



2022

**PROSPERITY  
INDIANA  
SUMMIT**

***Connect to Effect:***

***Building an Equitable Economy for All Hoosiers***

**REQUEST FOR SESSION PROPOSALS**

**DUE:** **Friday, October 29, 2021, by 5:00 pm (Eastern Time)**

**IMPORTANT:** Proposals must meet the criteria outlined in this call for sessions.

**EVENT DATE:** The 2022 Prosperity Indiana Summit will take place *virtually* on February 17, 2022.

## **ABOUT PROSPERITY INDIANA**

For more than 35 years, Prosperity Indiana (PI) has created economic opportunities for Hoosiers, particularly those who are most disadvantaged. PI builds a better future for our communities through advocacy and programs that strengthen family economic success and improve lives.

Prosperity Indiana impacts:

- Communities by promoting Comprehensive Community Development efforts across the state to grow healthy, vibrant, and inclusive communities.
- Individuals by fostering innovation in financial capability and asset-building strategies to increase economic resiliency.
- Organizations by improving capacity to enhance impact and track progress of their work.

## **SUMMIT OVERVIEW**

### **Goal**

The 2022 Prosperity Indiana Summit will energize and inspire 200-300 community economic development professionals to build an equitable economy through policy, programs, and philanthropic investments. Balancing theory and practice, the Summit will catalyze asset-building strategies, affordable housing opportunities, and system change to impact racial, health, gender, age, and economic disparities within Indiana's rural, urban, and suburban communities.

### **Guiding Value**

Social justice is a core value of PI's work and must be reflected in what we do. The 2022 Summit, and the work it catalyzes, must play a leading role in advancing equity in Indiana. It is apparent that community-based organizations (CBOs) have critical roles to play in Indiana's post-pandemic recovery agenda. CBOs must ensure equitable resource distribution, authentic

engagement, and accountability in local, state, and national recovery efforts. And, this must be done with a value and vision for advancing racial equity and dismantling structural racism. Summit sessions should provide thought-provoking content and/or catalyze conversations outlining specific roles CBOs can play in supporting an equitable recovery through programs, policies, and philanthropy. This includes multi-generational or 2-Gen asset-building programs, policies for equitable distribution of ARPA funds, and impact grants from community foundations and United Ways. Actualizing equity requires our sector to not only discuss equity issues but embed them in our cross-sector work.

Target Audience

PI’s annual Summit provides value for 200-300 individuals from across the community economic development sector. Attendees will represent various experience levels and industries throughout Indiana such as: affordable housing developers, human service providers, social service agencies, local units of governments, financial institutions, academia, United Ways, and community foundations.

Summit Tracks and Sessions

The Summit will begin with a keynote address delivered by Reverend Dr. Starsky Wilson, President & CEO of the Children’s Defense Fund. Reverend Dr. Starsky will discuss the critical role community-based organizations play in recovery efforts and share a vision for addressing structural racism to ensure *every* Hoosier thrives. A series of three breakout sessions will follow the keynote address empowering participants to learn and discuss how Policies, Programs, Philanthropy, and Performance can be utilized to craft an equitable economy.

Presenters are encouraged to craft their sessions with the goal of creating an equitable recovery within the **Policy | Programs | Philanthropy | Performance** framework. For the Summit, Prosperity Indiana defines the framework as follows:

| TERM            | DEFINITION  | EXAMPLES   |
|-----------------|---|--|
| <b>PROGRAMS</b> | An integrated set of resources and activities providing a service to clients. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Activities to help multiple generations break the cycle of poverty.</li> <li>▪ Affordable housing’s role in family economic success.</li> <li>▪ Integrating education, arts, and human services to strengthen community economic vitality.</li> </ul> |

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| <b>POLICY</b>                 | A deliberate system to guide decisions and achieve outcomes. A policy is a statement of intent implemented as a procedure or protocol. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Influencing regulations limiting or supporting affordable housing development.</li> <li>▪ Policies to support inclusive economic growth.</li> </ul>      |
| <b>PHILANTHROPY</b>           | Investments, for the public good, focusing on quality of life.   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Resources and investments to impact an equitable economy.</li> <li>▪ The equitable distribution of resources narrowing Indiana’s wealth gaps.</li> </ul> |
| <b>PERFORMANCE (CAPACITY)</b> | A wide range of capabilities, knowledge, and resources that nonprofits need in order to be effective.                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Strategic planning</li> <li>▪ Finance</li> <li>▪ Community engagement</li> <li>▪ Personnel management</li> <li>▪ Talent development</li> </ul>           |

Please keep the following in mind when designing your summit proposal.

- Each track will be **sixty (60) minutes** in length.
- **Session proposals must align with both the summit focus (building an equitable recovery) and a specific track (program, policy, philanthropy, or performance).**
- Sessions must be **non-promotional**.
- Proposals should indicate **no more than three presenters/speakers/panelists**. Further consideration will be given to those proposals that demonstrate collaboration with speakers from other organizations. Prosperity Indiana reserves the right to merge proposals on similar topics within a given track.
- Presenters/speakers/panelists should keep in mind that the **Summit is virtual**. It is important to have reliable Internet, stable audio, as well as computer hardware and videoconferencing capabilities.
- A tentative **Summit Agenda** is provided on the next page.

Session proposals are due on or before **Friday, October 29, 2021, by 5.00 pm (Eastern Time)**.

# 2022 Summit Agenda

## *Connect to Effect:*

### *Building an Equitable Economy for All Hoosiers*

|            |   |          |              |             |
|------------|---|----------|--------------|-------------|
| 8:45 a.m.  | <i>Welcome and Housekeeping Remarks</i>     |          |              |             |
| 9:00 a.m.  | <b>Keynote Address and Panel Discussion</b> |          |              |             |
| 10:00 a.m. | <i>Break</i>                                |          |              |             |
| 10:15 a.m. | <b>Session One</b>                          |          |              |             |
|            | Programs                                    | Policy   | Philanthropy | Performance |
| 11:15 a.m. | <i>Break</i>                                |          |              |             |
| 11:30 a.m. | <b>Session Two</b>                          |          |              |             |
|            | Programs                                    | Policy   | Philanthropy | Performance |
| 12:30 p.m. | <i>Lunch Break</i>                          |          |              |             |
| 1:30 p.m.  | <b>Prosperity Indiana Awards Ceremony</b>   |          |              |             |
| 2:15 p.m.  | <i>Break</i>                                |          |              |             |
| 2:30 p.m.  | <b>Session Three</b>                        |          |              |             |
|            | Programs                                    | Policies | Philanthropy | Performance |
| 3:30 p.m.  | <b>Call to Action</b>                       |          |              |             |
| 4:00 p.m.  | <b>Reception</b>                            |          |              |             |
| 4:45 p.m.  | <i>End of Summit</i>                        |          |              |             |