



FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK OF INDIANAPOLIS

2016 Community Spirit Award

Recognizing excellence in community economic development

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (FHLBI) is seeking nominations for its annual Community Spirit Award (CSA). This award will honor two individuals from among our members who show an outstanding dedication to affordable housing and community economic development.

Please help us to recognize the contributions of an individual from Michigan and one from Indiana who have helped to revitalize the community or increased the availability of decent affordable housing.

The award recipients will be announced at their state's respective housing conferences this year and a donation will be made in their honor to a non-profit organization or charity of their choice.

Judging Criteria

A panel of judges consisting of FHLBI staff and FHLBI Affordable Housing Advisory Council members will review and select the winners. Nominees will be selected to receive the CSA according to the criteria listed below:

- Currently employed by a chartered FHLBI member financial institution and preferably works in a community lending, CRA or other housing or economic development capacity within the institution (for a list of members visit <https://www.fhlbi.com/who-we-serve/member-directory> or contact the Community Investment Department at (1-800-688-6697).
- Community: Initiates relationships with nonprofit organizations or brings tools or skills to organizations which result in strong projects or an enrichment of the nonprofit's services.
- Spirit: Makes a strong economic and/or housing impact and performs their work with contagious enthusiasm. Shows evidence of creative and innovative approaches to housing and economic development challenges.
- Action: Acts as a catalyst to foster partnerships. Provides leadership to housing and economic development activities/organizations in the member's market area.

Nominations

To nominate an individual for the award, please complete the nomination form, including a statement no longer than two pages addressing the following areas:

Background: What is the nominee's background? Describe the nominee.

Nominee's work: What activities and work, including any volunteer activities, has this person been committed to within the year.

Impact: How has their work made a difference in the community?

Assets: What characteristics make the nominee excellent?

Nominate using the [online form](#) available on the Communities & Housing page on www.fhlbi.com/products-services/communities-and-housing

Please send the form (via e-mail, fax or mail) with the statement by **February 22, 2016 for Michigan nominees** or by **July 15, 2016 for Indiana nominees**.