

# Curriculum Vita

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[Urban Growth Initiative for Greater Downtown Kalamazoo](#). March 20, 2018. [Supported by the City of Kalamazoo and the Brownfield Development Authority] (with Jim Robey, Randall W. Eberts, Lee Adams, Kathleen Bolter, Don Edgerly, Marie Holler, and Brian Pittelko).

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