

PORCH PARTY INDY

GRANTEE

**HARRISON CENTER
FOR THE ARTS**

INVESTMENT

\$3,000

Project Overview:

In 2014, the Harrison Center began encouraging people to gather on their porches with friends and neighbors, to share food and drink and to help cultivate a sense of community in our urban neighborhoods. Since that time, the popularity of “porching” has soared.

Porch Party Indy puts into practice the Harrison Center for the Art’s mission of knowing and loving our neighbors. When people are connected, they are healthy. When people are connected in neighborhoods, the neighborhood is healthy. When this happens in neighborhoods across a community, the community becomes healthy.

“Porching” is a way of intentionally building relationships rooted in a shared place that leads to thriving communities, increased livability, and a sustainable rhythm of gathering together.

Porch Party Indy, supported by the MIBOR ECDC, is a neighborhood capacity-building initiative, facilitating relationships among neighbors and leading to a culture of connection and support. Connected neighborhoods make Indianapolis a great place to live and experience community.



+ Supports Historic Preservation

+ Improves Quality of Life

+ Improves Community Livability

+ Promotes Cultural Opportunities

+ Fosters Community Engagement and Participation

+ Increases Access to Public Arts

+ Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place

+ Promotes Inclusive Activation and Programming

+ Advances Racial Equity

+ Increases Equitable Cultural Development