



# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Juneteenth Foodways Festival



## GRANTEE

Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site



## INVESTMENT

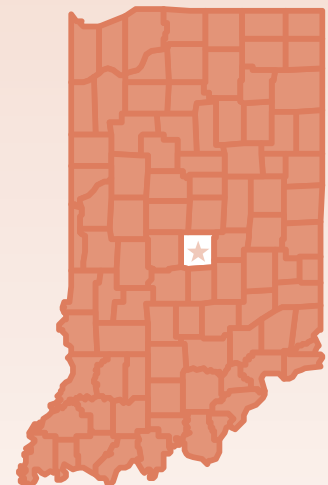
\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site hosted the 3rd Annual Juneteenth Foodways Festival, which celebrated the lasting legacy of Black culinary traditions and how they have influenced American culture by promoting Indiana Black-owned businesses. Attendees were able to sample food, browse retail shops, and learn about Dolly Johnson, the White House chef hired by President Benjamin Harrison. With an array of some of Indianapolis' diverse food offerings, the event incorporated Black restaurants, entrepreneurship, and program partnerships with historically Black non-profit partners. This one-day event had nearly 2,000 attendees and incorporated nearly 30 food and retail partners.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Historic Preservation
- Improves Quality of Life
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Community Engagement and Participation
- Increases Organizational Programming
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Support for Small Businesses
- Encourages Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Supports Minority Owned Businesses
- Engages Businesses to Positively Impact Communities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences
- Increases Tourism Opportunities





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## PROJECT

# Boone EDC Digital Upgrade Program



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Boone County EDC



INVESTMENT

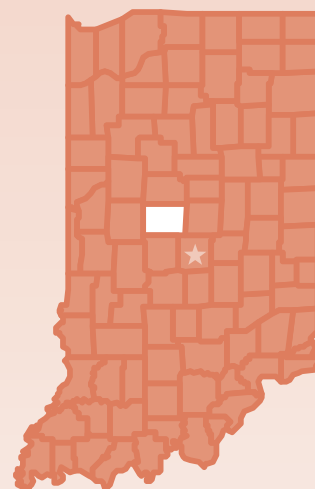
\$1,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Boone Economic Development Corporation Digital Upgrade Program is an innovative initiative poised to revolutionize the way local enterprises engage with their customers and operate behind the scenes. It is an opportunity to help these businesses in a transformative journey. Businesses undergo a comprehensive digital audit to identify strengths, weaknesses, and actionable goals to amplify their digital presence. Strategies may include e-commerce integration, enhanced customer experience, and operational efficiency.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Community Livability
- Small Business Development
- Increases Workforce Development Opportunities
- Encourages Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Supports Technology Advancements





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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

### PROJECT

## Feasibility Study for Acquisition and Expansion of Clubhouse



### GRANTEE

Boys and Girls Club of Morgan Co



### INVESTMENT

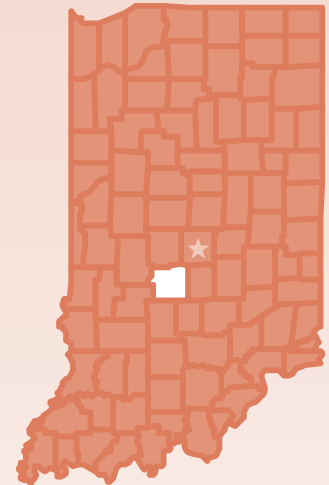
\$2,500

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Boys and Girls Club of Morgan County has taken ownership of the facility they are currently in. Funding support is assisting the Club with a feasibility study/needs assessment, which will lead to the creation of a business plan and launching a successful capital campaign. The funding will help the Boys and Girls Club of Morgan County determine the best forward path towards expansion. It is their goal to offer world class programming and affordable workforce childcare to more families with the outcome of serving up to 175 youth and teens per day.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Increases Opportunities for Programming
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Land Use Planning that Encourages Fiscal, Environmental, and Cultural Sustainability
- Supports Talent Attraction
- Supports Workforce Development Opportunities
- Provides Childcare Options for the Workforce





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# Brown County Christkindl Market



## GRANTEE

**Brown County Playhouse**



## INVESTMENT

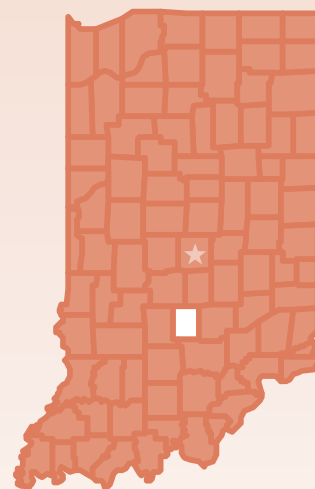
**\$2,500**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Because tourism is the main economic driver in Brown County, funding will support the 4th Annual Brown County Christkindl Market. The holiday market will bring residents and visitors together for this community event, all while supporting local businesses, restaurants, artists and performers.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Community Engagement
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Increases Year-Round Recreational Opportunities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Business Retention
- Increases Small Business Support and Growth
- Encourages Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences







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## PROJECT

# Beech Grove Parks Summer Concert Series



## GRANTEE

City of Beech Grove



## INVESTMENT

\$2,500

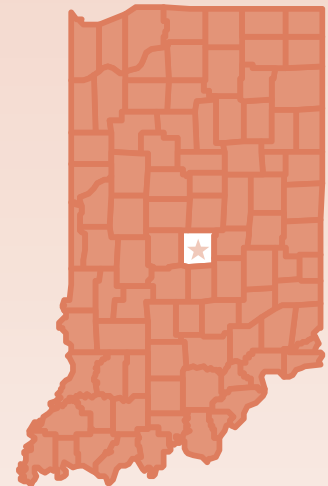
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The City of Beech Grove and the Parks Department put on a free summer concert series during the summer of 2024 with funding from the MIBOR community impact initiative. Around 500 people attended the family friendly series.



## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Community Engagement
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Increases Parks Programming
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Creates New Events to Attract New Visitors





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## PROJECT

# 4th Ward Community Resource Park



## GRANTEE

City of Greencastle



## INVESTMENT

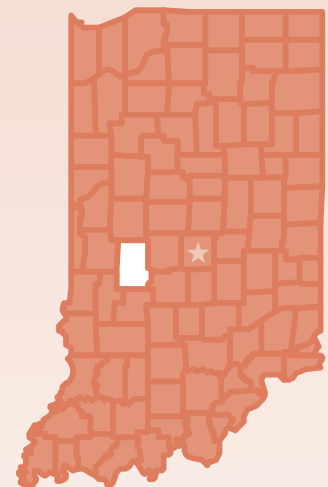
\$2,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding supported the development of a Community Resource Park in Greencastle's 4th Ward. This project transformed an existing park into a safer, enclosed space for children to play freely, away from surrounding street traffic. Additionally, the park features community resource boards providing vital information on local services such as domestic violence protection, food pantries, non-food pantries, and other community resources. The goal is to increase awareness and accessibility of these resources for families visiting the park, thereby enhancing community well-being and safety.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Greenspace Improvements
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Increases Access to Public Amenities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Increases Safety
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Active Living
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits





## COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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**BOONE COUNTY**  
CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

### PROJECT

## Event Impact Calculator



### GRANTEE

**Discover Boone County**



### INVESTMENT

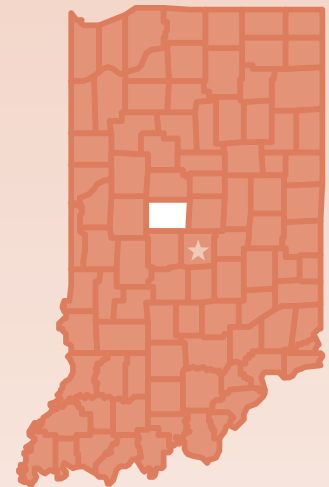
**\$2,500**

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding supported Discover Boone County in purchasing an Event Impact Calculator, which is software that measures the economic value of an event and calculates its return on investment to local taxes. Armed with this information, destination organizations and CVBs are better prepared to make the case to policymakers and stakeholders for the ongoing development and growth of the events, sports and meetings sectors. Updated annually, the calculator draws on ten different data sources to provide an industry-wide standard. This calculator will help Discover Boone County determine where to spend their valuable time and resources to best benefit the county and attract guests.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Encourages Community and Stakeholder Collaboration in Decision Making
- Supports Technological Advancements
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Opportunities for Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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## PROJECT

# Fountain Campaign



## GRANTEE

Friends of Garfield Park



## INVESTMENT

\$10,000

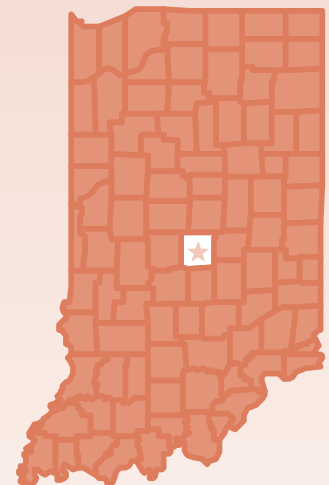
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding supported the capital campaign to repair and restore a historic community asset in Garfield Park – the fountains in the Sunken Garden. Garfield Park is Indianapolis' oldest park and is home to the Conservatory and Sunken Garden. The Sunken Garden is a 3-acre, fully enclosed, European-style formal garden, with three fountains as the centerpieces. Surrounded by paved brick walkways, limestone benches and glorious landscaping, this vibrant community asset has been an anchor for Garfield Park since 1916. Architect George E. Kessler envisioned the fountains and Sunken Garden as a way to enhance the community, and this project to repair and replace them, permanently, is a top priority for the Friends of Garfield Park.



## IMPACT METRICS:

- Historic preservation
- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Greenspace Improvements
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Increases Accessibility of Public Amenities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Promotes Active Living
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors







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## PROJECT

# Montgomery County Adopt a Storm Drain



## GRANTEE

Friends of Sugar Creek



## INVESTMENT

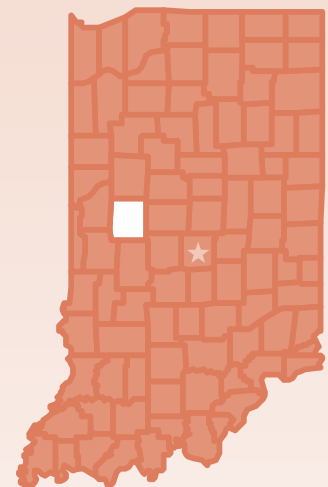
\$3,342

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Friends of Sugar Creek (FSC) is an organization with the purpose to protect, restore, and promote appreciation of Sugar Creek and its watershed. Friends of Sugar Creek serves Montgomery County, Indiana and communities located along the 100 miles of the creek from its source in Tipton County to its confluence with the Wabash River. In 2020, FSC launched a program called Montgomery County Adopt a Storm Drain. This volunteer program engages the Community residents to pledge 15 minutes twice a month to ensure cleaner watersheds and a healthier Sugar Creek. Adopt a Storm Drain asks community members to adopt a storm drain in their neighborhood and pledge to keep it clear of trash, leaves, and other debris and report progress on an interactive website. With funding support from the MIBOR Economic and Community Development Council, Friends of Sugar Creek was able to expand their current program and involve REALTORS®. FSC participated in the MIBOR REALTOR® Action Day on July 12 by having Montgomery County REALTORS® spend the day collecting trash and debris from storm drains located in the community. The local radio station was also on site to promote the event, FSC and make the public aware that REALTORS® are beautifying the community. FSC also involved REALTORS® by having them distribute informational postcards to their clients which promote the Montgomery County Adopt a Storm Drain community program and best practices of keeping the community clean.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Greenspace Improvements
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits
- Promotes Natural Features and Destinations
- Promotes the Preservation and Celebration of Unique Natural Features and Environmentally Sensitive Areas





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### PROJECT

## Sam's Soccer Shed



### GRANTEE

Friends of Troop 27 Indianapolis Inc.



### INVESTMENT

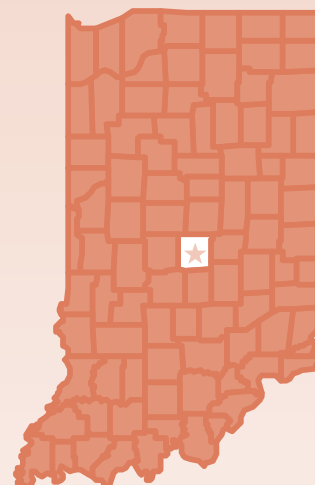
\$2,500

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding supported the building of an equipment shed for the Naptown United Soccer League, allowing the community to continue to serve local youth for many years to come. This was an Eagle Scout project.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Fosters Community Participation
- Creates Additional Amenities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Active Living
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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## PROJECT

# General Support



## GRANTEE

Friends of White River



## INVESTMENT

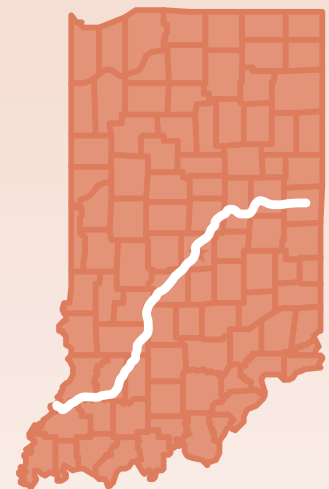
\$2,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Friends of the White River exists to protect, preserve, and promote our vital resource for communities in Central Indiana by connecting people to the White River. Funding was used to support the vision of Friends of the White River, which is to sustain the long-term viability of the White River for future generations by securing the necessary resources to educate, inform and collaborate with the community including individuals, educators, government, business and other organizations.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Greenspace Improvements
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits
- Promotes Natural Features and Destinations
- Promotes the Preservation and Celebration of Unique Natural Features and Environmentally Sensitive Areas







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## PROJECT

# Oktoberfest Free Fall Concert



## GRANTEE

Greenwood Parks and Recreation



## INVESTMENT

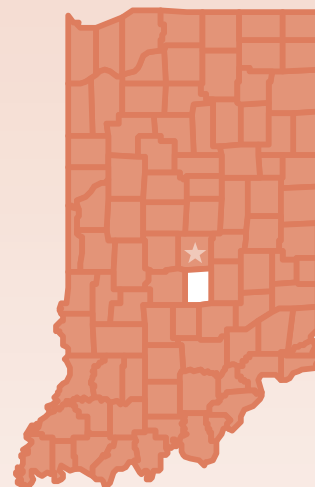
\$2,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Greenwood Parks and Recreation has had a very successful summer concert series for over a decade, so they have decided to extend the concert series into the fall. With funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative, Greenwood Parks offered its first Oktoberfest-themed concert within the series on October 5, 2024. The event consisted of a musical performance by a regionally popular polka band, a beer-stein holding competition, traditional German food vendors, and more.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Community Engagement
- Increases Programming
- Enhances Park Department Amenities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Additional Amenities and Event to Attract New Visitors







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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## PROJECT

# White Riverway Hammock Connections



## GRANTEE

Hamilton County Tourism/Discover White River



## INVESTMENT

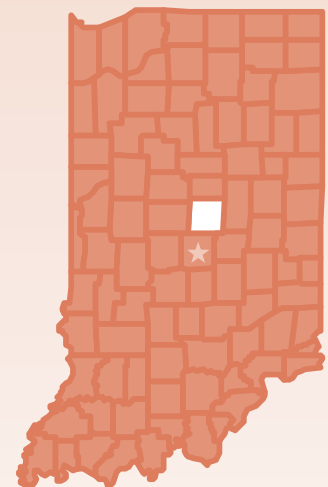
\$4,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

In an effort to continue to engage MIBOR REALTOR® members and the public with the White River Vision Plan, funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported White Riverway Hammock Connections. With the help of REALTOR® volunteers, six hammock stations at six different parks along White River were created. These hammock stands, which allow for three individuals to hang their travel hammocks, will provide another fun and low-barrier way for park visitors to enjoy the beauty and tranquility of our riverside parks - falling under the Activation pillar of the White River Vision Plan. When people experience the river, they will grow a love for it, and then work to steward this valuable natural resource.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Enhances Park Department Assets
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits
- Promotes Natural Features and Destinations
- Promotes the Preservation and Celebration of Unique Natural Features and Environmentally Sensitive Areas.





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### PROJECT

# Indiana Latino Expo Professional Development Plan



GRANTEE

Indiana Latino Expo



INVESTMENT

\$3,000

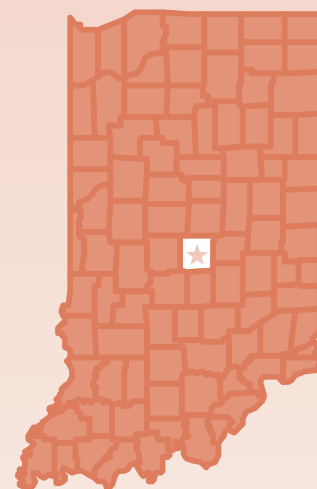
### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Indiana Latino Expo is expanding as they continue to work to reach various communities across the region. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative helped purchase new office space, offer a stipend to an administrative and marketing intern and execute a networking event for students interests in community engagement.



### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Workforce Development Opportunities
- Increases Talent Development Opportunities
- Supports Discovering Career Pathways
- Supports the Retention of Young Professionals





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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## PROJECT

# Indianapolis Cultural Trail Welcome Center

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Indianapolis Cultural Trail is in the process of purchasing their current space at 132 W Walnut Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204. By purchasing the building, the Indianapolis Cultural Trail will be able to better serve the community and grow their operations alongside the growth of the Cultural Trail and Pacers Bikeshare. The space serves as a critical home for their staff, equipment, volunteers, and community programs. Funding support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative will support their goal to purchase, expand, and renovate the headquarters and home of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Inc. and Pacers Bikeshare.



## GRANTEE

Indianapolis Cultural Trail

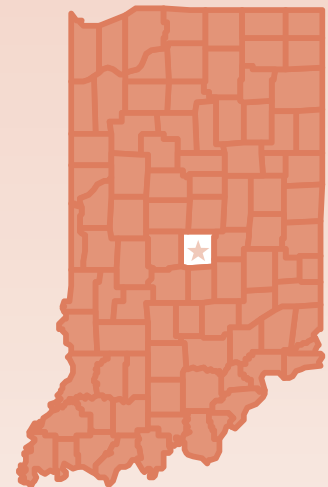


## INVESTMENT

\$10,000

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Creates Façade Improvements
- Increases Opportunities for Community Engagement
- Increases Accessibility to Public Amenities
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Tourism Opportunities







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

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# Etheridge Knight Community Programming



## GRANTEE

Indy Arts Council



## INVESTMENT

\$2,500

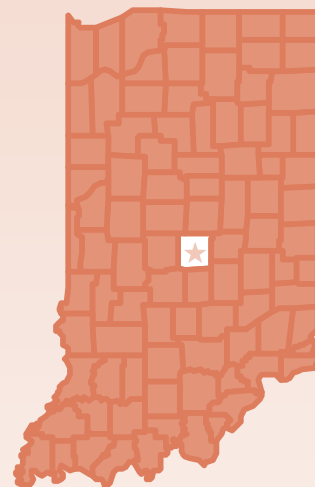
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Etheridge Knight Community Programming aims to energize community engagement with the Bicentennial Legends Etheridge Knight portrait mural, installed in June 2023 on the east wall of 435 Massachusetts Avenue (the building housing the Chatterbox Jazz Club). The MIBOR Economic and Community Development Council previously invested in the mural. Through programming the Indy Arts Council will spotlight an important work of art, demonstrating support for public art and community beautification efforts. The Indy Arts Council's public art program and associated activation events are predicated on the belief that quality of place is a key factor in economic development. Employees are drawn to areas offering a high quality of life, prompting businesses to seek locations that help attract and retain valuable talent. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported the following community programs:

- Support for an episode of the "Finding Etheridge" series presented as part of the WFYI "Cultural Manifesto" radio program and podcast.
- Support for one themed evening of the community poetry workshop "Sometimes Y," modeled after Etheridge Knight's Free Peoples Poetry Workshops, that takes place on the first Thursday of every month at the Chatterbox (as the Free Peoples Poetry Workshops did). Hosting would occur on October 3, 2024.
- Support for the development and presentation of a new, original Etheridge Knight-themed walking tour of the Mass Avenue neighborhood presented by Through2Eyes.
- Support for a special public reading of Etheridge's poetry in front of the mural with the EKFreePeoplesBe project (Etheridge Knight Legacy Initiative) on September 6, 2024.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Encourages Historic Preservation
- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Art
- Increases Programming Opportunities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Promotes Inclusive Activation and Programming
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences







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## PROJECT

# Affordable Housing Low Moderate Income Builds



GRANTEE

Indy Gateway, Inc.



INVESTMENT

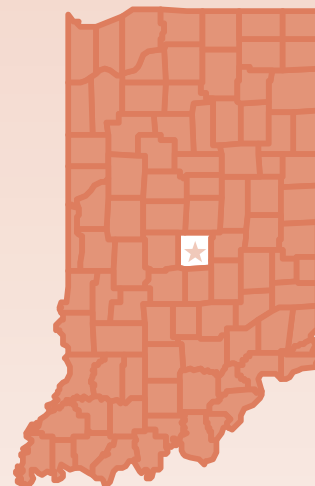
\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Indy Gateway remains committed to promoting more access to affordable quality housing options, so more people will be able to experience why the west side is a great place to live, work and raise a family. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported the building of affordable homes through the Area 31 Construction Trades Program with the Area 31 Career Center at Ben Davis High School and Private Contractor Build Program.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Promotes Infill and Dense Development Rather than Sprawl, Where Appropriate
- Creates a Range of Housing Options
- Creates and Promotes Attainable Housing Options
- Repurposes Vacant Lots into Housing
- Advances Generational Wealth
- Creates Opportunities for Workforce development





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## COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

# INRC'S 3RD ANNUAL

# JUBILEE

OCTOBER 10TH 2024

### PROJECT

## INRC's 3rd Annual Jubilee



### GRANTEE

**Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center**



### INVESTMENT

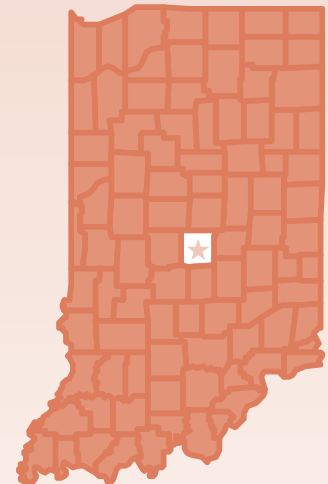
**\$3,500**

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center (INRC) is a nonprofit organization in its 30th year of operation with a mission focused on supporting, advocating for and empowering neighbors and neighborhood-based organizations. INRC moves this work forward with training and programming that empowers neighbors to discover and utilize individual and community assets that foster neighborhood leadership and collaboration. Funding from the Community Impact Initiative supported the third annual Jubilee event which provides important funding for INRC's core Neighborhood Services offerings. The program brings together INRC alumni, neighbors, community partners, and non-profit professionals to celebrate INRC's programming and its alumni. This event not only raises funds needed to sustain and gain capacity for current programs but is a means for nurturing relationships with neighbors and stakeholders in the city. The 3rd Annual Jubilee will spotlight INRC's Creative Placemaking program. This program empowers neighbors to establish a sense of place and connection while working collaboratively to address community challenges, using arts and culture strategies to bridge neighborhoods. Awardees of this program, many of whom are local artists, will be celebrated for their placemaking achievements and their work will be showcased during the event.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Increases and Encourages Community Participation
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Brings Diverse Community Members Together in Order to Assess Needs and Set Priorities
- Promotes Inclusive Activation and Programming





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# Child Care Action and Investment Plan



### GRANTEE

Invest Hamilton County



### INVESTMENT

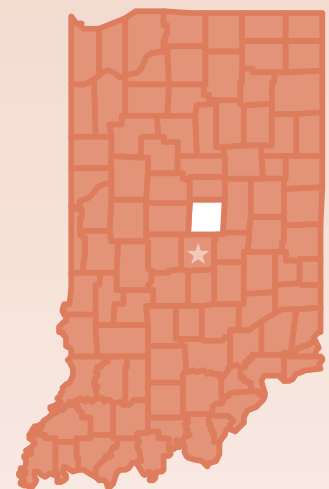
\$5,000

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The childcare options within the region are very limited. Invest Hamilton County used funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative to help engage local employers, community organizations and civic leaders in the development of a joint Community Action and Investment Plan centered around childcare availability/benefits and the lack of accessible inventory within the local market, as well as improve childcare access for county employees and first responders. The development of a comprehensive community action and investment plan will help facilitate future investments in the ecosystem, engage providers and employers with workforce development and K-12 education professionals, and help develop consensus among philanthropic, corporate and civic leaders regarding funding priorities and coordinated action plans. This will facilitate hundreds of local businesses being able to engage in coordinated and sophisticated childcare solutions.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Brings Diverse Community Groups Together in Order to Assess Needs and Set Priorities
- Influences Public Policy
- Encourages Collaboration Among Organizations, Agencies and Local Government
- Supports Research in the Childcare Sector
- Creates Opportunities for Workforce Development







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## PROJECT

# Small Business Week



## GRANTEE

John Boner Neighborhood Centers



## INVESTMENT

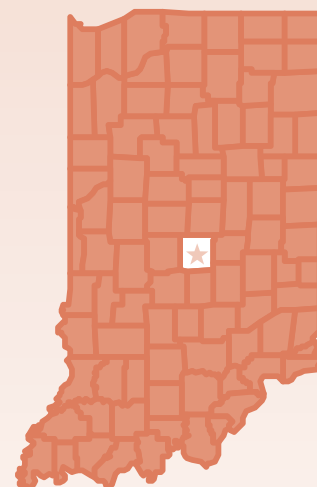
\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

John Boner Neighborhood Centers (JBNC) is a 501(c)(3) social services and community development organization that believes neighborhood-driven efforts are essential in developing a healthy, thriving, and vibrant community. The organization's mission is to inspire neighbors and partners to improve the quality of life on the Near Eastside of Indianapolis by providing tools for change and growth. JBNC is always looking for opportunities to bolster economic growth within the community and they were able to achieve this by hosting a week-long event for the 2024 National Small Business Week in May. The week included activities that focused on expanding access to capital, increasing contracting opportunities, and providing support in the areas of counseling and education to ensure small businesses have the resources they need to thrive. Small businesses traditionally receive support through technical assistance, such as strategic planning, capital access, marketing, financial planning, and networking. Although broad support is available, regional gaps within the technical assistance field prevent businesses from reaching their full potential. These gaps include language and cultural barriers, insufficient assistance with access to capital, insufficient support to help businesses understand their needs and how to navigate the technical assistance system, and lack of assistance in preparing for economic uncertainty. Small Business Week brought together technical assistance programs, capital resources, and partners into one space where small business owners and entrepreneurs could receive assistance. In coordination with LISC Indianapolis, Martindale Brightwood Community Development Corporation (MBCDC), Southeast Neighborhood Development (SEND), and the Small Business Administration (SBA), JBNC will expand access to small business assistance in the Near Eastside, Martindale Brightwood, and Southeast Neighborhoods of Indianapolis. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported multiple events during the 2024 National Small Business Week. The four days of events will each focus on the key areas to a successful small business: technical assistance, access to capital, access to market, and preparing a pitch.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Increases Opportunities for Community Engagement
- Fosters distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place
- Encourages Small Business Retention
- Creates Opportunities for Talent Retention
- Creates Small Business Development Opportunities
- Provides Small Business Support
- Encourages Small Business Growth
- Provides Workforce Development Opportunities
- Encourages Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Encourages Businesses to Positively Impact Communities







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# 2024 Project GreenSpace



## GRANTEE

Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Inc.



## INVESTMENT

\$5,000

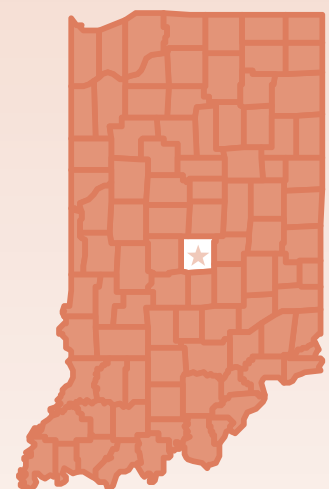
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

AES Indiana Project GreenSpace turns vacant lots into community spaces such as parks, orchards, and outdoor classrooms. Neighborhood groups contribute volunteer labor and a vision for their landscape, and KIB coordinates the plants, tools, materials, volunteers, landscape design, and project management needed. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported the addition of two sheds with community lockboxes, giving neighbors more independence and easier access to the tools to maintain their pocket parks. The two locations where the sheds have been built are at the Mozel Sanders Foundation GreenSpace and the Northwest Landing Neighborhood Association/Aspire House GreenSpace.



## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Destinations
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Increases Community Participation
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Active Living
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits





## COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

### PROJECT

## Harvesting Hope



### GRANTEE

Land Stewards of Indianapolis



### INVESTMENT

\$1,000

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

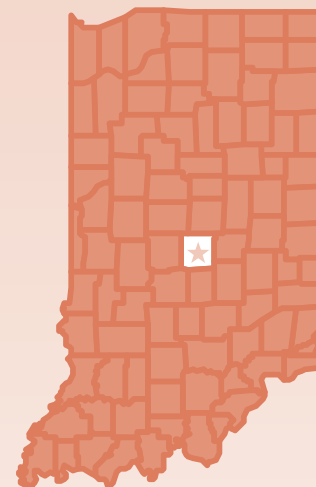
Land Stewards of Indianapolis provides fresh produce to communities with limited access to these products and provides positive youth activities and connections to build positive relationships and community connections that promote curiosity and learning. Additionally, the organization hosts food demonstrations to promote wellness and nutrition. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported Land Stewards in the purchase of a refrigerator for the P30 Tower Garden space to store and preserve harvested vegetables to share with members of the community.



Land Stewards of Indianapolis

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Increases Year - Round Activities
- Increases Community Participation
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits
- Improves Food Access





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Local Economic Development Organizations



## INVESTMENT

**\$20,000**

(\$2,500 to each Organization)

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Economic development has been a priority of MIBOR REALTOR® Association for many years. Dating back to the early 1990s, MIBOR became involved with economic development efforts in central Indiana because of the valuable connection of economic development and housing strategies.

MIBOR currently invests in eight local economic development organizations (LEDOs) around the region. By supporting the LEDOs, REALTORS® gain a seat at the table to help shape decisions on housing and the local economy.

## ORGANIZATIONS:

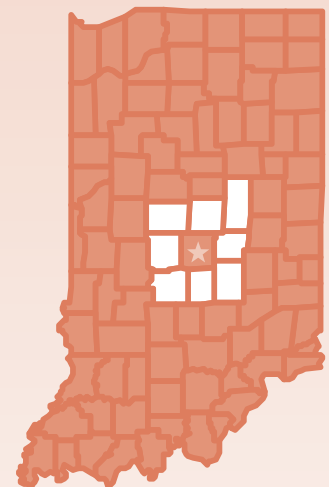
- Madison County Indiana Economic Development
- Boone County Economic Development Corporation
- Invest Hamilton County Economic Development
- Hancock County Economic Development Council
- Hendricks County Economic Development Partnership
- Morgan County Economic Development Corporation
- Shelby County Economic Development Corporation
- Aspire Johnson County Economic Development



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Hendricks County  
Economic Development  
Partnership







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Wayfinding Sign Replacement on Mass Ave



## GRANTEE

Mass Ave Cultural Arts District Inc



## INVESTMENT

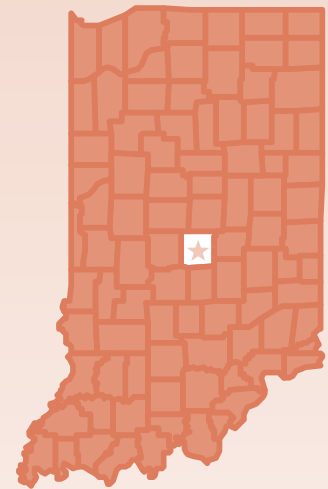
\$2,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative has enabled the refurbishment and installation of five new wayfinding signs along Mass Ave. Since the existing signs have not been updated since 2017, this enhancement will ensure that Mass Ave remains a welcoming and easily navigable destination for all visitors.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Creates Enhancements to the Streetscape
- Increases Access to Public Amenities
- Creates Walkable Communities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Completes a Comprehensive Wayfinding Program
- Increases Tourism Opportunities





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Completion of Park Entrance



## GRANTEE

**Monrovia Park and Recreation Board**



## INVESTMENT

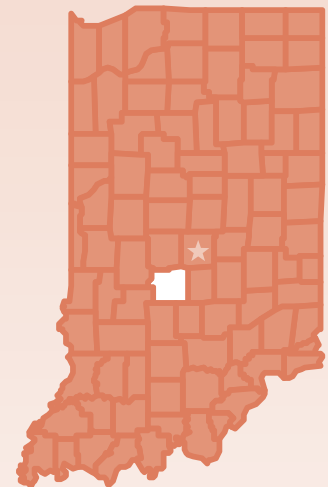
**\$3,392**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Monrovia Park and Recreation Board and the Town of Monrovia are in the early stages of developing the town's park system. In 2023 a playground and a parking lot was installed at the town's first community park. The parking lot is the only entrance to the park, and it sits between two residential homes. When the Park and Recreation Board planned the parking lot, they took into consideration how having vehicles pulling into parking spots would affect the homeowners, therefore the parking spots are set back from the road, so the cars are parking behind the houses. With funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative the parking lot entrance has been completed with trees, a fence along the edge between the lot and the homes next door and a bike rack.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Promotes GreenSpace Beautification Efforts
- Increases Access to Public Amenities
- Enhances Park Department Assets
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Safety
- Promotes Active Living
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Old Town Park Inclusion Enhancement



## GRANTEE

**Mooreville Parks & Recreation District**



## INVESTMENT

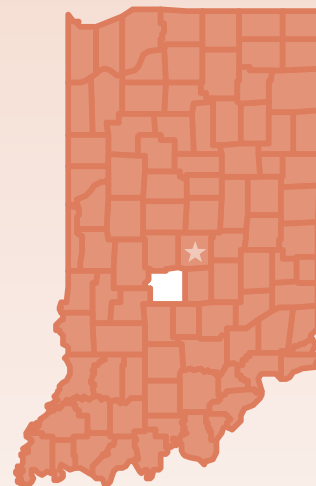
**\$2,500**

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative has enabled Mooreville to install additional inclusive playground equipment for the community. With this equipment, children will have the chance to engage in play alongside their peers and caregivers, fostering a sense of belonging and reducing social isolation. Three inclusion style swings for ages 0-12 will be installed. Inclusive playgrounds promote physical activity, which is crucial for the overall health and well-being of all children. By completing this project, Mooreville aims to create a more inclusive and accessible space where every child can experience the joy of play and friendship.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Destinations
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Increases Accessibility of Public Amenities
- Enhances Park Department Assets
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Promotes Inclusive Activation and Programming
- Promotes Active Living
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Addition of Park Assets in Morgantown



## GRANTEE

Morgantown Park Board



## INVESTMENT

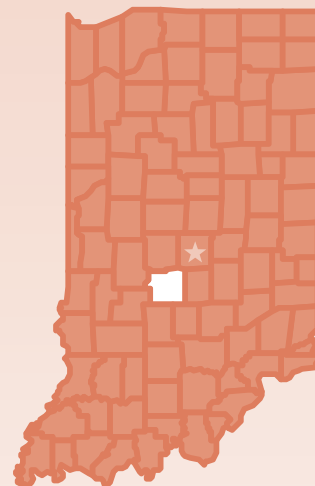
\$3,266

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Morgantown Park Board used funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative to purchase outdoor, metal bleachers for the community youth baseball diamonds.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Increases Community Engagement
- Enhances Park Department Assets
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Promotes Active Living
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Morgantown Town Park Walking Path



## GRANTEE

Morgantown Park Board



## INVESTMENT

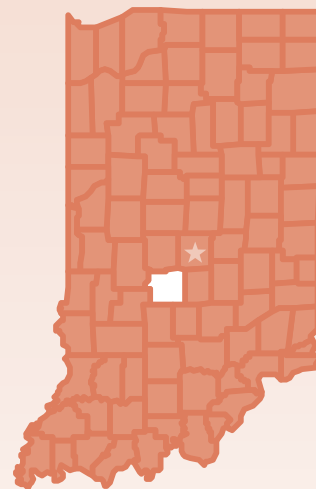
\$5,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Morgantown Park Board has installed a paved walking path at the Morgantown Town Park with the support of the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative. The paved path is a safe, attractive community asset that is ADA compliant.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates GreenSpace Improvements
- Increases Accessibility to Public Amenities
- Enhances Park Department Assets
- Enhances Small Town Quality of Place
- Creates Walkable Communities
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Safety
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Active Living
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE



## PROJECT

# Near North Development Corp. General Operating Support



## GRANTEE

Near North Development Corp.



## INVESTMENT

\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Near North Development Corporation (NNDC) has a long-proven track record that includes fostering grassroots community impact through commercial development, monitoring zoning ordinances, beautification projects, and is perhaps best-known for affordable housing development serving low-moderate income individuals and families. Over the last 10 years, NNDC has delivered over 100 affordable single-family homes in neighborhoods like Meridian Highland, Highland Vicinity, and Crown Hill. NNDC feels that it has unlimited and untapped potential in the future delivery and coordination of quality-of-life services on the Near Northside. In 2024, a new line of services around housing and community development related to a once in a lifetime opportunity to play a significant role in the emerging "Indy Health District" is available to NNDC. This year, NNDC will work alongside its partners to deliver projects and services for the Near Northside under three main priorities:

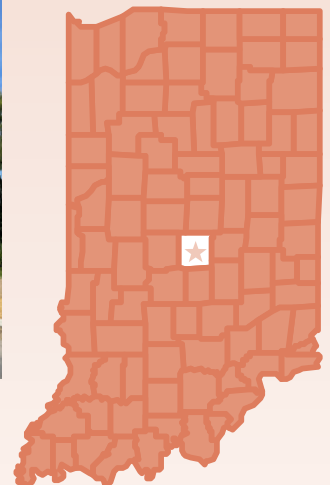
- Stable housing for underserved and vulnerable populations;
- Positive commercial development in the North Meridian Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District; and
- Transformative preservation through "Equity in Development"

These priorities will guide NNDC's activities and services, including:

- Predevelopment and development of over 150 units of safe and affordable housing,
- Initiating neighborhood-based comprehensive housing counseling (post-purchase, rental, and foreclosure prevention) to keep individuals and families in their existing homes,
- Providing a lead role as the convening agency of the North Meridian TIF Advisory Committee, and
- Predevelopment and development of over 150 units of safe and affordable housing,
- Initiating neighborhood-based comprehensive housing counseling (post-purchase, rental, and foreclosure prevention) to keep individuals and families in their existing homes,
- Providing a lead role as the convening agency of the North Meridian TIF Advisory Committee, and
- Creating innovative job training opportunities that will connect our current residents to the higher living wages coming into our community, particularly in the Indy Health

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Promotes Walkable Neighborhoods
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Strengthens and Directs Development Towards Existing Communities
- Encourages Community and Stakeholder Collaboration in Development Decisions
- Encourages Approaches that are Community-Driven, Comprehensive, and Collaborative
- Brings Diverse Community Groups Together in Order to Assess Needs and Set Priorities
- Promotes Land Use Planning that Encourages Fiscal, Environmental, and Cultural Sustainability
- Creates a Range of Housing Options
- Creates and Promotes Attainable Housing
- Influences Public Policy
- Increases Connectivity
- Encourages Complete, Livable Streets
- Encourages Collaboration Among Organizations, Agencies and Local Government
- Encourages Business Attraction and Retention
- Promotes safe, reliable and accessible transportation



The funds from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative directly supported the activities and services described above.





## COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE



### PROJECT

## Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad Interpretive Depot Exhibits



### GRANTEE

Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad



### INVESTMENT

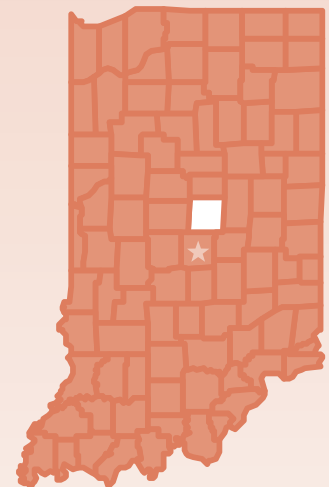
\$4,000

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad offers Nickel Plate Express railroad excursions and the Nickel Plate Railbikes experience. It also features two historic depots, one in Noblesville, Indiana and one in Arcadia, Indiana. Most of the 25,000 Nickel Plate Express passengers annually board from Hobbs Station, a beautifully restored small freight depot that serves as a welcome center with an adjacent restroom facility located in Forest Park just north of downtown Noblesville. There currently is little information on display at Hobbs Depot about the railroad, its contribution to central Indiana's growth and its cultural impact. The Arcadia Depot, located about 8 miles north, does feature professionally researched and designed exhibits that explore more about the railroad and gas boom era that drove industrial growth during the late 1800s and early 1900s. Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported the fabrication and installation of visually exciting outdoor interpretive exhibits on both the railroad platform and outside the depot gates so everyone from the casual visitor to the park to the ticket holder for a rail or rail bike excursion can better understand how the railroad shaped these communities and enrich their understanding of this important historic asset.

### IMPACT METRICS:

- Creates Historic Preservation Opportunities
- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates Active, Vital Destinations
- Increases Programming
- Creates Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Creates a Comprehensive Signage Program
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences
- Provides Additional Amenities and Events to Attract New Visitors





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Pendleton Placemaking Mural Project



## GRANTEE

Pendleton Artists Society



## INVESTMENT

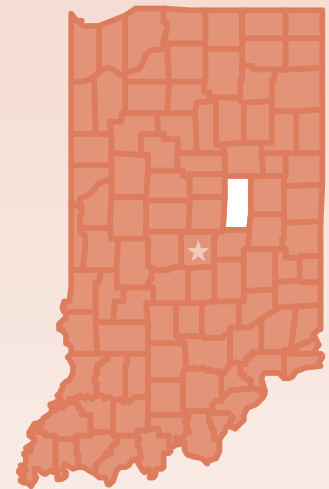
\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Pendleton Artists Society (PAS) in collaboration with Gallery 119 and the Town of Pendleton's Placemaking Committee with funding support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative have installed five captivating murals on the outdoor wall of Gallery 119. Each mural serves as a beacon of creativity and community, enriching the visual landscape of downtown Pendleton. These murals span the expansive outdoor wall and are mounted onto frames, ensuring their prominence and durability. Strategically spaced at even intervals, they form a cohesive artistic narrative, inviting viewers on a journey of discovery and inspiration. The dimensions of each frame, measuring 8 feet by 10 feet, provide ample space for artists to express their vision with boldness and intricacy. This canvas size offers a perfect balance, allowing for detailed storytelling while ensuring visibility from various vantage points, drawing in passersby with their sheer magnitude and allure. This collaborative initiative between PAS/Gallery 119 and the Town of Pendleton's Placemaking Committee is more than just a beautification project; it's a deliberate effort to transform the environment into a dynamic and engaging space. By adorning the stretch of wall between Gallery 119 and Tyler Insurance Agency with vibrant and thought-provoking artworks, the organization has helped to forge connections, spark conversations, and cultivate a sense of belonging among residents and visitors. Through this infusion of art into the heart of Pendleton, they have created an inviting atmosphere that fosters community interaction and celebrates the rich tapestry of creativity that defines the Town of Pendleton. These murals serve as focal points for gatherings, photo opportunities, and moments of reflection, enhancing Pendleton's identity as a hub of artistic expression and cultural vibrancy.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Creates Enhancements to the Streetscape
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Enhances Downtown Quality of Place
- Creates Walkable Neighborhoods
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE



## PROJECT

# Shelby County Economic Development Website Update



## GRANTEE

Shelby County EDC



## INVESTMENT

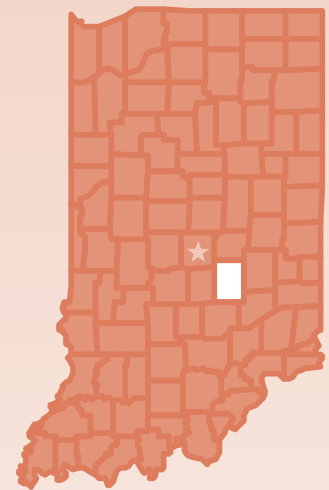
\$2,500

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Shelby County Economic Development Corporation was able to update, refresh, and redesign their website to ensure it is well-presented and provides important up-to-date, relevant information with the support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Promotes Business Attraction and Retention
- Promotes Talent Attraction
- Supports Business Growth
- Supports the Attraction and Retention of Young Professionals







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Music in the Park 2025



## GRANTEE

Shelbyville Parks and Recreation



## INVESTMENT

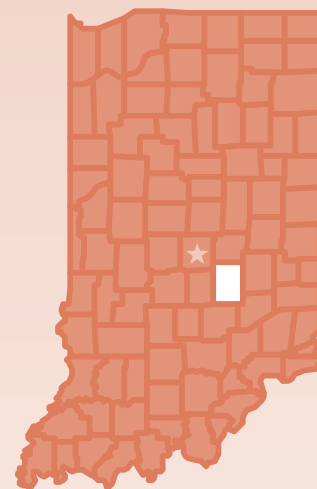
\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Shelbyville Parks and Recreation department will host a free summer concert series during the summer of 2025 with funding from the MIBOR community impact initiative.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Community Engagement
- Increases Access to Public Arts





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Indy Urban Acres General Support



## GRANTEE

The Parks Alliance of Indianapolis



## INVESTMENT

\$5,000

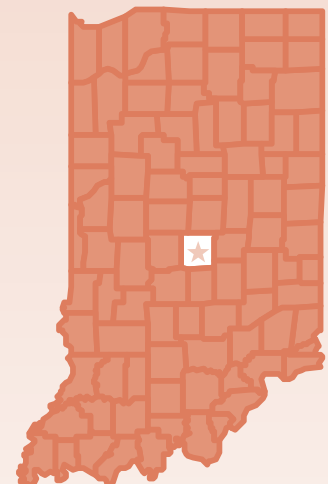
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative supported Indy Urban Acres, an urban farm located on Indianapolis's east side, which plays a vital role in workforce development and building confidence among individuals facing food insecurity. By harvesting and distributing nearly 45,000 pounds of fresh produce at no cost to their partners, who then distribute it to families in need, Indy Urban Acres addresses immediate nutritional needs while also contributing to long-term community empowerment and development.



## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Creates Active, Vital Destinations
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Fosters Community Engagement
- Increases Programming Initiatives
- Increases Workforce Development Opportunities
- Encourages Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Improves Food Access
- Promotes Active Living
- Improves Standards of Health and Living
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences
- Provides Events to Attract New Visitors
- Improves Access to Environmental Benefits





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Beautify New Ross



## GRANTEE

Town of New Ross



## INVESTMENT

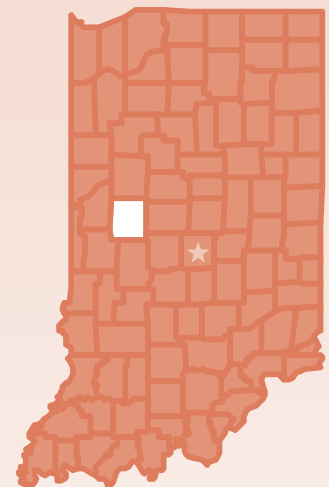
\$5,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Town of New Ross will be celebrating their 150th Anniversary in July of 2025. With support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative the town was able to paint two murals celebrating the town's history for the upcoming celebration.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Creates Enhancements to the Streetscape
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Enhances Downtown Quality of Place
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors







# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Pop-Up Igloos in the Park



## GRANTEE

Town of Zionsville



## INVESTMENT

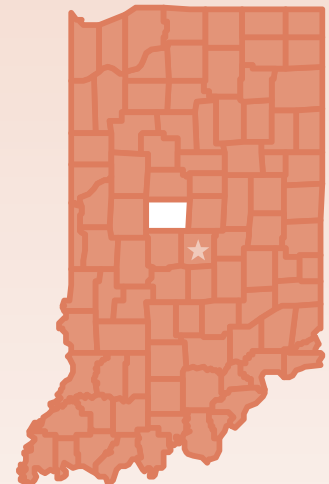
\$5,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Town of Zionsville purchased igloos to extend park programming and offerings throughout Zionsville during the winter months with support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative. MIBORs (also known as Mobile Indoor Barriers for Outdoor Recreation) will be used all year long as inviting spaces to gather and create.

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Increases Community Engagement Opportunities
- Increases Year – Round Recreational Opportunities (Winter Activation)
- Increases Park Department Assets
- Increases Opportunities for Parks Programming
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Promotes Unique Visitor Experiences
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Young Professional Leadership Summit



## GRANTEE

Westfield Chamber of Commerce



## INVESTMENT

\$1,500

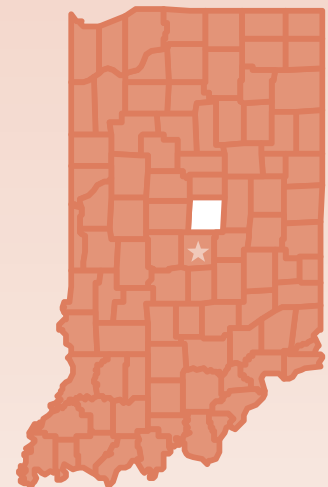
## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

With support from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative, Westfield Chamber was able to hold a one-of-a-kind leadership summit for Young Professionals across Hamilton County. The summit allowed attendees to sharpen their leadership skills, network, and grow personally and professionally. Breakout session for the summit included:

- 6 Steps to a Successful Business; Presenter Chris Beavers
- Philanthropy Involvement; Presenter Jenna Seila (Sponsored by Westfield Welcome)
- Professional Branding; Presenter Adenike Makinde
- Retirement Planning; Presenter Jason Van Skike
- Uncommon Leadership for the New Reality; Presenter/Author Ed Chaffin
- To Buy or Not to Buy a Home; Presenters Janelle Campbell & Thea Snelly (Sponsored by the Zulu Group and Keller Williams Realty)

## IMPACT METRICS:

- Creates Opportunities for Workforce Development
- Increases Community Engagement
- Promotes Volunteerism
- Provides Opportunities for Talent Attraction, Retention and Development
- Connects Talent





# COMMUNITY IMPACT INITIATIVE

2024 GRANTEE

## PROJECT

# Barnes Building Mural



## GRANTEE

Zionsville Cultural District



## INVESTMENT

\$3,000

## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The Zionsville Cultural District secured funding from the MIBOR Community Impact Initiative to design and produce a mural on a public-facing wall on South Main Street downtown. The project is an engaging and highly visible public art addition to the community that will help create a sense of place for residents and visitors, enhance public space, and establish a new arts-related amenity where none currently exists.



## IMPACT METRICS:

- Improves Quality of Life
- Improves Community Livability
- Creates Active, Vital Downtown Destinations
- Creates Enhancements to the Streetscape
- Promotes Cultural Opportunities
- Increases Access to Public Arts
- Enhances Downtown Quality of Place
- Creates Walkable Neighborhoods
- Fosters Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Increases Tourism Opportunities
- Provides Additional Amenities to Attract New Visitors

