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**Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana Director
Honored with Trailblazer Award**

INDIANAPOLIS – On June 28, 2023, the Central Indiana Realist Association (CIRA) hosted its annual Trailblazers Awards & Recognition Luncheon where it honors those leaders who broke down barriers and through glass ceilings in their respective industries in the advancement of homeownership for those who are unserved and underserved.

During the event, the Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana's Executive Director, Amy Nelson, was honored with a 2023 Trailblazer Award for her and her organization's work in fighting housing discrimination. Other CIRA 2023 Trailblazers included:

- Jadira Hoptry, Senior Vice President & Director of Community Lending & Development at First Merchants Bank
- Stephanie Quick, President of Intend Indiana
- Timeko Whitaker, Retired Military & Broker with F.C. Tucker Company

"I am truly humbled to have received this award from an organization that I respect so much in its work in advancing homeownership for those often kept from it through past and current discriminatory practices," said Amy Nelson, Executive Director of the FHCCI. "To be included in such a group of honorees is a tremendous honor that I will continue to work to earn."

CIRA also honored its Best of the Best Awardees and provided student scholarships during the luncheon. Tony Thompson, President & CEO of the National Association of Minority Mortgage Bankers of America was the keynote speaker. A list of previous CIRA Trailblazers can be found at: <https://www.ciranareb.org/about-us/trailblazers/>

It is the mission of the Central Indiana Realist Association (CIRA) to improve the quality of life of the un-served and the under-served by promoting home ownership and providing real estate services that support this goal. It is also CIRA's mission to enhance the economic development and improvement of their members and the community they serve. Additional information on CIRA can be found at <http://ciranareb.org/>

The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana (FHCCI) is a private, nonprofit fair housing organization founded in 2011 and based in Indianapolis, Indiana. Its mission is to ensure equal housing opportunities by eliminating housing discrimination through advocacy, enforcement, education and outreach. To learn about the FHCCI or for more information, visit: www.fhcci.org