



1 in 3 Hoosiers is Underwater

Six Policies for 2018 That Can Right the Ship

Nearly **ONE IN THREE HOOSIERS IS UNDERWATER** and can't afford basic needs. **IT'S TIME TO GET THEM BACK ON COURSE.**

The 2018 policy agenda for the Indiana Institute for Working Families seeks to **REMOVE THE ANCHORS KEEPING FAMILIES UNDERWATER**, ensure there are **ENOUGH LIFE PRESERVERS** for those who need them, and **PROVIDE A PROPELLER TO STEER INDIANA** toward economic security and broad prosperity in its third century.



REMOVE ANCHORS weighing families down and keeping them underwater.

- **PROTECT HOOSIERS FROM PAYDAY LENDING** with a rate cap and protection from dangerous new predatory products.
- **REQUIRE EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE REASONABLE PREGNANCY ACCOMMODATIONS** so women don't have to choose between a healthy pregnancy and a paycheck.



ENSURE THERE ARE ENOUGH LIFE PRESERVERS for those who need them.

- **REFORM TANF'S ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AND BENEFIT LEVELS** so that their values cease to erode and are indexed to inflation moving forward.
- **ELIMINATE THE LIFETIME BAN ON SNAP** (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) for people who have served their time for drug felonies.



PROVIDE HOOSIERS WITH THE PROPELLER we need to steer us toward economic security and broad prosperity.

- **IMPROVE ON MY WAY PRE-K BY REMOVING 'SERVICE NEED' RED TAPE** so more kids can participate in pre-K to learn & thrive.
- **SUPPORT INDIANA'S WORKFORCE** by removing non-academic barriers to adult student completion, boosting adult literacy, and adding a work-sharing program.



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