INDIANA INSTITUTE FOR WORKING FAMILIES'

Thriving Hoosier Families Agenda

2020 Policy Priorities

Strong Consumer Protections

PRIORITY: ENACT A 36% CAP ON PAYDAY LOANS AND MAINTAIN EXISTING RATE AND FEE CAPS ON LARGER LOANS

Without protection, predatory lenders will mire Hoosiers in debt they cannot repay, creating a cascade of negative consequences that can haunt borrowers for years.

Meaningful Income Supports

PRIORITY: RAISE TANF ELIGIBILITY TO 50% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LINE AND ADJUST BENEFITS FOR INFLATION

When jobs are inadequate, hard to land, or impossible to sustain due to life circumstances, income supports are a critical lifeline.

Quality Jobs

PRIORITY: PROVIDE A CLEAR, AFFIRMATIVE RIGHT TO REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PREGNANT WORKERS

Hoosiers need jobs with adequate wages and the ability to balance work, family, and health.

Stable, Affordable Housing

PRIORITY: STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS FOR VULNERABLE HOMEOWNERS & RENTERS

A safe and stable place to call home is not only a critical need in and of itself; it is also vital to success in employment and in children's education.

Access to Postsecondary Education & Training

PRIORITY: PROMOTE BETTER ALIGNMENT OF PROGRAMS & FUNDING TO REDUCE ACADEMIC COSTS & NON-ACADEMIC BARRIERS FOR ADULT LEARNERS

All Hoosiers should have opportunities to develop skills in industries and careers that fit their talents and motivations.