

Rebuilding Indiana Monthly

A publication for the members of Prosperity Indiana

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Executive Director's Letter

Greetings {Contact_First_Name},

This time last year, I used this space to tell you about the results of our member engagement event, the Say My Name Forum. We heard you; and we renamed the Indiana Association for Community Economic Development. As we start 2017, the new moniker is Prosperity Indiana.

For 30 years, we have focused on the assets of local people, mobilizing collective action to advance Indiana's communities. Our name has changed; our



mission has not. We hope you will renew membership for 2017 and support the new benefits in store for the network. Renew online today.

Policy advocacy was a critical service identified during the Say My Name Forum in 2015 and membership survey in 2016. To that end, we are bringing back a member Statehouse Day, Prosperity IN Action, on January 31 to advocate for critical policy priorities supporting community development. Find our 2017 policy priorities and register for the event online at ProsperityINAction.org.

Prosperity Indiana's board members are the volunteer energy and the generative leadership that keeps us moving forward and connected to members. We maintain a perpetual process to nominate candidates to the board of directors. If you are interested in service, NOW is a good time to apply. The deadline for the annual process of nominations forwarded to the board governance and finance committee is March 31 each year. *Interested in serving on the board of directors?* Complete this board member application. Board meetings are held the third Friday of every other month, starting in January. New terms start in July.

In closing, we need your partnership, participation, and membership to serve as an effective force for prosperity in Indiana. Please renew, consider a donation, or apply for board service today at ProsperityIndiana.org. With your help, we are Strengthening Our Communities.

Regards,

Upcoming Events

Jan 19: CreatINg Places (Webinar)

Jan 27: Take Action Together on Consumer Protections - Indiana Assets & Opportunity Statewide Coalition Call

<u>Jan 31: Prosperity Indiana</u> <u>Statehouse Day</u>

Partners' Events

<u>Jan 25: 2017 Point-in-Time</u> Homeless Count (Statewide)

Jan 27: ISDH Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Funding Program Application Due

Jan 30: IHCDA Public Hearing of Weatherization Assistance Program 2017 State Plan

Jan 31: Cities for Financial
Empowerment Fund: Consumer
Financial Protection Initiative
Letter of Interest Due

<u>February - May: Purdue</u> <u>Extension Two-Day Beginner's</u> <u>Grant Writing Workshops (8</u> <u>locations throughout the State)</u>

Feb 2-4: New Partners for Smart Growth Conference (St. Louis, MO)

<u>Feb 7: Indiana Philanthropy</u> <u>Alliance 2017 Day at the</u> <u>Statehouse</u>

<u>Feb 8: IHCDA CHDO Board</u> <u>Accountability Webinar</u>

<u>Feb 10: OCRA CDBG Round 1</u> <u>Letters of Interest Due</u>

Feb 21: Indiana Citizens'
Alliance for Transit (ICAT)
Transit Day at the Statehouse
2017

Early March: Indiana Arts
Commission Regional Initiative
Grant Application Deadline for
Arts Project Support

May 24-26: CSH Supportive Housing Summit 2017 (Denver, CO -- Early Bird ends 2/15)

Andy Fraizer **Executive Director**

2017 Legislative Priorities



With the 2017 Indiana legislative session on its way, it is important for us to understand the broader context of the policy priorities of our legislators as we strive to advance critical community development issues in the halls of the Statehouse. Read this blog to learn more.

We hope that you will join our advocacy efforts this year. Keep an eye on your inbox for action alerts from our policy team and attend our Statehouse Day on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Be a Mentor, Ask a Mentor

As a member of Prosperity Indiana, you are one of our greatest assets to community economic development in Indiana. Through our services, we strive to support all Prosperity Indiana members in becoming leaders who make an impact on their communities. Read more about this new opportunity to learn from others in the network and share your own expertise.

Grant to Boost Financial Capability Pilot Program

Prosperity Indiana is pleased to announce an award of \$30,000 from The Glick Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF), to support the Indiana Assets & Opportunity Network in establishing its Financial Capability Learning Cluster. Click here to learn more about the pilot program.

Job Opportunities

Part Time Administrative Assistant - Prosperity Indiana (Indianapolis)

Development Project Manager -Riley Area Development Corporation (Indianapolis)

Mass Avenue/Brookside Industrial Corridor Program Manager - Riley Area **Development Corporation** (Indianapolis)

Social Media Recap

Good idea from members @IndvDT and @KingParkIndv. Design competition for affordable homeownership with @IndyBuilders and @AlAIndiana

Research on models for asset building strategies provides insight.

How to get a Library of Things started

If preserving old buildings can help boost affordability and density, it'd be helpful to know where it's happening.

Thanks, @IHCDA, for the partner highlight in your magazine! Find our feature on page 8 of the winter issue









Submit News or Events

Legal Needs of Organizations Serving Hoosiers in Poverty

If you haven't already, <u>please complete this five-minute</u> <u>survey</u> on how your organization and your community partners use legal services in pursuit of community economic development and poverty eradication. <u>Read more about this</u> resource under development here.

<u>Visit our blog for more of the latest community economic</u> development news in Indiana.

Membership Renewal

Only two weeks remain before member benefits expire on January 31, 2017. Renew today to ensure uninterrupted access to a host of member resources.



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