

**When You Join ---**



--- you have taken the first step to personal professionalism. If you seek to be the best that you can be, you will take part in supporting your organization by attending the meetings, participating in conventions, reading the publications, and serving on committees and in leadership roles.

Inherent to your membership is your agreement to become part of the team to fight for the preservation of affordable housing.

Face the facts. It's your industry. If you won't protect and promote it, who will?

Sincerely,

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## **Indiana Builders Association**

### **Mission Statement**

The Indiana Builders Association (IBA) is a professional statewide association of over 5,900 members focusing on environmentally compatible, safe and affordable housing of all types. IBA works to educate its members, the general public, and all legislators and regulatory agencies to maintain and develop workable and affordable regulations and laws that protect the rights of citizens to own a home.

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## **Benefits**

### **Fiscal Impact Model for New Single-Family Subdivisions**

Studies show that housing does pay its own way and IBA has a fiscal impact model available for members to use to show local units of government how housing benefits their communities.

### **Professional Designation Programs**

IBA administers five national designation programs including the Graduate Master Builder (GMB), Certified Graduate Builder (CGB), Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR), Certified Graduate Associate (CGA), and Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS). These programs provide members an opportunity to learn in-depth knowledge of the building and remodeling industries and provide members a means to market this additional professionalism to consumers.

### **Builders Political Golf Outing**

IBA hosts an annual statewide golf outing for members to network and to raise funds for the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) Build-PAC. These funds are used to network the political world and to educate officials as to the value of affordable housing at the federal level.

### **Indiana Quality Assurance Builder Standards**

The Indiana Quality Assurance Builder Standards program is being implemented in several of Indiana's local associations. The program provides a means to set realistic customer expectations about the building and remodeling process.

### **Excellence in Education Seminar Series**

IBA hosts educational programs throughout the year to help members gain a cutting edge advantage. Seminars often qualify for continuing education credits for Indiana's Real Estate License, Home Inspector License, and for the professional designations.

### **Indiana Housing Protection Fund**

The Housing Protection Fund is used to defray the staggering litigation costs of builders and developers who are litigating a case with either statewide significance to the housing industry or that has the potential for positive impact on an issue of particular interest to the housing industry. It is also used to affect legislation and public policy favorable to the industry.

### **Save Money with SuperFleet Fuel Card**

IBA members save 4 cents on every gallon of fuel purchased at Speedway, Marathon, and Pilot stations by participating in the SuperFleet Association Fueling program.

### **Committees & Councils**

IBA is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of members elected and/or appointed by their local association. IBA has several standing committees that meet in conjunction with the Board to develop and review policy for the Association.

# **Your Guide to Membership in the Builders Association**



*“Every man owes part of his time and money to the business or industry to which he is engaged. No man has a moral right to withhold his support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his sphere.”*

*-Theodore Roosevelt*



# One Membership - Three Levels of Membership Benefits



## *When You Join Your Local Builders Association*

*You Automatically Become a Member of the Indiana Builders Association and the National Association of Home Builders*

### Indiana Builders Association

Toll Free Watts Line: 1-800-377-6334

Members can contact the IBA 24 hours a day toll-free. Members can call at times convenient to their schedules, including after hours when IBA's voicemail system will take the message, and IBA staff will respond as soon as possible.

Website: [www.buildindiana.org](http://www.buildindiana.org)

IBA updates the website regularly with current news and the latest industry happenings. You may also contact staff through their e-mail addresses.

### Indiana's Midwest Builders Convention

IBA hosts a Convention annually with over 30 educational programs, 100 exhibits, a keynote opening speaker, an exhibit party, evening entertainment, and networking with over 1,000 housing industry professionals in a jam-packed two-day event.

### "The Indiana Bildor" Newspaper

IBA publishes and distributes a newspaper to all members that contains the latest industry news, legislative updates, news from around the state, informational articles, and advertisements.

### Lobbyists in the Statehouse

IBA has experienced lobbyists working on your behalf daily to maintain housing affordability. The lobbyists monitor and work for the enactment and/or defeat of hundreds of legislative and regulatory initiatives, and actively participate in interim study committees and the numerous rule makings by various state agencies.

### IBA Grassroots Lobbying, VoterVoice & PAC Funds

IBA's newest communication and grassroots lobbying tool is up and running at IBA's website [www.buildindiana.org](http://www.buildindiana.org). By registering on VoterVoice you can make your voice heard on legislative and regulatory issues that impact the housing industry. Simply log on to the IBA website and click on "Advocacy". You will then be prompted to complete the user information. Once you are registered you will receive issue alerts and be able to easily make your voice heard. In addition, the IBA, the NAHB, and many individual local associations have created political action committees (PACs) to disperse funds to candidates for elective office who are pro-growth and pro-housing. These funds enable the members and organizations to network the political world and to educate officials as to the value of affordable housing.

*(more IBA benefits listed on back)*

### National Association of Home Builders

- \* National Housing Center
- \* Toll Free Watts Line: 1-800-368-5242
- \* Website: [www.nahb.org](http://www.nahb.org)
- \* Members Only Website: [www.nahb.org](http://www.nahb.org)
- \* International Convention
- \* Builder Magazine
- \* NAHB Research Foundation
- \* Lobbyists in the Congress
- \* Westlaw Research
- \* Discounted Products and Services

### A Few State Association Accomplishments for Affordable Housing

*- IBA Members & Consumers Save Millions Due to Proactive Association -*

- \* Caused enactment of legislation creating the statewide **single family building code** which established one standard statewide, thereby enabling builders to operate at greater efficiency and to compete with other builders under the same rule.
- \* Caused to be passed a law that **grants legal powers to the Building Law Compliance Officer (formerly State Building Commissioner) to resolve disputes between builders and local inspectors over code interpretation.** There does not have to be a work stoppage for this opinion.
- \* Caused enactment of a law which **prohibits local governments from implementing increases in fees on construction for at least 90 days** after the enactment of the fee increases.
- \* Caused to be passed a law that **requires Indiana to observe daylight savings time** throughout the state.
- \* **Defeated hundreds of pieces of legislation that would have severely impacted housing affordability** across the state of Indiana, including restrictive land use policies; mandating carbon monoxide detection devices in new homes; and environmental regulations that impede economic development and housing.
- \* Caused enactment of a state law referred to as the **"Right to Cure" law.** The law requires the buyer of a new home to put in writing to the builder any alleged defects, allowing the builder 60 days to make repairs before he can file a lawsuit. If the builder fails to respond to the written letter within 21 days, the buyer may then file a lawsuit.

### Local Builders Association

- \* Government Affairs Programs
- \* Membership Meetings
- \* Educational Opportunities
- \* Committees Working For You
- \* Community Activities
- \* Networking Opportunities
- \* Parade of Homes
- \* Home & Garden Shows
- \* Table Top Displays
- \* Interaction with Local Officials

- \* Caused to be passed a law **restricting the statute of limitations for builders to ten years.**
- \* Caused enactment of the creation of a **Home Inspector state commission to license home inspectors.**
- \* Drafted and passed legislation allowing builders and consumers to **disclaim implied warranty** by opting for a written and insured warranty which meets minimum standards.
- \* Caused to be passed an **Impact Fee Law** restricting how communities may assess impact fees against real estate and which mandates accountability from governments that do so.
- \* Caused to be passed a law that **focuses the responsibility for sediment control rules violation on the responsible party.**
- \* Passed legislation which **allows land developers to claim exemption from state sales and use taxes** for materials integrated into streets, sidewalks, sewers, and storm drains.
- \* Passed legislation which **delays the reassessment** on subdivided lots until each individual lot changes equitable title.

**To Join the Builders Association,  
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or the IBA at (800) 377-6334**