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TOP NEWS

1. Déjà Vu: Government Shutdown Possible October 1



At midnight on October 1, if the U.S. Congress and President Biden fail to pass legislation creating budget authority beyond full-year or interim appropriations, federal government programs will experience a "funding gap" and must cease operations under the Antideficiency Act. In plain language, a government shutdown occurs, leaving only those employees deemed "essential" remaining to run the federal government. House Republicans, who control the chamber with a razor-thin majority, are fighting over spending levels after the nation's deficit reaching in excess of \$33T earlier this month. Additionally, House Republicans wish to push the Biden Administration to implement boarder protections and enforcement measures, which likely are a non-starter for Senate Democrats (who control the Senate chamber) and President Biden. In other words, all signs point to an impasse in Washington. To make matters more interesting, a handful of House Republicans have been unhappy with House Speaker Kevin McCarthy and have gleefully helped push the impasse and otherwise handcuff House Republican Leadership, hoping to use a shutdown as leverage to remove McCarthy from the Speaker's Office.

Realistically, it's probably going to get messy. **Optimistically**, the overwhelming majority of republicans (including Speaker McCarthy), and democrats do not want a government shutdown and Washington is a place where politics (and votes) can change in minutes.

<u>Related</u>: A strike and a possible shutdown could hurt US economy (Reuters)

2. HUD Delays NSPIRE Implementation for HOME, HTF, HOPWA, ESG, COC Programs until 2024; All Other Programs Must Comply <u>Oct 1. 2023</u>



NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR THE PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF REAL ESTATE

On Monday, Sept. 18, HUD announced via a **notice** in the Federal Register, that it was extending the compliance date for HUD's National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) final rule for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Housing Trust Fund (HTF), Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA), Emergency Solution Grants (ESG) and Continuum of Care (COC) programs ("CPD programs") until Oct. 1, 2024. HUD is taking this action to allow jurisdictions, participants, and grantees additional time to incorporate HUD's NSPIRE standards specific to their own programs and the flexibility to transition to NSPIRE under their own timelines.

All other programs are still required to comply with NSPIRE standards beginning Oct. 1, 2023. **IAA is** hosting a webinar with the opportunity for a certification to help members learn about the new standards. The class runs virtually from 9 am – 12 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 4 and Thursday, Oct. 5.

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Virtual Education

- FREE Ways to Improve Your Chances of Getting a Promotion, Tuesday, Sept. 26 @ 11 AM -12 PM
- FREE The Current Coatings Industry from Roof to Slab, Tuesday, Oct. 3 @ 10 11 AM
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- FREE Resident Retention, Thursday, Nov. 2 @ 10 11 AM

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3. Indiana Unemployment Numbers Slowly Increase



According the Indiana Department of Workforce Development's (IDWD) **August report**, the unemployment rate has risen slightly from 3.3% to 3.4% in August. The state's unemployment has ticked upward one-tenth of a percent every month since April's 3%. The national unemployment rate is at 3.8%. The workforce participation rate for Hoosiers increased to 63.5%, which is still above the national rate of 62.8%. The total labor force equals about 3.4 million Hoosiers. According to IDWD, almost 105,0000 job openings were reported in August.

4. Local: Indianapolis Mayor to Partner with HUD to Reorganize Troubled IHA



Mayor Joe Hogsett announced Monday that Indianapolis will partner with HUD to help address issues within the Indianapolis Housing Agency (IHA). The partnership will help address financial and structural issues within the independent local housing agency serving Marion County. This agreement is expected to outline the roles and responsibilities of the city, HUD and IHA through a reorganization and reconstitution of the oversight, management and daily operations. There is expected to be no impact on the status of the agency's tenants under the new agreement. Residents should continue to use the same resources as normal to pay rent, request maintenance and submit applications.

IndyStar has more.

5. State Sen. Jack Sandlin Passes



State Sen. Jack Sandlin (R-Indianapolis) passed away this week. Sandlin served his country and community as a member of the military and police force before being elected to the City-County Council and then Indiana Senate, where he represented Senate District 36 since 2016. IAA had worked closely with Sen. Sandlin over the years and our thoughts are with his family and friends.





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