



PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION

INDIANA
COMMISSION
for women

Girls Leadership Forum

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*When girls begin to perceive themselves as leaders,
they begin to live different daily experiences; they
have a more positive perception of themselves....*

—A National Call to Action: Teaching Young People about Women's
Public Leadership and Promoting Public Leadership for Girls,
Center for American Women and Politics, Rutgers University

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BACKGROUND

A White House Conference on Girls' Leadership and Civic Education was held in Washington, DC. The conclusion of this conference identified a need for more women public leaders in the U.S. However, participants also exposed the relative invisibility of women in political history and demonstrated new strategies and greater efforts to encourage girls to pursue public leadership (Sindzduk et al, *A National Call to Action*, Center for American Women and Politics2013).

During the 2015 National Association of Commissions for Women 45th annual conference, the Indiana Commission for Women offered a pilot program for Indiana high school girls who were identified as high-potential and who had demonstrated their desire to become leaders. Thirty-five girls and their chaperones traveled to Indianapolis to participate in this one-day workshop, which focused on leadership, mentoring, and reputation safety.

After the conference and due to the overall success of this program, the ICW Board decided to continue the initiative. ICW will host three regional workshops in Fall 2016 and will host a statewide Girls Leadership Forum in Indianapolis in 2017.

2016 LOCATIONS

Evansville Saturday, November 19, 2016
Fort Wayne Saturday, November 5, 2016
Indianapolis Saturday, November 12, 2016

C.K. Newsome Community Center, 100 East Walnut Street, Evansville, Indiana 47713
The Summit, 1025 W. Rudisill Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46807
University of Indianapolis, 1400 East Hanna Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227

SPONSORSHIP INVITATION

On behalf of the Indiana Commission for Women (ICW) Board of Commissioners, we invite you to become a sponsor of the 2016 *Preparing the Next Generation Girls Leadership Forum*. The Girls Leadership Forum is a one-day workshop for high-potential high school girls and/or young women entering college for the first time who have demonstrated their desire to become leaders. This year, ICW is hosting three regional workshops in Evansville, Indianapolis, and Fort Wayne in Fall 2016; and, will host a statewide Girls Leadership Forum in Indianapolis in 2017.

We have two goals. First, we want to help high-potential girls who may not otherwise be exposed to opportunities that encourage them to become civically engaged or that inspire them to pursue public leadership. Second, we want to provide both the regional and statewide Girls Leadership Forum free-of-charge to any girl who wants to participate.

With your sponsorship, ICW will be able to leverage every dollar in supporting the growth of girls as future leaders for our state! We can continue to **move Indiana women and girls forward** with efforts to encourage all citizens to become more aware of the issues that women and girls face on a daily basis.

Together, we can provide tools and resources to help girls and young women imagine themselves as leaders. **As a supporter of our Girls Leadership Forum** programming, you will not only be able to help a girl or young woman succeed but also to ensure that their family, their communities, the state, and the nation prosper.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to hearing from you. Please feel free to contact us with any questions at (317) 232-6720 or info@icw.in.gov. To learn more about our agency please visit our website at www.in.gov/icw.

ABOUT THE INDIANA COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

The Indiana Commission for Women (ICW) is committed to the full participation of women in all aspects of society in order to make Indiana a better place to live, work, and raise a family. We are committed to moving Indiana women forward by working to remove barriers that may hinder women's participation, by raising awareness of their needs and concerns, and by celebrating their contributions and successes.

Our mission is to understand the needs of Indiana women and their families, and to work strategically both within government and in our communities to help bring about positive change. We encourage all citizens to become more aware of the overall issues women face in Indiana and assist women in becoming better connected to the opportunities, resources, and services available to them in their communities and throughout the State of Indiana and in becoming more engaged as leaders in resolving challenges that they face.

Our Programs and Services

- ◆ **Hoosier Women Speak:** ICW developed *Hoosier Women Speak* to identify key issues affecting women regionally and statewide and to understand critical needs women perceive as important in their communities.
- ◆ **Hoosier Women Lead:** ICW monitors women's progress as leaders in all sectors with an emphasis on local, county, and state government levels.
- ◆ **Preparing the Next Generation Girls Leadership Forum:** ICW offers a one-day workshop for high-potential high school girls and young women entering college for the first time who have demonstrated their desire to become leaders in order to prepare them as leaders for the next generation.
- ◆ **Research Reports:** Periodically, ICW publishes reports on significant issues affecting women in order to highlight their status, condition, and contributions.
- ◆ **Writing Her Story:** ICW created *Writing Her Story* to celebrate the accomplishments made by both historical and contemporary women that contribute to Indiana's progress while shedding light on the resilience and strength of Hoosier women.

REGIONAL GIRLS LEADERSHIP FORUM AGENDA

8:30-9:00 AM	Registration/Breakfast
9:00-9:30 AM	Keynote Speaker
9:30-9:40 AM	Break
9:40-10:40 AM	Personal Leadership (How to Stand Out)
10:40-10:45 AM	Break
10:45-11:45 AM	Social Leadership (Reputation Safety)
11:45-12:00 PM	Break
12:00-1:30 PM	Etiquette and Conversation
1:30-1:40 PM	Break
1:40-2:40 PM	Community Leadership (Personal Advocacy)
2:40-3:00 PM	Closing Remarks



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Scholarship	20 Girls plus 5 Chaperones	8 Girls plus 2 Chaperones	4 Girls plus 1 Chaperone	2 Girls plus 1 Chaperone
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