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Dear Subscriber,

We are pleased to share with you news on our latest work in policy research and evaluations. Among other noteworthy news and updates, this issue of the Newsletter highlights recent activity related to our *Two-Generation* research, in addition to highlighting the publication of a joint RMC-Workers Defense Project study on the effects of employer-aimed tax incentives on employment and wages for Texas workers.

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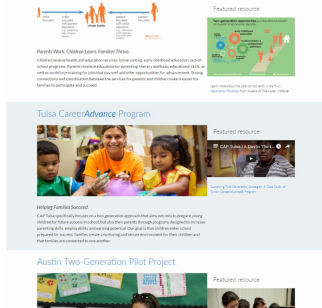
Thank you for your interest.

Heath J. Prince, PhD, *Director*

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Highlights from our two-generation research

The Ray Marshall Center website will soon be hosting shared resources, presentations, and committee minutes



for two-generation partners in the Austin area. We are continually building on this space, so check back often!

THE FAILED PROMISE OF THE TEXAS MIRACLE

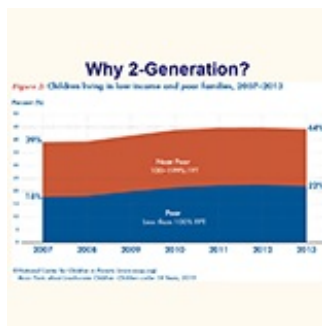


RMC and Workers Defense Project hold press release for latest report

The Ray Marshall Center, in collaboration with the [Workers Defense Project](#), co-sponsored a press release of their report *The Failed Promise of the Texas Miracle: Corporate Subsidies in the Lone Star State* in February. RMC Research Associate Dan O'Shea and

Director Dr. Heath Prince joined researchers at the Workers Defense Project in examining whether or not tax subsidies and other corporate incentives have improved or worsened economic- and education-related inequalities faced by working Texas families.

[The Failed Promise of the Texas Miracle](#)



Dr. King promotes two-generation programs to Dallas partners

RMC Senior Research Scientist Dr. Christopher King presented *The Promise of Two-Generation Anti-poverty Strategies* to [ChildCareGroup](#) and other Dallas partners in January. Recent evidence suggests that Dallas may be well-suited to continue two-generation research.

[Dr. King's Presentation](#)

Review of Radical Political Economics publishes Dr. Prince's book review

RMC Director Dr. Heath Prince's book review of *The Political Economy of Development: The World Bank, Neoliberalism and Development Research* was published by Sage Journal's Review of Radical Political Economics in January. Dr. Prince's review offers acclaim and criticism of the book considered by many to be essential reading for policymakers and scholars interested in The

World Bank's approach to policy and development research.

[Dr. Prince's Review](#)



Dr. King discusses sectoral and career pathway strategies in Oklahoma City



RMC Senior Research Scientist Dr. Christopher King presented *Moving Sectoral and Career Pathway Strategies from Promise to Scale* to the Oklahoma Department of Human Services in February. The presentation, based on a chapter co-authored by RMC

Director Dr. Heath Prince, is part of a practice and policy lecture series sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. Dr. King discussed recent successes and challenges from RMC career pathway program evaluations around the nation, as well as offered recommendations for scaling effectively.

[Dr. King's Presentation](#)

Dr. Prince returns from Middle East and Northern Africa



Our Director, [Dr. Heath Prince](#), just returned from a research project in the Middle East and Northern Africa for the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). Stay tuned for details on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

Ms. Patnaik reviews Project GROW for AEA in Chicago

RMC Social Science Research Associate Ashweeta Patnaik presented at the [American Evaluation Association's Annual Conference](#) in Chicago in



November. In a multi-paper panel, Ms. Patnaik shared an evaluator's perspective on "Using Integrated Data Systems for Multi-Site Evaluations." Ms. Patnaik shared the benefits, challenges, and lessons learned in utilizing such an integrated data system during the RMC's mixed-method multi-site evaluation of Project GROW, an accelerated skills training program spanning the Texas-Mexico border, sponsored by the US Department of Labor's *Workforce Innovation Fund (WIF)*.

[Ms. Patnaik's Abstract](#)

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