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Best of the Best Champions of Change

Celebrating Champions for Homeownership

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### **OUR VISION**

It is the mission of the Central Indiana Realtist Association to improve the quality of life of the unserved and the underserved by promoting home ownership and providing real estate services that support the goal. It is also our mission to enhance the economic development and improvement of our members and the community we serve.

### **CIRA FULFILLS THIS VISION BY:**

INFORMING

CIRA meets monthly and showcases industry professionals who inform and communicate their knowledge to the membership.

ENSURING

CIRA ensures membership awareness of current news, trends and changes in the industry.

EDUCATION

CIRA offers Homebuyer Education Classes throughout the community.

ENLIGHTENING

CIRA is committed to being a trusted resource to it's membership with in the communities where we work and live.

ADVOCATING

CIRA is a voice for affordable housing at the local and national levels.

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### 2017 CIRA Trailblazer Awards & Recognition Luncheon

### **LUNCH IS SERVED**

Introduction of Mistress of Ceremony

Greeting ......John Hall

Indianapolis Field Office Director,

Department of Housing & Urban Development

Keynote Speaker.....Amy Nelson

Executive Director, Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana

CIRA "Best of the Best" Award Recipients

Trailblazer Recognition

"Champions of Change" Scholarship Recipients......Paige Dowe

MIBOR Support Specialist

50/50 Scholarship Fund.......Dorothy Dodd

Mortg<mark>age Loan</mark> Officer, S<mark>alin Bank</mark>

"That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works." ~Psalms 26:7

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### Diana Rice-Wilkerson **CIRA Board President**

Dear Sponsors, Guests and Friends,

The Central Indiana Realtist Association (CIRA), a local chapter of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers (NAREB), welcomes you to our 4th Annual Trailblazer Awards & Recognition Luncheon!

Our Board of Directors, as well as our membership, sincerely thank you for joining us today. We are privileged to honor this years' Trailblazers and Best

of the Best award winners. Both groups are exemplary in their commitment and dedication to making the dream of homeownership a reality for those previously disenfranchised.

Over the past 4 years, CIRA has celebrated the accomplishments of these individuals as they are the result of a tremendous amount of hard work. The Trailblazers are those who challenged the status quo, fought against injustices such as redlining and racial discrimination, which resulted in changing norms, policies and laws that were keeping perfectly qualified borrowers from being granted access to homeownership. The Best of the Best award winners are those who continue the fight today by going beyond expectations to serve the underserved; examples include advocating for change in underwriting guidelines, encouraging redevelopment of a community or educating the consumer about affordable housing and special loan programs.

Although there has been advancement in improving housing conditions for many, there remains a lot to be done. Indianapolis, along with many other large cities, has a crisis in the availability of affordable housing. This leaves many low to moderate income families forced to pay predatory rent for substandard housing or be subjected to alternative home buying programs that oftentimes result in an undesirable outcome. There is still inequity in credit scoring, underwriting guidelines that penalize homebuyers with student loan debt, and debt ratio limitations that do not consider or acknowledge that low to moderate income families typically pay more for quality housing.

Let's continue to encourage, honor and support these unsung heroes.

In the spirit of celebration, we thank all of you for your support. We extend a special thank you to our sponsors which make this event possible. We are proud of our 2017 Trailblazers and Best of the Best award winners and we thank you for your leadership, diligence and tenacity.

Trailblazer Award Alumni

2015 2014 2016

### Elizabeth Booth

Retired, Real Estate Broker **Booth Realty** 

### Faye Brooks

Real Estate Owner/Broker Real Estate Unlimited Posthumously

### Samuel Hatten

Retired, Self Help Builder/Homeowner Ransom Place

### Fred Kortepeter

Real Estate Broker

### Myra Lillard

Appraiser NSREA President

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Retired Chase, Homeownership Preservation

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### Janis Bradley

Real Estate Broker/Owner |B Real Estate Consultants

### Augustus "Gus" Hamilton

Real Estate Broker/Owner A.W. Hamilton Realtors Posthumously

### Kim Harris

Homeownership Director IHCDA

### Dr. Daisy Lloyd

Retired Real Estate Broker/Owner Retired, Legislator

### Priscilla Russell

Real Estate Broker United Real Estate

### **Robbie Williams**

Real Estate Broker Century 21 Diversified

### Walter S. Blackburn

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### Jonathon E. Edmonds

**Executive Director** Movement Day Greater Dallas

### **Eugene McClain**

Real Estate Broker/Owner McClain Matthews

### Norman "Norm" McClain

Broker Century 21, Scheetz

### Diana Rice-Wilkerson

Senior Loan Officer Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation

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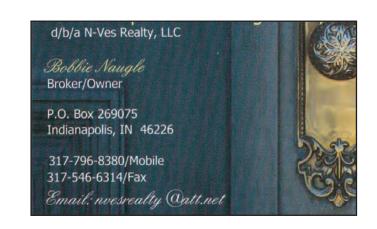






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## Congratulations 2017 Trailblazer Award Recipients

### **BEVERLY MUKES-GAITHER**

Beverly Mukes-Gaither has over 30 years of community development experience as a banker and non-profit practitioner. She recently retired from a corporate position as Vice President and Compliance Director in the Community and Economic Development Department with Fifth Third Bank, Cincinnati Ohio. Her expertise in managing community development programs designed to strengthen low and moderate-income individuals/communities and her leadership skills have resulted in the development and implementation of various community development, diversity, and political action and community affairs initiatives. Prior to her promotion, Beverly worked for the Fifth Third Bank Central Indiana Affiliate for 10 years as Senior Vice President and CRA Officer responsible for managing the Community Reinvestment Act program and all related activities, including grant management, community outreach initiatives, and program compliance.

She has also worked for the premier affordable housing intermediary Indianapolis Neighborhood Housing Partnership, Bank One and Eastside Community Investment, a neighborhood based community development corporation.

Beverly has served the Indianapolis community in a variety of ways. She is a former elected official of the Indianapolis/Marion County City-County Council where her committee assignments and appointments allowed her to focus on community economic development and social service programs impacting low-income citizens of Marion County. She is also a former Commissioner of the Marion County Metropolitan Development Commission and past member of the City of Indianapolis Board of Public Safety. Beverly participated in the Stanley K. Lacy Leadership Series; Class XIII, the Faith Leadership Series sponsored by the Christian Community Foundation and the Indianapolis Diversity Leadership Academy sponsored by Anthem. She has served on the Indianapolis CDBG Task Force, Mayor's Census Advisory Board, Indianapolis UEA Board, Indiana Association of Cities & Towns Advisory Board, Governor's Taskforce of Local Elected Officials, Indianapolis Urban League Board of Directors, Salvation Army, the United Way Community Service Council, Greater Indy Neighborhoods Steering Committee, Marion County Mortgage Foreclosure and Fraud Prevention Taskforce, and the Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority-Housing Trust Fund Advisory Committee. While living in Cincinnati, Ohio she served on the Greater Cincinnati LISC Advisory Board, Greater Cincinnati Community Action Board of Directors and the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce Diversity by Design Action Committee. Beverly holds a B.S. degree in Metropolitan Studies from Indiana University, School of Public & Environmental Affairs.

In 2012 the Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC) honored Beverly by naming her as one of 10 visionaries as part of its Vision 20/20 anniversary celebration. LISC named 10 visionaries (community leaders) and 10 visionary projects that led to positive changes in Indianapolis's urban neighborhoods in the past 20 years. Girl's Inc. named Beverly a Touchstone Award Honoree in 2014 for outstanding achievements and commitment to the community.

Beverly and her sweetheart of 39-years, Henri Gaither, are members of Trinity Baptist of Indianapolis. 7 - Trailblazer Award Luncheon 2017

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### JOYCE BLACK

I obtained my real Estate Broker's license in 1978 and have worked for Century 21 Gold Key and United Real Estate (formerly Sycamore Group Realtors). I became acquainted with NAREB and joined the local chapter in 1998. Through this affiliation, I became an REO broker, which has been invaluable to my business. My REO listing business with Fannie Mae began in 1999. I have been able to sustain this business by keeping abreast and ahead of the market through the training received both from my NAREB mentors/acquaintances and the excellent training received through NAREB, conventions and local training. I feel blessed and I am very grateful, that my association with NAREB has been profitable for me and has

allowed me to expanded my business in such a way that my daughter now works for me.

I have been active in the Real Estate Profession since 1978, I have been a Top Producer in my field since 1984. I have served on the Board of Public Works for the City of Indianapolis, Metropolitan Board of Realtors Professional Standards Committee, and the Grievance Committee. I have served as the President of Capital Building Fund Campaign, Member of the Finance team and I have served on the Trustee Board for my church.

My family is my greatest personal accomplishment. I have 5 children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Iam currently a member of New Direction Christian Church, where I proudly serve.

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### SANDRA SANDIFER

VP, Community Development Banking Community Outreach
Officer
Old National Bank

"One of my favorite quotes is 'if opportunity doesn't knock, build a door,' by Milton Berle. A lot of what we do in Community Development Outreach is identifying those organizations and programs that can help us create opportunities to partner and collaborate on initiatives. To use Berle's words, we build doors."

As a CRA Community Outreach Officer, Sandra conducts and manages community outreach efforts in the Indianapolis area. Sandra is Old National's primary contact with external organizations, as well as, all regional CRA related issues including financial literacy initiatives.

With more than 30 years of community development experience, Sandra is also a valuable asset to many community boards. She currently serves on the boards of NEAR CDC, Economic Development Committee, Rophe Free Clinic, Greater Indy CRA Council and Greater Northern Indiana CRA Council.

### **Community Involvement:**

NEAR CDC, Economic Development Committee, Rophe Free Clinic, Greater Indy CRA Council, Greater Northern Indiana, CRA Council, Money Smart Week®, Central Indiana Committee, Old National Bank, Foundation, Board Member, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, New Horizons Church

### **Accolades:**

Who's Who in Black Indianapolis, Indiana Bankers Association "CRA" training, Freddie Mac Credit Smart for Facilitators, "You Make the Difference" Award

### **Education:**

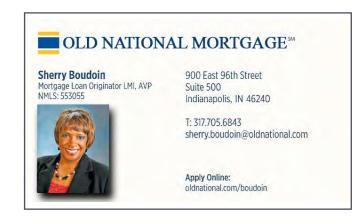
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Bachelor of Arts, Forensic Studies, Indiana University











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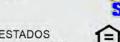


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The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana proudly supports the Central Indiana Realtist Association and this year's Trailblazer Award winners.

Congratulations!



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"Best of the Best"
2017 Award Winners

### Wendy Cooper

Senior Special Projects Manager Insight Development

### **Paige Dowe**

MIBOR Support Specialist

### **Courtney Goodwyn**

Director of Housing Development
Mapleton Fall Creek CDC

### **Doshia Harris**

Broker

JB Real Estate Consultants

### **Jacqueline Simpson**

Senior Mortgage Loan Officer
MB Financial

Central Indiana Realtist Association "Best of the Best" Award Alumni

2014 2015 2016

### Janis Bradley

Real Estate Broker

JB Real Estate Consultants

### Robin Lawrence

Mortgage Loan Underwriter INHP

### Lee McClendon

Homeownership Manager IHCDA

### Lona Neal

Sales Representative Chicago Title

### **Barbara Owens**

Real Estate Broker Owens Realty

### **Shelly Smethers**

Client Services
Chicago Title

### Howard Washington, Jr.

Foreclosure Administrator Martindale Brightwood

### **Brenda Wheeler**

Reverse Mortgage Lender

### **Diana Rice-Wilkerson**

Sr. Mortgage Lender Fairway Mortgage

### **Dorothy Dodd**

Mortgage Sales Officer Salin Bank

### Joe Giacoletti

Appraiser
Giacoletti Real Estate Appraisal
Services

### Mapleton Fall Creek

Indianapolis Housing Agency

### **Amy Nelson**

Director
Fair Housing Center of Central

### Joyce Black

Real Estate Broker United Real Estate

### **Curtis Gregory**

Owner

Gregory Home Inspections

### **Rebecca Harmon Murphy**

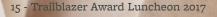
Assistant Director of Business Development INHP

### Mary Stevenson

Financial Coach
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for Working Families

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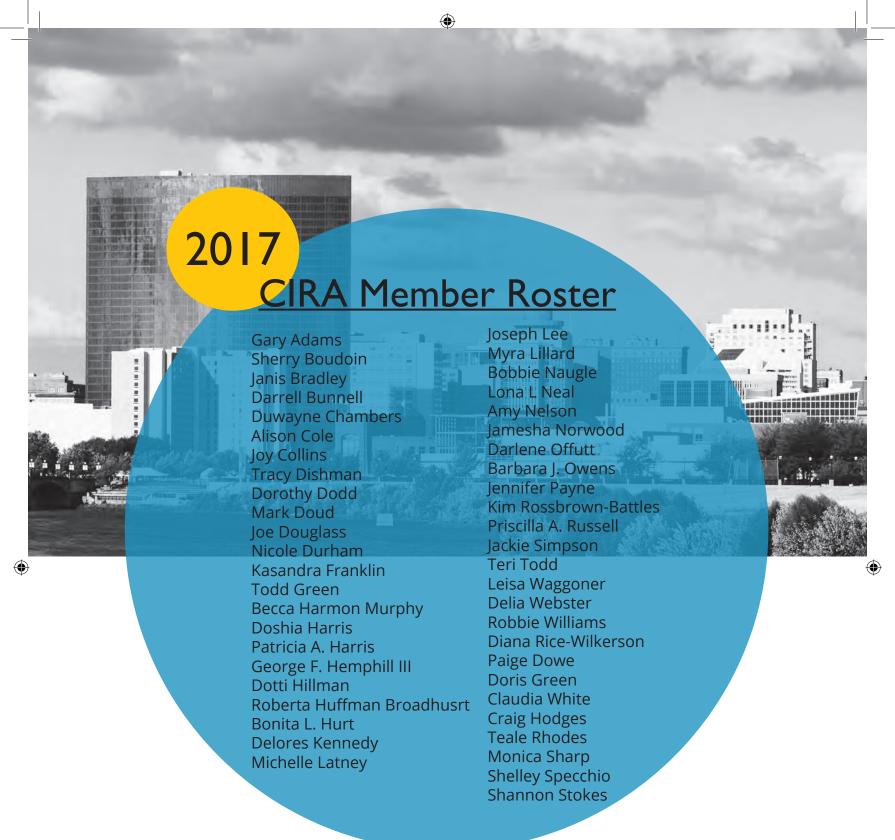
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