

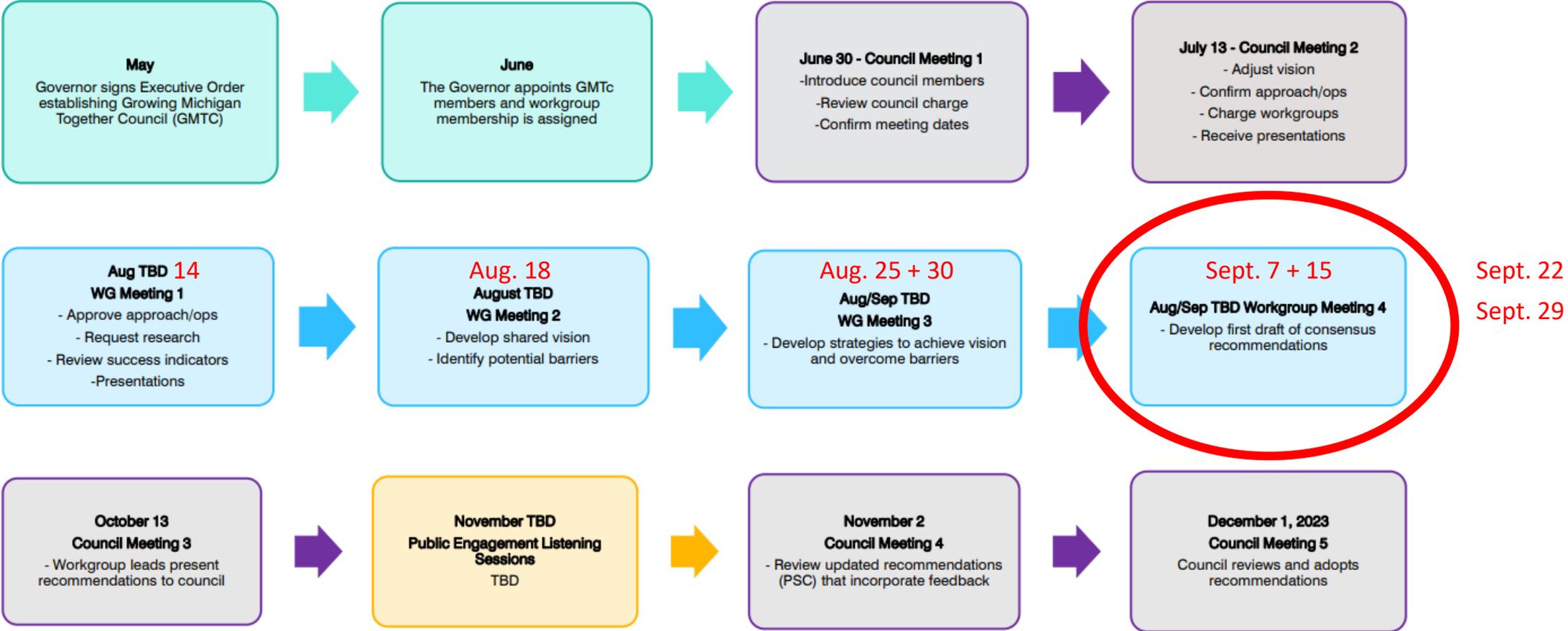
Growing Michigan Together Council

Overview:

- Established June 1 at Mackinac Policy Conf.
- Tasked with developing a statewide strategy to attract and retain talent, improve education, and modernize transportation and water infrastructure to 21st century standards
- Co-Chaired by Ambassador John Rakolta Jr. and Shirley Stancato
- 28 members (7 non-voting)
- Four Workgroups:
 - Jobs, Talent, and People
 - Infrastructure and Places
 - PreK-12 Education
 - Higher Education



Council Timeline



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Higher Education Workgroup

Higher Education Workgroup objective

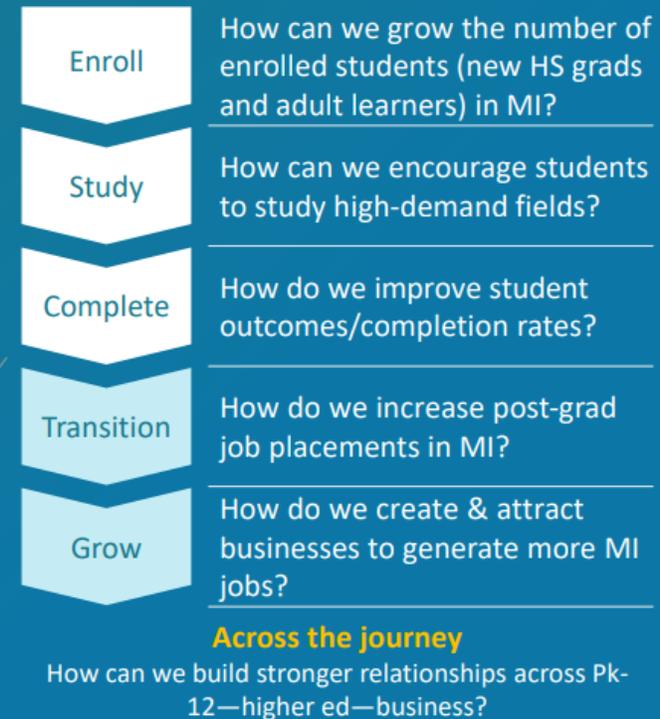
Goal: Propose long-term, sustainable, and equitable funding solutions for Michigan's postsecondary education system, including student financial aid, to help meet the 2050 population goal identified in the report. To do so, the group will...

Consider the need to **improve college access and success**, lower costs, and provide education and training that **meets the demands of the state's economy**

Consider and build on the existing efforts within the **Office of Sixty by 30** and make recommendations to achieve and exceed this goal

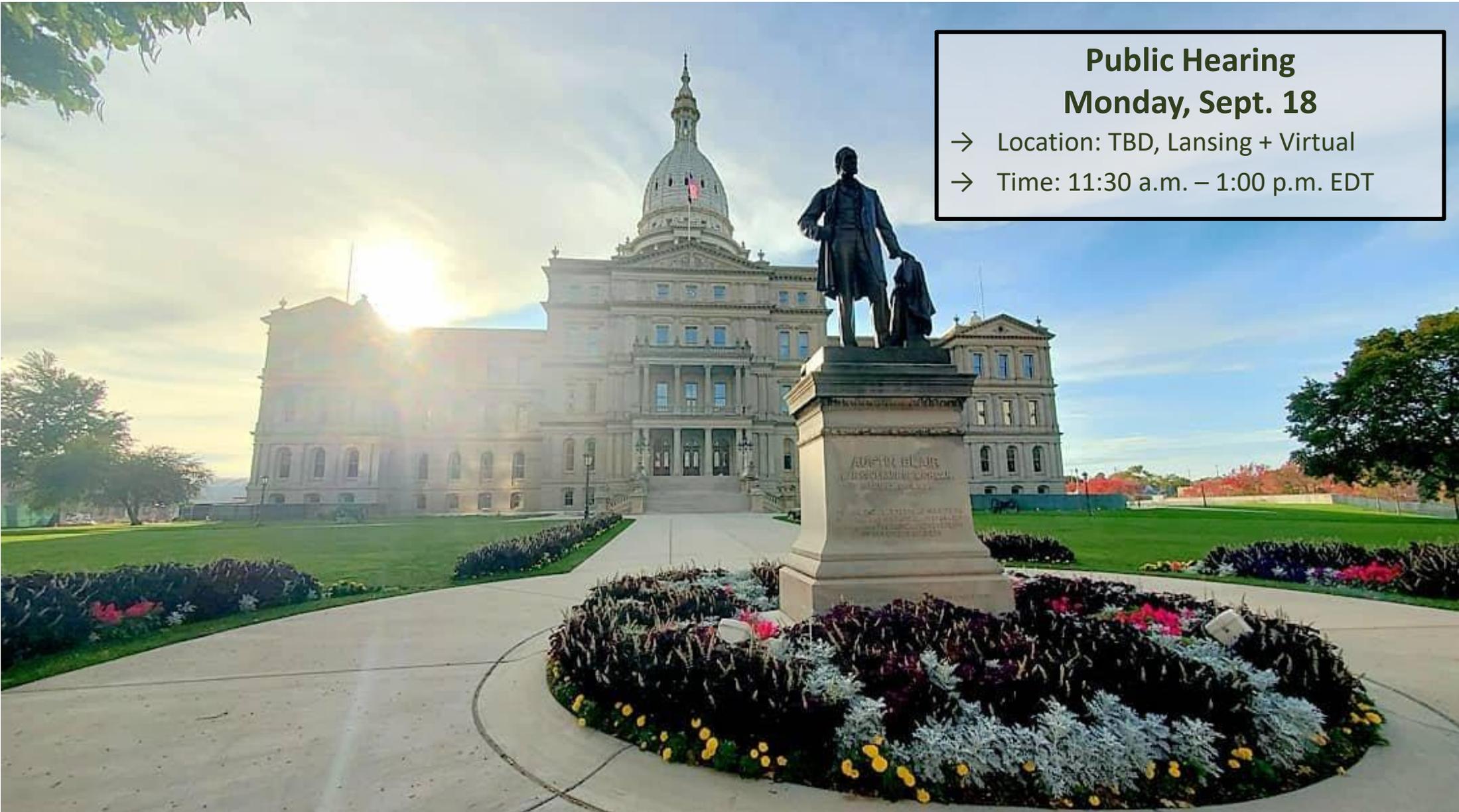
Propose solutions to **retain talent in the state** at the critical transition point **post-graduation**

Charge of this group aligns to the student journey



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A photograph of the Michigan State Capitol building in Lansing, Michigan, featuring a large central dome and classical architectural details. In the foreground, a bronze statue of Austin Blair stands on a stone pedestal, surrounded by a circular garden bed with various plants and flowers. The scene is set against a bright sky with the sun low on the horizon, creating a lens flare effect.

Public Hearing
Monday, Sept. 18

→ Location: TBD, Lansing + Virtual

→ Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. EDT



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