

News from Representative Randy Hultgren



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(Rep. Hultgren opens up forum on transportation and technology in Plainfield)

I think I've hit the trifecta of Illinois commuting: taking the Metra to Chicago for years, driving to Springfield every week when I was in the state legislature, and now flying from O'Hare to Washington and back every week—and then of course fighting traffic to get home to my family in Plano. Many of you share my desire for relief from the daily commute.

But I had no idea driverless cars and smart trains were on the technology

horizon.

That's why I was so excited to hear from transportation experts at my **Community Leadership Forum on Transportation and Technology**. We have all seen changes happen in transportation over the decades, but rapid change and innovation is now upon us—innovations designed to save time and money.

These are the innovative ideas that are already taking hold right here in the 14th District. I'll be bringing these ideas with me back to Washington as we consider transportation funding and re-authorization legislation.

Read how it went in these two local news stories below.

[At Plainfield forum, industry experts talk transportation innovation](#) (Will County Herald-News)

[Uber, GM and Fermilab share innovations and vision for transportation](#) (Daily Herald)

[From Illinois Manufacturers and Businesses to Farmers and Sheriffs](#)



(Rep. Hultgren tours Caterpillar plant floor with sons Kaden and Kole)

On my way to Agriculture Day at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, I was able to stop by a key employer in our state: Caterpillar, Inc. I saw firsthand

how this manufacturer is creating jobs at their Track-Type Tractor facility. Many 14th District suppliers work with Peoria-based CAT to bring their products to the market, creating economic growth in our backyard.

[Click here for information on legislation I have introduced, the **Modernizing American Manufacturing Bonds Act \(MAMBA\) of 2015 \(H.R. 2890\)**, to help manufacturers invest in new equipment and hire more workers.](#)

In Oswego, I talked with employees at the local Home Depot to learn about their daily operations and how my work in Congress can help them as they carry out their jobs.



(Rep. Hultgren meets with Home Depot employees in Oswego)



(Rep. Hultgren tours Home Depot store)

Centegra Hospital-Huntley is in the construction phase of its 360,000 square-foot, 128-bed facility. It is estimated that more than 800 jobs will be created to build the hospital, having a total economic impact of \$152 million on local communities.

Centegra Health System hopes to eventually employ about 1,000 Associates at the new hospital. I visited the construction site to get an update on their progress.

[\(Relatedly, have you taken a look at my new State Health Care Options Act? Click here for more information on my plan to empower states like Illinois to build their own ACA alternatives.\)](#)



(Rep. Hultgren visits site of the future Centegra Hospital-Huntley)

It's always a pleasure to visit our local farmers. This week I visited a Woodstock farm with members of the local and state farm bureaus.

Did you know Illinois' farm and fiber industry employs nearly 1 million people, and generates tens of billions of dollars annually to help bolster our economy?



(Rep. Hultgren visits farmers in Woodstock)



(Rep. Hultgren meets with local farmers in McHenry County)

In McHenry County I also met with Sheriff Bill Prim and staff to discuss their detainee contracts with federal agencies, as well as how to continue working together as a community to fight heroin abuse and keep our families safe.



(Rep. Hultgren visits McHenry County Sheriff's Office)

Urging Investigations into Planned Parenthood

In light of the many videos revealing what goes on inside the organization's facilities, I believe Planned Parenthood's activities deserve an immediate and thorough investigation by both state and federal law enforcement. At the state level, I am urging Illinois to act on HR 0671, a resolution introduced by State Representative Jeanne Ives (R-Wheaton) pushing the state to investigate Planned Parenthood and its abortion procedures.

Regardless of the already brutal and grotesque nature of their abortion procedures on unborn life, what was caught on tape reveals they are apparently engaging in trafficking in human organs—a federal offense.

At the national level, [I am pushing the Department of Justice to also investigate](#), and I have cosponsored H.R. 3134 which would place an immediate moratorium on all federal funding of Planned Parenthood for one year while Congress conducts a full investigation.

Planned Parenthood receives more than half a billion dollars from U.S. taxpayers and performs more than 350,000 abortions every year.

Until we have answers, Planned Parenthood should not receive one more dime of taxpayer dollars.

In case you missed it, [I wrote in the Sun-Times about how there are many other qualified health centers in Illinois which are already providing comprehensive care to women.](#)

Naperville Student Earns Congressional Award Gold Medal

The Congressional Award Gold Medal is Congress' highest honor for youth, and I was honored to present it to Kyle Goggio of Naperville who journeyed to Washington, D.C. to attend the 2015 Gold Medal Ceremony.



(Congressional Award Chairman Paxton K. Baker, Medalist Kyle Goggio, and Congressman Randy Hultgren) (Photo courtesy Fritz Photographics)

Winners are selected on the basis of personal development, physical fitness, and voluntary service. Kyle has demonstrated a gifted ability in planning and facilitating events with an impact, including an "international green conference" in Macedonia and various events at local museums. He has also displayed outstanding physical achievement playing hockey and in participating in 10K runs.

Visit <http://congressionalaward.org> for more information about the program.

Save the Date: Home School Expo

Looking for educational tools and materials for your homeschooling students this year? Save the date for the Home School Expo in Crystal Lake on September 8. My staff will be on hand to discuss any education

issues you may have, or to help you as you interact with federal agencies.

[More info is available by clicking here.](#)



If you haven't already, be sure to like my [Facebook page](#), follow me on Twitter ([@RepHultgren](#)), or check out my [YouTube page](#) to stay informed on everything I'm doing on your behalf in Washington and in Illinois.

As always, thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you.

In Your Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randy".

*Randy Hultgren
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