

## **Vince Ziols**

Vince's assignment as the transportation fellow with the **Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge (DRIWR)** will be to improve access to the DRIWR by utilizing alternative modes of transportation, such as bike and pedestrian access. He will achieve this by creating a 5-year Transportation Status Report, reaching out to stakeholders throughout the region to support and regionally promote the public amenities of the refuge. Vince earned Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Dayton and a Master of Urban Planning and Policy from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Some of his past work consisted of placemaking initiatives in urban communities, creation of equitable

transportation plans for the far south side of Chicago, assisting small businesses become more sustainable, research into reducing urban waste (especially reduction of food waste by compost systems), and organizing a network of stewards and community groups to care for and utilize urban wildlife habitats.