

September 10, 2021

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Budget and Finance

From: Daniel Bollman Daniel Abdum

Vice President for Strategic Infrastructure Planning and Facilities

**Subject:** Authorization to Plan

**Multicultural Center** 

## RECOMMENDATION

The Trustee Committee on Budget and Finance recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to plan for a multicultural center for the campus community.



Office of the Vice President

for Strategic

Infrastructure

Planning and

**Facilities** 

# **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby authorizes the Administration to plan for the project entitled "Multicultural Center."

## **BACKGROUND**

In collaboration with the MSU community, the Multicultural Center Feasibility study was launched in November 2019. The study developed a comprehensive framework for a campus multicultural center that would support the overall mission and goals of Michigan State University to foster a diverse, inclusive, and equitable environment. It assembled the necessary information as a precursor to moving the project forward into the planning and design process including site locations.

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# **Description of Project:**

The project is anticipated to include spaces for meetings, activities, study, student organizations, community kitchen, reflection, and personal health. There will also be support space for catering, along with common areas for exhibits, receptions, and informal gathering. The project will support programming that will build on existing programs and facilities and strive to create an inclusive community that meets our diverse student population's social, emotional, and intellectual development in a 21st-century context.

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Two sites remain under consideration for the Multicultural Center: International Center addition and/or renovation on Shaw Lane, or a new building on the northeast corner of Shaw Lane and Farm Lane. Both options are in the central academic district.

## **Communication Plan:**

Input will continue to be solicited from the campus community during the planning phase.

# **Preliminary Project Cost Information**

The planning for this project will incur costs for consultants, designers, and cost estimating. The source of funds for the project is expected to be from the general fund and gifts.

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# **PROPOSED SITES**

