

# **Rebuilding Indiana Monthly**

A publication for the members of Prosperity Indiana

## November 2016

### **Executive Director's Letter**

Greetings,

In case you missed our big announcement, IACED is now Prosperity Indiana.

For 30 years, IACED's work has meant focusing on the key assets of local people mobilizing collective action to advance local places and Indiana. The new brand embodies a more authentic and approachable way to convey our vision and work. It came out of a thoughtful and collaborative process that included insights from the staff, board, members and other stakeholders of IACED, to find a brand that better



embodies the comprehensive work we deliver to strengthen Indiana communities.



### Social Media Recap

Housing instability shouldn't force children apart from their families

Former First Lady Judy O'Bannon: A Lifetime of Moving Communities Forward ... With More to Come

Government official turned developer: Heintzelman adds a personal touch

A closer look at the geography of middle class decline

For Lindenlaub: Nonprofit management, like landscape architecture, is about finding solutions

Fetters: people are the ones who will decide what public spaces get used for #IACEDNext30









IACED, now Prosperity Indiana, celebrated our 30th anniversary and revealed our new brand last Wednesday, as part of a larger event that we hosted, called the Prosperity Indiana Summit. The summit content focused on placemaking and policymaking as comprehensive community development strategies to underscore the importance of their linkage to strengthening Hoosier families and Indiana communities.

Additionally, during the summit's luncheon, an annual award presentation took place to honor community and organization leadership and program excellence. Congratulations to the 2016 award winners recognized at the event:

## John Niederman Rural Development Leadership Award: Charles Heintzelman, Milestone Ventures



Left to right: John Niederman (Award Namesake), Chuck Heintzelman (Award Recipient), Fred Hash (Cinnaire, Award Sponsor), Andy Fraizer (Prosperity Indiana, Award Presenter)

Michael Carroll Community Economic Development Leadership Award: James Taylor, John Boner Neighborhood Centers

### Upcoming Events

Nov 29:Housing Counseling Affinity
Group Meeting

Nov 30: Human Services Affinity Group Meeting

<u>Dec 1: Microenterprise Affinity</u> <u>Group Meeting</u>

Dec 2: Landbanking Affinity Group Meeting

<u>Dec 6: Management and Leadership</u> Affinity Group Meeting

Dec 8: IDA Affinity Group Meeting

<u>Dec 9: Affordable Housing Affinity</u> <u>Group Meeting</u>

<u>Jan 31, 2017: Prosperity Indiana</u> Statehouse Day

#### Partners' Events

Nov 30: OCRA Indiana Main Street Community Exchange (Jeffersonville)

Dec 2: NLIHC The Changing Post-Election Landscape for Affordable Housing (Webinar)

<u>Dec 21: CHIP Annual Homeless</u> <u>Persons' Memorial Service</u> (<u>Indianapolis</u>)

Dec 5, Jan 11: Purdue Extension Grant Writing Workshop (Huntington)

Feb 2-4, 2017: New Partners for Smart Growth Conference (St. Louis, MO) (Early-bird registration closes 11/30)



Left to right: Jacob Sipe (IHCDA, Award Co-Presenter), James Taylor (Award Recipient), Andy Fraizer (Prosperity Indiana, Award Co-Presenter)

## Robert O. Zdenek Staff Member of the Year Award: Gladys Muhammad, South Bend Heritage Foundation



Left to right: Steve Hoffman (Brightpoint, Award Sponsor), Gladys Muhammad (Award Recipient), Andy Fraizer (Prosperity Indiana, Award Presenter)

**Key Award for Services Program of the Year: Back Home in Indiana Alliance, Indianapolis** 



Left to right: Jacob Sipe (IHCDA, Award Sponsor), Deb McCarty (Award Recipient), Andy Fraizer (Prosperity Indiana, Award Presenter)

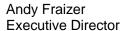
We were able to gather because of the generosity of sponsors. Thank you to the premier sponsor, the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. Thanks also to the platinum sponsor, PNC Bank, and track sponsors, Merchants Bank of Indiana and Vectren. We also appreciate the many table sponsors and program supporters.

At lunch, attendees heard the song we commissioned to help tell the story of Prosperity Indiana's and our members' work. The song will be utilized in our storytelling strategies, launching next year, including a new podcast program called Ways and Means. Titled Home, the song is performed by Roustabout with female vocalist Jenna Strick. Roustabout is Joey Spiegel, Bob Thompson, Chris Kauffman and Justin Barker, a staff member of Pathfinder Services Inc. The song was written by Joey Spiegel and recorded by Josh Bush at Copper Chord Studio in Huntington, Indiana. To hear more from Roustabout, visit their Facebook page.

As we embark on the next 30 years of strengthening Indiana's communities together as Prosperity Indiana, we hope that you will visit our <u>new website</u>, join in membership today, check out our new <u>blog</u> and share in the celebration by <u>watching our commemorative video</u>.



Wishing you a happy Thanksgiving,



#### **Summit Session Resources**

Slides and handouts from the Prosperity Indiana Summit can be found online at our new website, www.ProsperityIndiana.org.

## **Summit Evaluation Survey**

Were you with us at the Summit last week? We'd love to get your feedback. If you haven't yet, <u>let us know how it went</u>.

## **Membership Renewal**

As hard as it may be to believe, 2017 is quickly coming upon us. Whether you're a long-time member or considering membership for the first time, <u>renew</u> or <u>join</u> online today to access a host of member resources. Current and lapsed members, be on the lookout for a renewal letter and invoice in the mail after Thanksgiving.



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