

NCSL Opportunities for Working Families Meeting State Action Plans

Indiana

Years of Participation: 2003, 2008, 2013, 2014, 2015

Previous Attendees:

State Legislators

Legislative Staff

Representative Terri Austin (2003, 2013)	Senator Sue Errington (2008)	None
Representative John Bartlett (2008)	Senator Beverly Gard (2003)	
Representative Vaneta Becker (2003)	Senator Dennis Kruse (2008)	
Representative Tim Brown (2014)	Senator Sue Landske (2003)	
Representative Mike Karickhoff (2014)	Senator Connie Lawson (2003)	
Representative Clyde Kersey (2008)	Senator Patricia Miller (2014)	
Representative Sheila Klinker (2003)		
Representative Sharon Negele (2013)		
Representative Gail Riecken (2014)		
Representative Harold Slager (2013)		
Representative Jackie Walorski (2008)		
Representative Cindy Ziemke (2013)		
Representative Holli Sullivan (2015)		
Representative Casey Cox (2015)		
Representative Dan Forestal (2015)		

2003 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

- Rep. Terri Austin
- Rep. Sheila Klinker
- Sen. Beverly Gard
- Sen. Sue Landske
- Sen. Connie Lawson

Priority Issue(s): Providing quality jobs in rural Indiana

Action Items

- Create a policy environment that focuses on results by implementing a performance-based budget structure so that Gov. and Legislature can focus on 1-the strategic use of resources, 2-collaboration and coordination among state agencies, 3- flexibility in policies, programs and practices.
- Develop Public/ Private partnerships to create employment opportunities in rural areas.

TA Requests

- Eldon Mulder presentation on results based budgeting to stakeholders.
- State model workforce development legislation.
- Alaska mission and measures legislation.

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NCSL Follow-up

Memo to state team members sent 6/12/03 included information on workforce development. Follow up contacts made with Senator Gard. Action plan work postponed due to budget challenges.

2008 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

Rep. John Bartlett
Rep. Clyde Kersey
Rep. Jackie Swihart
Sen. Sue Errington
Sen. Dennis Kruse

Priority Issue(s): Decent Jobs, Health Care, and Transportation

Action Items

- Jobs
 - Asset Building Coalition
 - Learn about Indianapolis coalition (Senator Errington and Representative Bartlett - Summer 2008)
 - Learn more about United Way programs (Senator Errington and Representative Bartlett - Summer 2008)
 - Introduce bill to create state coalition (Senator Kruse - December 2008)
 - Introduce resolution to reduce poverty by half in ten years (grow middle class) (Senator Errington)
 - Expand IDAs: Steps to five million over four years; include financial education classes and coordinate with community colleges and adult education
 - Introduce legislation (Representative Kersey)
 - Representative Bartlett to meet with Representative Crawford (Summer 2008)
 - Investigate feasibility of state website as a clearinghouse of financial information (Representative Swihart - Summer 2008)
 - Statewide 401(k) for those who do not have a 401(k) (companies to have an opt out requirement)
 - Introduce bill (Representative Swihart - December 2008)
 - IDA: Age out of foster care
 - Introduce bill (Representative Bartlett and Representative Swihart)
 - Microenterprise bill (Representative Bartlett and Representative Swihart - December 2008)

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- No tax on savings accounts under \$10,000 (Senator Kruse)
- Increase asset limits on TANF up to \$15,000
- Health Care
 - Kinship care for children and seniors
 - Introduce bill (Representative Bartlett and Representative Swihart)
 - Future planning to allow small businesses into state health plan or pooling plans (Representative Kersey)
- Transportation
 - State team to meet in January to discuss rail corridor study information and state feasibility study
 - Try to create a study committee on carpooling/ park-n-go (Summer 2009)
 - Introduce resolution (Kersey)

Next Steps

1. State team to meet on July 23rd regarding Growing Middle Class Coalition

Responsibilities

- Listed in action items

Information and Services

State Contact for NCSL follow-up services and evaluation

NCSL Services

2013 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

Rep. Terri Austin
Rep. Sharon Negele
Rep. Harold Slager
Rep. Cindy Ziemke

Facilitator: Morgan Cullen

Priority Issue

- Remediation
- Expand Arrupe Jesuit School model
- Building assets through homeownership

Specific Action Item(s) and Timeline

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1. Follow up on House Bill 1005
2. Visit Providence Christo Rey (<http://www.pcrhs.org/>)
3. Meet with the director of the Department of Education
4. Identify a business model for converting homes on the tax scale list to private ownership
 - Reach out to stakeholders (Habitat for Humanity, Homebuilders Association)
5. Increase legislator awareness of the Economic Gardening Initiative in Indiana

Responsibilities

1. Rep. Slager will meet with Habitat for Humanity, the Homebuilders Association, the Realtors Association, etc.
2. Rep. Austin will meet with the director of the Department of Education
3. Rep. Ziemke will set up a tour with the Providence Christo Rey school
4. Rep. Negele will facilitate the conversation on the Economic Gardening Initiative

Information and Services

- The team would like to evaluate similar models and programs in other states

NCSL Contacts

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2014 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

Rep. Tim Brown
Rep. Mike Karickhoff
Rep. Gail Riecken
Sen. Patricia Miller

Facilitator: Tim Storey
Recorder: Meghan McCann

Priority Issue

Improving education for under skilled and poorly skilled, focusing on apprenticeship training.

Specific Action Items and Timeline

- A. Connect and communicate with Indiana Career Council
- B. Connect with Indiana workforce development to discuss breaking down silos, apprenticeship opportunity and marketing, and personal responsibility requirement for benefits.
- C. Connect and gather data from Youth First Program and explore if it is capable of expanding state-wide and expanding to a two-generation approach. Target dads, moms, guardians, minorities and kids
- D. Identify barriers to gather data on community college and outcomes/goals. Jobs-completion-transfer-certificates

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- E. Identify which information is currently available from new hire reporting. Education level?
Education institution?

Next Steps

Send mass email after connection and gathering information. Team meeting with Jackie Dowd?
CWD?

Responsibilities

A: Rep. Mike Karickhoff

B: Rep. Tim Brown

C: Rep. Gail Riecken

Information and Services

- Gather demographics of workforce: number of jobs over 12 months, number of retirees, number of disabled, number of people dropping out of the workforce
- NCSL to help outline the Maryland Manufacturing Bootcamp; structure, cost

NCSL Contacts

Rep. Tim Brown (tbrownmd@sbcglobal.net)

2015 ACTION PLAN

Team Members

Representative Holli Sullivan

Representative Casey Cox

Representative Dan Forestal

Facilitator: Stacy Householder

Recorder: Terrell Blei

Priority Issue

1. Narrow the skills gap
 - Identify what already exists to address the skills gap in Indiana?
2. SGIA (Skills Gap Integration Analysis)

Specific Action Items and Timeline

Priority Issue 1: Skills gap

- Who are the active agencies and counsels? What are they doing?
- What has been gathered and what has been done with it?
- Next steps:
 - Reach out to known contacts
 - Jessica Fraiser
 - Steve Braun

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- IEDC
- Local government economic development organizations
- Governor's office
- Commission of Higher Education
- NGOs
- Timeline
 - Summer/Fall 2015: Team members make contact
 - Late Fall 2015: Team reconvenes and NCSL provides any requested support for the next steps

Next Steps

- Reaching out to known entities identified during brainstorming session
 - Specific responsibilities listed below

Responsibilities

- Representative Cox: To reach out to Commission of Higher Education (already working with various institutions and the commission)
- Representative Forestal: To reach out to IEDC and local governments
- Representative Sullivan: Reaching out to Steve Braun and other state agencies
- Together: Make all resources available and continue to communicate

Information and Services

- Finding data on workforce and other identified issues in Indiana and putting them in a useful format
- Dashboard specifics
 - California legislation regarding dashboard publication
- Provide additional information on microbusiness policy in Indiana and surrounding states

NCSL Contacts

- [Mary Fairchild](#)
- [Jessica Hathaway](#)

State Contacts: Representative Holli Sullivan regarding forum follow up