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EIG Opportunity Zones Coalition Conference Call

Conference Call Agenda

Thursday, September 5, 2019

2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

Dial-in: 720-707-2699; Meeting ID: 105 081 015

or <https://zoom.us/j/105081015>

- **Discussion of New York Times articles on OZs**
 - New York Times | [How a Trump Tax Break to Help Poor Communities Became a Windfall for the Rich](#) (Jesse Drucker & Eric Lipton, 8/31/19)
 - New York Times | [The Trump Associates Benefiting From a Tax Break for Poor Communities](#) (David Yaffe-Bellany, 8/31/19)
 - New York Times | [The Great Tax Break Heist](#) (Paul Krugman, 9/2/19)

- **Recap of Erie Homecoming 2019**

- **Next Steps on Opportunity Zones Regulations**
 - Request for anecdotes, input on remaining priority issues

- **Legislative Update**

- **Discussion on CRA and Opportunity Zones**

- **Upcoming Working Group Calls**
 - Technical Assistance Working Group Call: Thursday, September 12, 2:00 - 3:00 pm ET
 - i. Please send proposed questions and topics for discussion by COB Monday, September 9.
 - Affordable Housing Working Group Call: Friday, September 13, 1:00 - 2:00 pm ET

- **Policy Updates**
 - Update on California Conformity
 - Indiana announces 6 sites selected for its [Rural Opportunity Zones Initiative](#) in partnership with Purdue University Center for Regional Development
 - KLFY | [Opportunity Zones web portal to feature Louisiana projects](#)

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- Alabama Political Reporter | [Sewell announces \\$127,877 grant to support opportunity zones in the Black Belt](#)
- The Austin Monitor | [Commission proposes code change to get housing in opportunity zones](#)
- The Grant County Beat | [New Mexico offers \\$1 million bonus to Opportunity Zone projects](#)
- **Market Updates and Resources**
 - Responses to the NYT Articles:
 - i. Jared Bernstein Blog | [The NYT wrote a woefully imbalanced piece on Opportunity Zones.](#)
 - ii. Twitter | [Ross Baird](#) (Blueprint Local), [Steve Glickman](#) (Develop), [Chris Schultz](#) (Launch Pad), [Kenan Fikri](#) (EIG), [Dennis Price](#) (Impact Alpha)
 - EIG | [Opportunity Zones Facts and Figures](#)
 - EIG | [“Erie’s Time is Now”: Erie Homecoming features Early Marks of Success in Opportunity Zones](#)
 - EIG | [Webinar - Erie: A City Comes Together to Unlock its Potential through Opportunity Zones](#) ([Recording](#) and [Slides](#))
 - EIG | Advocacy and Communications Webinar for Opportunity Zones Coalition ([Recording](#) and [Slides](#))
 - The New Localism | [Solving for Capacity](#)
 - Morning Star | [First Colorado Company to Receive Equity Investment Under New Opportunity Zone Guidelines](#)
 - York Dispatch | [Innovation District plan in York City receives big boost from opportunity zone](#)
 - Boise State State Public Radio | [New Twin Falls Building Will Be First Major Opportunity Zone Project In Idaho](#)
 - Las Vegas Sun | [Las Vegas council approves financing for major affordable housing project](#)
 - PRWeb | [New Behavioral Health Hospital Coming to Downtown Phoenix Opportunity Zone](#)
 - ImpactAlpha | [Investments in ‘people and places’ start to demonstrate impact in Opportunity Zones](#)
- **Open Discussion**
- **Next Steps**
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General Updates and Resources

Upcoming Opportunity Zones Events

- September 16-18: [National Association of Local Housing Finance Agencies Legislative Conference](#), Washington, DC
- September 19: [IMN Opportunity Zones Forum West](#), Chicago, IL
- September 23-25: [American Planning Association Policy & Advocacy Conference](#), Washington, DC
- October 1: [Maryland Opportunity Zones Conference](#), Ellicott City, MD
- October 17: Brownfield Listing's [Opportunity Zones Bootcamp and Pitch Competition](#), Newark, NJ
- October 22-25: [SOCAP 2019](#), San Francisco, CA
- October 23: [Columbus Chamber of Commerce Government Day](#), Columbus, OH
- October 24-25: [Novogradac Opportunity Zones Fall Conference](#), Chicago, IL
- November 12: [IMN Opportunity Zones Forum West](#), Los Angeles, CA

Past Opportunity Zones Events

- August 9: [Opportunity Zones Expo](#), New York, NY
- August 12: [Opportunity Zones Expo](#), Chicago, IL
- August 13: [Bisnow LA Opportunity Zones](#), Los Angeles, CA
- August 19-20: [Erie Homecoming](#), Erie, PA
- August 27: [EIG Webinar: One Year In - Lessons from Erie's Opportunity Zones Strategy](#)

Key Opportunity Zones Clips

- ImpactAlpha | [Opportunity Zone skeptics and advocates can unite around mandatory impact reporting](#)
- ImpactAlpha | [The Opportunity Zones glass may not yet be half full, but it's too early to call it empty](#)
- New York Times | [How Opportunity Zones and Co-Working Spaces Joined Forces](#)
- Forbes | [How Opportunity Zones Are Helping AI Startups Thrive in Low-Income Communities](#)
- Forbes | [An Unlikely Alliance: Key Figures In The Opportunity Zone Landscape](#)
- Business Insider | [Trump's tax cuts were mostly a big waste of money, but they also included one idea that just might help rebuild forgotten parts of America](#)
- Bloomberg Tax | [California Governor Renews Push for Opportunity Zones](#)
- AZBigMedia | [Affordable housing coming to Downtown Phoenix opportunity zones](#)
- GreenBiz | [Opportunity zones could provide major boost for clean energy, sustainable development](#)
- GlobeSt | [Colorado Co. Makes First Opportunity Zone Equity Investment](#)