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**SUBMISSION
DEADLINE
EXTENDED
TO JULY 17**

Midwest Prodigy Award Nomination Deadline Extended

IAA has extended the deadline for this year's Midwest Prodigy Award nominations to July 17. Don't hesitate to begin your nomination and ensure your community is in the running for one of the many fantastic awards given out this year!

These awards celebrate unique and outstanding elements of apartment communities across the state. Winners will be honored during the Prodigy Awards Dinner at the Midwest Multifamily Conference on October 30.

There are dozens of categories for you to enter, so see what you could be eligible for!

Each winner will go home with a crystal award to display onsite and will be featured in an upcoming edition of the Indianapolis Business Journal, highlighting your community's success to a statewide audience.

Get started now to show off the award-worthy qualities of your community!

Start Your Nominations Now!

TOP NEWS

1. The Federal Government's New Plan to (Maybe) Give Renters Straight Cash



"At a national guaranteed income conference, HUD Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development Brian McCabe announced that his agency is soon planning to solicit public comment on the prospect of testing whether distributing cash directly to residents might work better for renters, property owners, governments and even taxpayers. HUD will specifically seek input on questions like whether property owners would be more willing to rent to low-income people if they could skip the government's red tape, and whether there would be higher-quality housing available to renters using cash. More than two million families currently use the federal subsidy." - [Vox](#)

Why it matters: Federal housing vouchers have been around for decades and like many government programs, they are overly complicated and come with many stipulations. A cash program might simplify the process for both the resident and property owner.

2. State Revenues Beat Estimates in May



“Indiana’s revenue collections outpaced projections in May. The Indiana State Budget Agency said Friday that General Fund revenues last month totaled nearly \$1.6 billion, which was 8.7% higher than the December 2023 forecast and 3% higher than the same month last year. The agency noted that higher-than-expected collections from individual and corporate income taxes outweighed lower-than expected collections in sales tax.” - [Inside Indiana Business](#)

Why it matters: The Indiana General Assembly’s [State and Local Tax Review Task Force](#) met earlier this week to consider testimony from four groups. At a time when the legislature is considering changes to the property tax that might be needed to increase revenue, it is notable that revenue collections are beating expectations.

3. Promising Practices for Preventing Harassment in the Construction Industry



“Harassment remains a serious problem in our nation’s workplaces. Over a third of the charges the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) received between fiscal year (FY) 2019 and FY 2023 included an allegation of harassment based on one or more of the characteristics protected under federal employment law. While workplace harassment is an issue in all sectors and industries, it is prevalent on many construction jobsites, and some of the most egregious incidents of harassment investigated by the EEOC have arisen in the construction industry.” - [EEOC](#)

Why it matters: These best practices are geared toward construction jobsites and are based on claims pursued by the EEOC, but the information and guidance can be applied to any workplace, even after construction has been completed.

PREFERRED SUPPLIERS



TOP NEWS CONTINUED

4. Judge Rejects Medical Marijuana Users' Housing Bias Claims



"The US Department of Housing and Urban Development won its bid to dismiss a civil suit challenging the denial of Section 8 housing benefits to medical marijuana users because the drug remains illegal under federal law, a federal court said. Judge J. Nicholas Ranjan, of the US District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, concluded two women and the Housing Authority of Indiana County in Pennsylvania didn't sufficiently allege that HUD's policy of excluding medical-marijuana users from receiving Section 8 subsidies discriminated against them." - [Bloomberg](#)

Why it matters: While many states have "legalized" marijuana, medical or recreational, it remains illegal at the federal level and the court held that users of these drugs can be excluded from Section 8 subsidies. In this case, the women were from Pennsylvania, where medical marijuana is legal. There are significant efforts underway in congress to reschedule marijuana. The judge indicated that if that were to happen, users would likely have access to Section 8.

5. McCormick Picks Goodin for LG



Democratic Indiana gubernatorial candidate Jennifer McCormick announced Terry Goodin on Thursday afternoon as her preferred choice for lieutenant governor.

Why it matters: Goodin served in the Indiana House of Representatives from 2000-2020, and served as minority leader from 2017 until losing his House seat to Republican Zach Payne in 2020. Democratic delegates will select its party's candidates for lieutenant governor and attorney general July 13.

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UPCOMING EVENT



MMC Registration Now Open!

The Midwest Multifamily Conference is the biggest event in the region for multifamily professionals, so take advantage of this opportunity to grow professionally, network and celebrate the best in the Midwest!

Throughout the two-day conference, attendees will get the opportunity to:

- Learn about the latest industry trends
- Attends dozens of educational workshops
- Network with thousands of multifamily professionals
- Discover new products and services on the trade show floor

- Celebrate the best properties and professionals in the industry

Register now to join us on October 29-30.

Register now!

UPCOMING EDUCATION

- **June 25: What's the Big Deal about Generational Leasing? - FREE**
- **June 25: SAL Visionary Leadership Program**
- **June 26: Understanding Emotional Support Animal Statutes and Case Law - FREE**
- **July 11: EPA/CFC Certification July Test Prep**
- **July 18: Mold: What is it? How to Investigate and Address it - FREE**

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HEADLINES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Area Plan Commission voted to approve restrictions on AirBnB rentals for local areas (WLFI)

Micah Beckwith joins Braun on Republican ticket. Who is he and what does a lt. gov. do?

(IndyStar)

Region man fails to topple state property tax system (NWI Times)

House prices hit historic high as Indiana's housing market continues to grow (IndyStar)

Amazon commits additional \$1.4B to affordable housing fund (Housing Wire)

Schumer Says Bipartisan House Tax Bill Is Not Dead (Bloomberg)

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