

## Who We Are

The Indiana Builders Association is a statewide trade organization representing Indiana's home building, remodeling and light commercial construction industry.

Established in 1952, IBA has 21 local affiliates organized into three geographic areas across Indiana. IBA, along with its affiliates, are associated with the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

## What We Do

The Indiana Builders Association, Inc. educates and advocates for the construction industry to positively impact legislative, regulatory, and legal issues that affect housing affordability.

**1,000 New Single-Family Homes in Indiana creates:**

**4,040**

Full-time jobs

**\$308**

Million in wage and business income

**\$67**

Million in taxes for state and local government

## Indiana Builders Association Advocacy Team

We serve as a resource on issues that impact the home building industry. Please contact us if we can be of service.



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## Indiana Builders Association Legislative Guide



# Priority Issues Affecting Home Builders



During the 2023 Legislative Session, state lawmakers will debate many issues affecting Indiana's home building industry. IBA's Advocacy Team will closely monitor the following priority issues to foster growth in Indiana and to protect our members' ability to provide housing that is safe and affordable for Hoosiers.

## Housing Task Force Recommendations

**We support the recommendations of the Indiana General Assembly's Housing Task Force to improve housing affordability and boost Indiana's housing supply.**



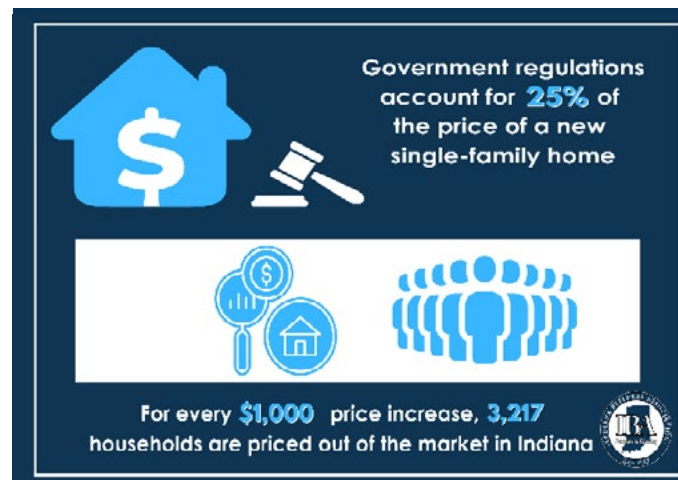
- Indiana has enjoyed record-breaking years of job commitments and capital investment that benefit Hoosier businesses, employees, and families, yet housing is in short supply.
- The Housing Task Force's comprehensive review of housing data, including inventory and government regulations that limit the supply of housing, yielded 16 recommendations.
- Recommendations with the greatest immediate impact to housing include:
  - State funding for housing infrastructure: Investing in housing infrastructure through grants and loans will pay off in private-sector investment and economic growth.
  - Residential TIF: Allow local units of government more flexibility to establish a residential housing development program and a tax increment allocation area for it to meet high demand for inventory.
  - Local zoning: Incentivize local units of government to consider voluntary revisions in local zoning to allow higher density development, construction of accessory dwelling units, manufactured or modular housing, adaptive reuse of commercial buildings for residential use, and waiver or elimination of design standards to bring lower cost housing to market.
  - Statewide building codes: Housing regulations should balance safety and cost and be the maximum standard that all agencies and local units of government can enforce.

## Workforce Development

**We support workforce development initiatives that promote and advance careers in the construction industry.**



- Construction workforce shortages result in more costly and time-consuming building and infrastructure projects and hinder Indiana's economic growth.
- Allocating funding to programs that promote careers in construction and offering career and technical education are essential to address the skilled labor shortage.
- The Indiana Builders Association, in partnership with the Indiana Construction Roundtable Foundation, advocates for:
  - Continuation of the Build Your Future Indiana program to increase awareness of the opportunities available in the skilled trades.
  - Expansion of the program to include exhibition trailers equipped with virtual reality technology to give middle and high school students hands-on experience with skilled professions in the construction, manufacturing, transportation, and utility industries.



**IBA takes an active role in the following issues impacting home builders:**

### Business Regulation

- Economic Development
- Impact Fees
- Foreclosure Issues
- Homeowners Associations
- Contractor Licensing
- Home Inspectors
- Mechanic's Lien
- Home Warranties
- Performance & Maintenance Bonds

### Insurance

- Worker's Compensation
- Medical Insurance
- Title Insurance

### Labor

- Workforce Training Programs
- Employee Classification
- Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund

### Taxation

- Model/Speculative Home Exemption
- TIF Districts
- Historic Preservation Tax Credit

### Land Development

- Private Property Rights
- Eminent Domain
- Planning & Zoning
- Complete Streets

### Construction Codes & Standards

- Statewide Building Codes
- Product Mandates
- Permit & Inspection Fees
- Energy Efficiency
- Fire Sprinklers

### Energy & Environment

- Onsite Sewage Systems
- Combined Sewer Overflows
- Mold Remediation
- No More Stringent Than Corresponding Federal Provisions
- Wetland Mitigation
- Lead Paint
- Radon-resistant Construction
- Water/Sewer Infrastructure