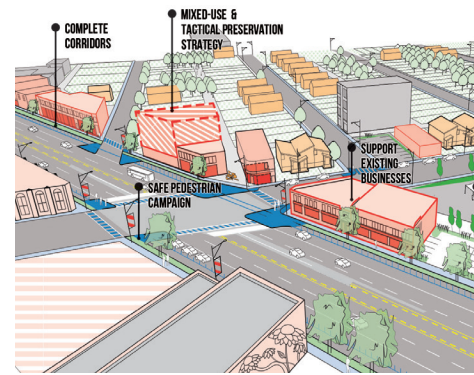
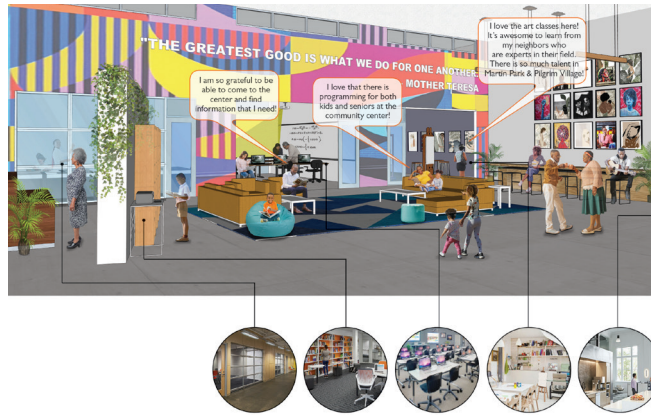


# PUBLIC INTEREST DESIGN (PID) FELLOWSHIP



## DCDC IS HIRING!

The Detroit Collaborative Design Center (DCDC) is a multidisciplinary, nonprofit design center based in the University of Detroit Mercy's School of Architecture and Community Development. DCDC exists to bring high-quality and community-engaged design to all neighborhoods in Detroit. We do this by engaging, educating and promoting equity in design processes and outcomes. We work with community partners citywide on a range of projects at different scales, prioritizing participation in the planning and design process with the belief that local expertise leads to the best ideas and solutions.

In the fields of design today, communities of color are poorly represented. It is essential that public interest design shift toward a profession that reflects the community it serves, particularly in Detroit. DCDC aims to contribute to that shift. We know that missing links in the path toward a career in architecture include early career opportunities that help designers gain a foothold in the profession. The Public Interest Design Fellowship will offer recent graduates an opportunity to gain their first professional experience in a PID office and start building a network in the field. Fellows will work on DCDC projects, learning and practicing community engagement, professional office systems, and architecture, landscape and urban design skills.

DCDC is seeking young designers that are eager to gain experience in public interest design. The PID Fellow will be an integral part of the DCDC team, and they will be responsible for day-to-day development of project documents and deliverables. Applicants should be interested in working collaboratively with community stakeholders and other project partners, and experience with and/or exposure to community design is a plus. Additionally, they should be highly motivated, organized and self-directed. Candidates should be recent graduates with an undergraduate or graduate degree in architecture, landscape architecture and/or urban design with 0-3 years of related work experience. Must be familiar with InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, AutoCAD, and SketchUp.

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**Position details:**

18 month fellowship  
\$50,000 annual salary  
Full time, salaried with benefits  
Computer and software provided

**Essential Duties**

- Collaborate with DCDC project teams and community partners on community engagement, design development and project deliverables.
- Exposure to project management skills.
- General office administration.
- Professional development (including attending conferences and participating in trainings) and receiving mentoring from senior DCDC staff.

**To apply, please visit:**

<https://www.dcdc-udm.org/pidfellow>

**Application materials include a cover letter, resume and work samples:**

- Your cover letter should describe why you are interested in the PID Fellowship with DCDC and your relevant background.
- Your resume should include academic background and work experience.
- Your work samples should include academic and/or professional projects that illustrate your design and representation skills.

**Applications are due Friday, August 4, 2023 by 5:00pm EST. Anticipated start date is the end of September, 2023.**

*Interviews will be held:*

*August 16th between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm EST*

*August 17th between 11:00 am and 3:30 pm EST*

*If needed, August 23rd between 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm EST*

**For more information about DCDC: [www.dcdc-udm.org](http://www.dcdc-udm.org)**

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