

Lal Tluangi is a passionate public service professional committed to advancing equity, inclusion, and community connection. With a strong belief that meaningful change starts at the local level, she has dedicated her career to helping create environments where every individual feels seen, heard, and valued.

Her journey with the City of Kalamazoo began as an Administrative Coordinator in the City Manager's Office. In that role, she supported city leadership, managed key projects, and developed a comprehensive understanding of municipal operations. This experience sparked her passion for equity-centered work and deepened her desire to build stronger relationships between local government and the communities it serves.

Driven by this calling, she transitioned into the role of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Coordinator. There, she led inclusive initiatives, facilitated community engagement, and helped shape programming that reflected the diverse needs of Kalamazoo residents. Currently serving as the City's DEI Specialist, Lal Tuangi continues to grow this work—designing impactful training sessions, coordinating equity-focused events, and contributing to the development of policies that promote fairness and belonging.

Her approach is rooted in active listening, thoughtful collaboration, and a belief in the power of small, intentional actions. She is especially passionate about fostering inclusive dialogue, building trust across communities, and ensuring that public service reflects the values of justice and respect for all.