

Rebuilding Indiana Monthly

A publication for the members of Prosperity Indiana

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Executive Director's Letter

Greetings,

Thank you to each of the Prosperity Indiana members who in 2017 allowed us to make an impact in partnership with you. Current member benefits expire January 31, 2018, and we hope you will [renew your membership for 2018](#).

As a member of Prosperity Indiana, **you access resources** in the form of knowhow and investment, **raise your voice** for public policy rooted in social justice, and **connect with a network of neighbors and practitioners** who are building and championing prosperity for Hoosiers.

Here are a few ways members can engage in 2018:

- Attend the Prosperity Indiana Summit and Statehouse Day on January 23 and 24.
- Host a member of the Indiana Financial Capability Corps, an AmeriCorps program, to focus your services on economic opportunity for clients.
- Attend a training, webinar, or member conference call
- Study community needs, inventory assets and plan for a brighter future.
- Apply for funding from the Prosperity Indiana Fund LLC.
- Request free capacity building support from our AmeriCorps VISTA.
- Develop an outcomes measurement strategy to tell



Upcoming Events

[Jan. 8: Connection Point Call](#)

[Jan. 23-24, 2018: Prosperity Indiana Summit and Statehouse Day \(Indianapolis\)](#)

Partners' Events

[Jan. 26: HAND Trivia Night](#)

[Jan. 30-Feb. 1 2018: Indiana Park and Recreation Association Conference & Expo](#)

[Feb. 6: IPA Day at the Statehouse](#)

[Mar. 20-22: INARF 2018 Annual Conference](#)

Job Opportunity

[Acting Director, CDC in Lake County](#)

New Podcast Episodes

[Inclusive Growth: Addressing a Two-Sided Economy](#)

[Starting Early for Long-Term Success](#)

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the story of your work.

If you think there is a way Prosperity Indiana can aid your work and strengthen our communities, do not hesitate to email or call. We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

Regards,



[Andy Fraizer](#)
Executive Director

Policy Update: Congress Passes Tax Reform Measure that Threatens Safety Net Programs, Increases Inequality



We are grateful to member engagement and advocacy around key priorities in the tax reform bill as several were successfully addressed in the final legislation approved this week. Prosperity Indiana spent the past month urging lawmakers to oppose this bill as it failed to include the kinds of equitable reforms we sought to increase economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income households.

[Click here to read through the critical highlights for Prosperity Indiana's member interests.](#)

Connection Point Call: Payday Lending

the [iTunes store](#) and [Google Play Music](#).

Social Media Recap

[Member Highlight - Hearts & Hands of Indiana](#)

[Excited to be at #GTS2017 hosted by @HEC_ED Great to see so many partners like @ECharterIndiana @YouthPowerIN](#)

[Quality of Life/Place panel @keiraa, @RonnieWatson570, @andy_fraizer and moderator @HaleIndy. #ThriveIN #PPI25](#)



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Prosperity Indiana is focused on advancing policies that curtail predatory lending products and practices that disproportionately impact low-income consumers, including payday lending. As the Indiana General Assembly convenes in early January for this year's session, we will be pushing legislators to enact a statewide cap on payday loans in order to protect consumers. As this is a top legislative priority for our membership, we urge all members and partners to [join us for this call](#) as we will share details of the legislation, discuss key talking points and legislator outreach strategy!



Congratulations to our Award Nominees for Community Economic Development!

Prosperity Indiana is excited to announce the nominees for the 2018 Prosperity Indiana Awards! [Click here for the full list of nominees](#). Join us at the Prosperity Indiana Summit Awards luncheon to see the winners announced.

[Click here to view the full Summit agenda.](#)

A promotional banner for the Prosperity Indiana Summit & Statehouse Day. At the top left, a green ribbon contains the text "SAVE THE DATE". Below this, the Prosperity Indiana logo is displayed, featuring a stylized leaf icon and the text "Prosperity INDIANA Strengthening our communities." To the right, the event title "Prosperity Indiana Summit & Statehouse Day" is written in red, followed by the dates "January 23-24, 2018" and the location "SHERATON INDIANAPOLIS CITY CENTRE HOTEL DOWNTOWN INDIANAPOLIS". At the bottom, a dark purple banner contains the tagline "Creating Prosperity at the Intersection of Community Health and Community Development" in white. Below the tagline is a collage of four images: a group of people planting a tree, the Indiana Statehouse dome, a group of people working at a laptop, and a group of people with their hands joined together in a circle.

Holiday Discount on Summit Registration!

This Thursday and Friday only, Prosperity Indiana members can register for the 2018 Prosperity Indiana Summit and Statehouse Day for only \$105! [Register for the Summit](#) between December 21 and December 22 to take advantage of this limited-time offer, no registration code needed! And be sure to [reserve your hotel room](#) by December 24 to get the discounted group rate.

Also, be sure to [register for Statehouse Day](#)! The strength of our advocacy lies within our members and partners coming together to advocate for policies that support Hoosier communities. That's why we need your voice on **January 23rd at the Statehouse from 1:00-4:00 p.m. (EST)** as we urge lawmakers to act on critical policy priorities in support of community development efforts statewide.

We have also added a **Table Sponsorship for the Keynote and Awards Luncheon**. This \$500 sponsorship includes ten seats for the luncheon. If you are interested in joining us as a table sponsor, [register for the Summit](#) at the Table Sponsorship level, and input your registrants as guests via the form.

If you have any questions regarding Summit registration or sponsorship, contact Rachel Mattingly at rmattingly@prosperityindiana.org.

Thanks to our presenting sponsor of the Prosperity Indiana Summit, PNC Bank, along with our other sponsors: Merchants Bank, Brightpoint, Ice Miller, Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis, Vectren, Herman & Kittle Properties, Cinnaire, First Financial Bank, Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority, Covering Kids and Families of Indiana, IFF, 1st Source Bank, and INHP. See the [full sponsorship list here](#).

Presenting Sponsor



New Tools for Evaluating Health Outcomes from NeighborWorks

America

In recognition of the need to apply health outcomes research to the affordable housing and community development fields, NeighborWorks America supported the research and development of the new [Success Measures Health Outcome Tools](#). These tools are intended to help community development practitioners design projects and partnerships that address health disparities through the integration of affordable housing, community development, and health. The Health Outcome Tools can help organizations evaluate health status, health beliefs, environmental health factors, and health care services at both the individual and community levels.

[Click here](#) to learn more and to access the tools.

Meet Prosperity Indiana's Membership and Administrative Coordinator

Kay Glenn joined the Prosperity Indiana staff earlier this month as our Membership and Administrative Coordinator. Kay will help in the management of member and donor investment with Prosperity Indiana, as well as support the Prosperity Indiana staff with tasks that build the capacity of Prosperity Indiana, its members, and its partners. [Click here to read Kay's blog post.](#)

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