



Indianapolis Parks Foundation Fact Sheet

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Our Mission

Enhance the recreational, educational and cultural life of the Indianapolis community by encouraging and soliciting support for our city's parks system.

Our Vision
Parks in Marion County will be quality spaces for all citizens to enjoy, thanks to the financial generosity of its people.



Who We Are

- IPF is governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees. Those who serve on the Board of Trustees give unselfishly of their time, talent and financial resources. Making an annual financial contribution is only part of their obligation. Serving on committees and recruiting others as volunteers, board members and donors has become routine. Providing professional assistance in the areas of legal, engineering, development, construction and financial planning is often offered to the organization as in-kind contributions.
- Staff includes an executive director, development director, outreach coordinator and administrative assistant.
- Volunteers from a variety of backgrounds and expertise provide additional support.

What We Support

- We secure private funding to support our parks system.
- We help Indy Parks and Recreation build a world-class parks system by providing funding for land acquisition, park programs, capital improvements and maintenance.
- Our staff, board and volunteers advocate for quality parks and greenspace in Marion County.



Summer Day Camp. This program is one of several park programs funded by grants IPF receives.

Relationship with Indy Parks and Recreation

Indy Parks is a government agency funded by tax dollars. The Indianapolis Parks Foundation is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that exists to secure additional funding from the private sector (individuals, corporations and foundations) for Indy Parks projects and programs. IPF seeks funding for projects identified by Indy Parks as those with greatest need.

2009-2011 Focus Areas

- Greenways - Neighborhood Connectivity
- Outdoor Play Structures
- Program support, placing high priority on Family and School Programs

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Notable Highlights

- 1991 - IPF was founded
- 2000 - IPF became a CICF partner organization
- 2002 - Largest land acquisition project, Southwestway Park North Expansion Project, 101 acres, \$363,349
- 2004 - Largest single gift, \$1.1 million, designated for land acquisition, from AES Corporation
- 2006 - \$100,000 secured from The Indianapolis Foundation to begin Windsor Village Park renovation
- 2007 - Broke ground at Windsor Village Park to begin construction of \$2.5 million family center
- 2008 - New Juan Solomon bridge is 2nd longest fiberglass bridge in the nation

Funding

- IPF relies upon private donations from individuals, corporations and foundations to support park projects and programs.

- Since its inception, IPF supporters have contributed more than \$11 million toward park projects and programs through donations to IPF.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Board leadership
- Committee Work
- IPF Signature event *IPL Mayor's Lunch for Parks*

Value of Parks

Parks, woods and riverbeds engage thousands to explore, discover and experience Marion County through our vibrant parks system. Additionally, park properties:

- enhance quality of life
- attract tourists
- increase property values
- encourage economic development
- clean our air and water

- provide natural habitat for wildlife
- promote healthy lifestyles
- support crime prevention
- expand land preservation
- create social network
- foster sense of community

Why Support IPF?

Indy Parks, a tax-funded city organization, cannot build and maintain a world-class parks system on its own. Private support is essential. Every dollar counts. Together, we will enrich the lives of our youth, strengthen our families, build our communities and empower our city. Together, we are building parks for life.

How to Support IPF

- IPF offers a menu of giving options to suit your charitable giving preferences, including:
- Online giving at indyarksfoundation.org
 - Cash gifts to the unrestricted fund, leadership society, endowment fund, land trust fund, individual parks and programs
 - Bequest
 - Charitable gift annuities
 - Land donation
 - Stock contributions
 - In-kind donations
- Contact Cindy Porteous at 317-860-3251 or CindyP@cicf.org with questions.

About Indy Parks and Recreation

Indy Parks Coverage

- 206 park properties
- 11,140 acres of green space
- Over 61 miles of trails, greenways and waterways

Indy Parks Facilities

- 23 aquatic facilities
- 25 Family Centers
- 126 Playgrounds
- 3 Nature Centers
- 13 Golf Courses
- 4 Disc Golf Courses
- 3 Dog Parks
- 121 Tennis Courts
- 2 Ice Rinks
- 1 Arts Center
- 76 Cultural and Historic Sites
- 1 BMX Complex
- 1 Mountain Bike Trail
- 93 Basketball/Multi-use Courts
- 1 Conservatory