We’re excited to introduce IEI’s new email digest, which will highlight recent blog postings, emerging issues, events, and spotlighted news! We hope that you will find this new layout easy to navigate, and to stay up-to-date on recent activities at IEI!

Registration is now open for the February 7, 2017, Focus Forum, kidonomics: The Economics of Early Childhood Investment! Just a reminder that seating is extremely limited for this special, one-day event, so grab your tickets before it sells out!

IEI is launching its new blog, NC Matters, which will include featured profiles of leaders from across North Carolina, IEI issue area updates, event highlights, and more! Check out NC Matters for behind-the-scenes updates at IEI!

With the one-year anniversary of the Institute’s #YouthEngageNC Summit upon us, IEI and Dr. Susan Jakes reflect on last year’s gathering and offer a brief, practical guide to improving youth
engagement, particularly with youth who often slip through the cracks of engagement efforts and opportunities. Read the full report here!

In continued partnership with BB&T, IEI hosted the 2016 Discovery Forum series, partnering with educational institutions in six North Carolina communities to promote young social entrepreneurship. Top pitch teams from each city will compete for up to $10,000 in funding at the annual BB&T Leadership Symposium next March 10-12, at Hunt Library in Raleigh, where they will network with other entrepreneurs from across the state to refine their business ideas and pitch skills. Read more on the competition and stay tuned for updates here!