

INDY NORTHSIDE NEWS

February 2025

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RESOURCES

- Report potholes, abandoned vehicles, stray animals, & more through the Mayor's Action Center:
 - 317.327.4622
 - [Request Indy Online here](#)
 - Request Indy App
- My contact info
 - mina.moussa@indy.gov
- Community Office Hours
 - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 10-12
 - [Click here for locations](#)

MEET YOUR MNA

Hello! My name is Mina Moussa, and I am the MNA for Area 1. Before joining the city, I was with Project Azul, an Indianapolis non-profit focused on upskilling individuals in the logistics and manufacturing industries. I majored in Anthropology at Ball State (chirp chirp!). When I'm not working, I like to hang out with friends, try out new restaurants, and watch movies.



SOCIALS

If you know anyone who may find this newsletter helpful, please encourage them to add their email to the distribution list at: [Click this link](#)

To see weekly updates, [follow me on Nextdoor here.](#)



SURVEY - NEED YOUR INPUT!

This year, the city will be hosting city halls where residents can submit questions to their MNA and have it answered during a presentation night in conjunction with a few departments. Area 1 will be the first area to host a city hall, and we want to hear your thoughts! Please respond to the survey below so we can gather questions and bring the agencies you want to hear from to the city hall. More details to be announced.

[Click this link to get to the survey](#)

TASTE OF INDY 2025

Mark your calendars for Taste of Indy! Indiana's largest culinary celebration that happens at the White River State Park is happening **Saturday, July 5, 2025**. Vendor opportunities are available for restaurants, bars, local retail businesses, artists, or non-profits. Applications are due by **Saturday, May 31, 2025**.

Official Website: <https://tasteofindy.org/>

Vendor Application: <https://tasteofindy.org/vendors/>

TARKINGTON PARK CONSTRUCTION

On Tuesday, February 25th, Mayor Joe Hogsett & Indy Parks broke ground on a \$3 million project at Tarkington Park. The project will include a new multi-use football and soccer field, a walking path, and new pickleball and tennis courts. Funding for the project comes from a \$80 million Lilly Endowment Grant to Indy Parks which is part of the \$140 million being invested in Indy Parks amenities. This project is the first of three projects kicking off Indy Parks' 2025 construction season over the next week which also includes Chapel Hill Park followed by Franklin Township Community Park.

CHANGES TO COMMUNITY RECYCLING DROP-OFF

Effective immediately, the Indianapolis Department of Public Works (Indy DPW) today announced the addition of a community recycling drop-off site at Riverside Park, 2420 E Riverside Drive.

The community drop-off locations across the city are for disposing of household recyclable materials only. Commercial use of the sites is prohibited. The future longevity of each drop-off site is contingent upon the public utilizing it for its intended purpose.

All materials must be loose, clean, and dry. All cardboard boxes must be flattened before placing in a recycling bin.

If recyclables are placed in a plastic bag, they cannot be processed. Plastic bags get caught in sorting machines and put employees at risk of potential hazards during the sorting process. Your recyclables can be placed in an open paper bag or you may opt to transport them in a reusable tote or bin.

The following materials are accepted at the community drop-off recycling sites free of charge:

- All colors of glass
- #1 and #2 plastic bottles and jugs (no Styrofoam, plastic bags, or plastic film)
- Aluminum, tin, and steel beverage and food cans
- Newspapers, broken down cardboard boxes, paper, and magazines
- "When in doubt, throw it out!" If you are unsure if something is recyclable, it is better to place it in the garbage than in the recycling bin and hope you're right, a problematic practice known as "wish-cycling"

Legal disposal options exist for all other forms of waste:

- If it's still in good condition, consider donating it. Find local donation centers at indy.gov/recycle.
- Furniture and bulky items should be brought to the Citizens' Transfer Station or set out on your heavy trash pickup day.
- Extra household trash bags should also be brought to the Citizens' Transfer Station.
- Household hazardous waste and most electronics can be recycled at one of the City's ToxDrop locations.
- Electronics can also be recycled at RecycleForce's new headquarters at 816 N. Sherman Drive during their regular weekday hours.
- If you hire someone to dispose of waste for you, ask to see their Waste Hauler License, and do not pay without a disposal receipt. Properly disposing truckloads of materials costs these contractors at least \$60 -- if you're charged less, be suspicious.

Additional local recycling information, including information on the City's goals to make solid waste options more accessible and convenient for all Marion County residents and how to subscribe for biweekly curbside recycling pickup, can be found at indy.gov/recycle.

For a map and address information of other drop-off recycling locations, visit indy.gov/activity/find-a-recycling-drop-off-location.

OMWBD CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP



Join the Office of Minority and Women Business Development to **learn how to certify your minority, women, veteran, and/or disabled owned business**, and unlock new opportunities for growth and development!

WORKSHOP DETAILS

Monday, March 3, 2025
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Indianapolis Public Library
- Eagle Branch
(Community Room)
3905 Moller Road

RSVP TODAY!



Scan the QR code or visit the link below to register.

<https://forms.office.com/g/JkZWsp6Mwe>

NEIGHBOR POWER INDY



IGNITING UNITY IN COMMUNITY

Join us for our **free annual conference**
celebrating Indy communities on
March 8th at 9 AM at Martin University.

Community Panel

Workshops

Lunch



Resource Tables

Networking

Awards

REGISTER HERE

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S GATHERING

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WOMEN'S
GATHERING
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\$25
ENTRY!

INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS

ENTERTAINMENT

INTERNATIONAL FOODS

UNIQUE VENDORS

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

WHEN: MARCH 15, 2025

TIME: 12PM TO 4PM (DOORS OPEN AT 11AM)

WHERE: 4233 LAFAYETTE RD. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46254



BIBIBOP
asian grill

CHASE

INDIANAPOLIS
RECORDER
NETWORK

107.1
INDY CARBON

The Mind Trust

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94.3FM

PNC

PANTERA
103.9

ALLEN
WHITEHILL
CLOWES

N
NEWFIELDS

COFFEE WITH A COP



Coffee with A Cop

March 19, 2025

9a-10a

**Dunkin Donuts
3850 N Shadeland Ave**

IMPD East District

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!!

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!!

