy

Tribal economic development leaders and Native finance executives will share concrete examples of projects they're working on that can help tribes foster a dynamic and resilient business environment on their tribal lands and among tribal citizens.

Q&A WRAP-UP

3:45 pm

CLOSING REMARKS

4:05 pm

RECEPTION

4:15 - 5:30 pm

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