



## Vision

An anti-racist community where all Latine reclaim their power and thrive.

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## Land and People Acknowledgement

We want to begin our ELLAS gathering with a Land and Peoples acknowledgment.

We recognize that our country was built on Indigenous land and we pay tribute to the Indigenous nations who have stewarded these lands, these waters, and animals for centuries through today. We honor and appreciate the land on which we stand, offering gratitude and appreciation to the traditional and contemporary stewards of this land, the Anishinaabek, the Council of Three Fires which include the Odawa, Ojibwe, and Bodéwadmi, also known as Ottawa, Chippewa, and Potawatomi Tribes.

We also acknowledge the people of African descent who were stolen from their land and separated from their families through the enslavement holocaust; and pay reverence and respect to them for building this country's infrastructure and economy with no compensation or reparations to date.

Please take a moment to consider the many legacies of violence, displacement, migration, and settlement that bring us together here today while we also find inspiration from this land and the waters.

*\*This acknowledgement is adapted from TRHT Battle Creek and TRHT Kalamazoo.*

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## Mission

To reclaim our power as Latine leaders, allies and accomplices to become bridge builders and anti-racist change agents in Southwest Michigan.

