

LEGISLATIVE & POLICY MISSING PIECES FOR SELF-SUFFICIENT HOOSIER FAMILIES

FACT
1 in 3 Hoosiers
is living below
self-sufficiency
standards
U.S. Census ACS

PATH TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Protect families from predatory loans and support asset-building

INVESTMENT IN CHILD CARE

Invest in two-generation solutions that help both kids and parents

ASSISTS & REBOUNDS

Help Hoosiers rebound from tough times with a strong safety net

ADULT EDUCATION

Remove barriers to adult education and skills training

QUALITY OF LIFE & WORK

Promote quality jobs that ensure families can balance work, family and budgets

EQUITABLE STATE FUNDING

Build a more just Hoosier economy with equitable budget and tax policies

INDIANA'S ECONOMY ISN'T WHOLE WITHOUT SELF-SUFFICIENT FAMILIES.

The Indiana Institute for Working Families' 2017 Legislative Public Policy Agenda identifies six policy areas that are missing and could fill gaps in the state's economy—gaps that affect a third of all Hoosiers. Read more about these key issues for Hoosiers and what the Indiana legislature should do about them at INCAP.ORG/IIWF.

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PATH TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Put families on a path to self-sufficiency by protecting them from high-cost payday loans and predatory lending products. Support asset-building and financial literacy training by increasing funding for individual development accounts (IDAs).

INVESTMENT IN TWO-GENERATION SOLUTIONS

Investments in Head Start, preschool and the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) ensure that young children continue to learn and grow while their parents work or seek further education.

ASSETS & REBOUNDS

Help Hoosiers rebound more quickly from tough times by removing the asset test from Supplemental Nutrition Program (SNAP) nutrition eligibility requirements and raising Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligibility to 50 percent of the federal poverty level.

QUALITY OF LIFE & QUALITY OF WORK

Ensure that all working Hoosiers can balance work, family and household budgets through policies that promote fair scheduling, paid leave and high-quality, well-paying jobs.

BUILD A MORE JUST HOOSIER ECONOMY, STARTING WITH EQUITABLE BUDGET CHOICES

Make equitable budget choices that remedy Indiana's regressive tax structure, increase economic mobility for working families and promote a more just economy for all Hoosiers.

REMOVE BARRIERS TO ADULT EDUCATION & WORKFORCE TRAINING

Allow for better coordination of skills training, higher education and necessary support services. Increase support for the Indiana Adult Student Grant and the WorkINdiana training program, and create Indiana's first fund for job-driven adult literacy.