

Paul Ryan: Launches non-profit focused on expanding economic opportunity through evidence-based policies

Posted on Monday, Oct 28, 2019

>> **WisPolitics is now on the State Affairs network. Get custom keyword notifications, bill tracking and all WisPolitics content. [Get the app or access via desktop.](#)**

Contact: Kevin@AmericanIdeaFoundation.com

JANESVILLE, WI – This morning, former Speaker of the House Paul Ryan announced the formation of the [American Idea Foundation](#), a not-for-profit organization with offices in Ryan's hometown of Janesville, Wisconsin. The 501(c)(3) will partner with community organizations, academics, and lawmakers who are working on the issues that were the hallmark of Speaker Ryan's career: fighting poverty, increasing economic opportunities, and advancing evidence-based public policies.

Ryan, who will serve as the President of the Foundation, offered the following statement on the organization's launch:

"The American idea means the condition of your birth does not determine the outcome of your life, and I am excited this Foundation will educate individuals about solutions and efforts that give more people the opportunity to realize their versions of the American Dream. Operating at the intersection of academics and local, grassroots organizations around the country, the American Idea Foundation will identify real-world initiatives that are achieving measurable results, highlight these efforts, and work with policymakers to expand them. The American Idea Foundation will demonstrate that it is the bottom-up dynamism of individuals and communities that truly makes America a land of prosperity. I wholeheartedly believe the

Foundation can make a real difference and help those organizations working to expand opportunities across the county. I cannot wait to get started on this endeavor.”

The following videos: [Freedom is the Victor](#) & [Our Story](#) provide additional information on the Foundation and its mission.

The guiding light of the American Idea Foundation is our nation’s commitment to liberty, and fittingly, the launch of the Foundation coincides with the anniversary of the dedication of the Statue of Liberty on October 28, 1886.