

Happy July! Hope you are enjoying summer festivities. As we dream of the cooler months, there is no better time to refocus and realign your efforts toward achieving your goals for the rest of the year. Here are some steps to help you refocus during this sizzling hot month:

## 1. Review and Reflect:

- Assess Progress: Look back at the goals you set at the beginning of the year. What have you achieved so far? What still needs attention?
- **Identify Challenges**: Recognize any obstacles that have hindered your progress and think about ways to overcome them.

### 2. Set Clear Priorities:

- **Short-term Goals**: Break down your larger goals into smaller, manageable tasks that you can accomplish in the next few months.
- **Immediate Actions**: Identify what actions need to be taken immediately to keep you on track.
- 3. Engage with Your Trade Association:
  - Attend Events: Look for upcoming events, webinars, or workshops that can provide new insights and networking opportunities. (NIIA Calendar)
  - Seek Mentorship: Connect with experienced professionals in your association who can offer guidance and support.
- 4. Enhance Your Skills:
  - **Professional Development**: Enroll in courses or certification programs offered by the NIIA and their partners to sharpen your skills.
  - **Stay Informed**: Keep up with industry trends and updates through association newsletters, journals, and online resources.

#### 5. Network Actively:

- **Reach Out**: Make an effort to reconnect with colleagues, peers, and mentors in your association.
- **Build Relationships**: Attend social events or informal meetups to strengthen your professional network.

# 6. Advocate and Participate:

- **Get Involved**: Join committees or special interest groups within your association to contribute your expertise and learn from others.
- **Stay Updated**: Be aware of any advocacy efforts or policy changes that could impact your industry.

## 7. Stay Motivated:

- **Celebrate Wins**: Acknowledge and celebrate the progress you have made, no matter how small.
- **Stay Positive**: Maintain a positive attitude and stay motivated by visualizing the successful achievement of your goals.

By taking these steps and staying engaged with the Nevada Big 'I', you can refocus your efforts and set yourself up for a successful second half of the year.