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The primary purpose of this project is to present evidence-based economic policy proposals at the federal and state levels to deliver broadly shared economic prosperity by making wages a key outcome to structural economic reforms. A second goal, however, is to elevate a diverse set of voices and cutting-edge ideas from a group of scholars across universities and stages of their careers. The ideas discussed here belong to the authors alone and do not reflect Equitable Growth’s policy positions or the policy positions of any of the authors’ organizational affiliations.