



6 PILLARS IN ACTION COMMUNITY CONNECT

IAAQLI continues to impact the quality of life within Indianapolis communities through the execution of the following pillars. 1. Business and Entrepreneurship, 2. Education, 3. Employment, 4. Health and Wellness, 5. Housing and Home Ownership, 6. Leadership and Civic Engagement

**This edition we highlight the success stories
of the following pillars:**



Pillar 4. Health and Wellness

Silent Damage: How Lead Exposure May Be Fueling Kidney Disease In Indianapolis

A new report is drawing attention to a hidden health risk with lasting consequences that often go unnoticed until it's too late. Experts say the issue is more widespread than many realize and are urging greater awareness, early testing, and stronger prevention efforts. Community leaders stress that addressing the problem now is key to protecting families and improving long term health outcomes. This article was made possible through IAAQLI funding.

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Multiple Pillars

Flanner House Expands Community Programs with IAAQLI Support

Flanner House is using IAAQLI funding to expand programs that promote food justice, support mental health, and provide opportunities for youth. The funding helps grow their urban farm, which increases access to fresh food and offers education and employment programs. It also allows Flanner House to create jobs and provide essential services that support families in building stability and long-term success.

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Podcast

Creating Equity & Opportunity: Children's Policy & Law & Edna Martin's Impact

This IAAQLI 6 Pillars in Action episode highlights how Indianapolis groups are creating equity and opportunity. Children's Policy & Law Initiative shares its work reducing the school to prison pipeline through advocacy and youth leadership. Edna Martin Christian Center supports families with housing, entrepreneurship, and workforce programs showing the impact of IAAQLI funding in action.

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The Indianapolis African American Quality of Life Initiative (IAAQLI) is a place-based community change project established through a partnership between the National Urban League, The Indianapolis Urban League, and the African American Coalition of Indianapolis. Funded through a \$100 million grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc. The goal of the IAAQLI is to acknowledge the concerns and increase the quality-of-life of African American residents in Indianapolis



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