

■ TODAY'S VERSE

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

HONEST HOOSIER



Less than three weeks to Memorial Day. Wouldn't it be great to see a whole lot of folks show the respect to our fallen heroes!

■ HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

A used bicycle sale and donation day will be held Saturday, May 16, from 10 a.m. to noon, sponsored by Good Samaritan Network of Hamilton County. It will take place at Recycled Cycles repair shop at 810 E. Main St. in Westfield. The shop is located at the top of the drive, north of Big Hoffa's BBQ. Around 40 top-condition bikes and high-end 700c wheels and other parts (Campy, Shimano, Sram) will be offered for sale at bargain prices. All bikes have been repaired, adjusted, lubricated and inspected for safe use. Payment by check is preferred (sorry no Venmo, Paypal, credit card, etc. available). Proceeds will be used to purchase parts to repair other bikes. Last year, Recycled Cycles repaired and gave nearly 400 bicycles to deserving families who might not otherwise have afforded new bikes, mostly for Christmas.

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If today were the last day of my life, would I want to do what I am about to do today?"

Steve Jobs

■ JOKE OF THE DAY

A man sees his doctor and complains that he has a carrot in his ear and a cube of cheese up his nose. "Well, I'm not surprised," the doctor says. "You are not eat-

■ ADOPT A PET TOAST



Toast has a face you just can't say no to! This 1-year-old, male Labrador Retriever mix has been available for adoption at the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) since 3/16/26. This playful guy is bursting with energy, and he loves getting pets, sniffing around, and of course, playing with his toys. To meet Toast, please fill out an adoption application at hamiltonhumane.com/adopt to set up a meet and greet.

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## County to Break Ground on Judicial Expansion

Project Will Add 100,000 Square Feet and Seven New Courtrooms

Hamilton County officials will break ground on Monday, May 11 at 9 a.m. on a long-anticipated expansion of the Hamilton County Judicial Center in downtown Noblesville. The project will add more than 100,000 square feet to the existing facility, including seven new courtrooms, upgraded security, and expanded public space.

The three-story addition will consolidate multiple county offices and provide room for future growth. The first floor will eventually house county offices, while the second floor will serve as the new home for the additional courtrooms.



President of the Hamilton County Commissioners  
Christine Altman

The third floor will remain unfinished for later build-out as caseloads continue to rise.



Superior Court 2 Judge  
Jon Brown

"This expansion is really about keeping up with the people we serve," says  
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## Paula Shares A Ferry Tale



Paula  
Dunn

From Time to Thyme

The next time you drive or walk across a bridge over White River, take a moment to reflect on how fortunate we are to be able to come and go from one side of the river to the other whenever we want.

It wasn't nearly that easy for Hamilton County residents during the county's first couple of decades. Until 1846, the only way to cross the river was either by canoe, or by venturing through the shallow water of a ford.

Imagine being a farmer from the Jolietville area and having business at the county courthouse during those early years. You could travel halfway across the county, only to discover when you arrived that the river was still too high from recent rains for your wagon to safely ford it.

That changed in March of 1846 when the County Commissioners granted William Carlin a license to build and maintain a ferry at Noblesville. To that end, Carlin constructed a flatboat big enough to carry a wagon and four horses.

As a young man, Augustus Finch Shirts, the author of the 1901 county history, operated the ferry for a while. He left a good description of how it worked.

A large rope was run across the river and secured tightly at each end. On this rope were a couple of pulleys. Whether the flatboat headed east or west was determined by manipulating smaller ropes attached to each pulley.

This is called a "reaction ferry" because the power of the river's current propels it across the water. (If, like me, you have trouble picturing this, there are some good videos on YouTube of a reaction ferry at Basil, Switzerland.)

As the ferry neared its destination, a pole was used to move it through the shallows. An "apron" (a wooden plank?) attached to the boat provided a passageway to dry land.

The charges for a flatboat crossing were as follows: a man and one horse, ten cents; a driver and a one-horse vehicle, fifteen cents; a wagon and two horses, twenty cents; a wagon and three horses, twenty-five cents; and a wagon and four horses, thirty-five cents. Cattle were ferried across the river at two and one-half cents a head; pigs and sheep at one cent a head.

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## Branna Shares Grief, Transition of Losing a Parent

Fancy our forefathers' fundamental formula for success: finish school, tackle a trade, secure a stable job and build a good life. They knew the need was certain for everything from sales to seamstresses, grocers to gas attendants, bankers to brokers ('get where this is going?')

Then comes the tempestuous uptick in technology and the work world we knew takes on a whole new view. High tech has hit the high road, reshaping the world in ways that would befuddle our founders.

According to the World Economic Forum's Future of Jobs Report 2025, ap-

proximately 39 to 44 percent of core worker skills are expected to become obsolete or require significant retraining within the next five years. This rapid shift is driven by artificial intelligence, automation and technological advancements, affecting nearly 59 percent of the global workforce.

Add to that sad fact, as of late 2025, the underemployment rate for recent college graduates has risen to 42.5 percent, marking its highest level since 2020 and matching rates seen during the 2008 financial crisis. This means nearly half of new graduates are



Branna  
Shores  
Can You Relate?

working jobs that do not typically require a college degree.

Unfortunately, economic mobility in the U.S. – the ability to do better than the generation before – has declined significantly. No longer does a degree have the guarantee of an iron clad career path.

Enter the business bar-

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### ■ THREE THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

**1.** The Indiana Department of Natural Resources joined Shirley Heinze Land Trust and local partners to celebrate the expansion of Lydick Bog Nature Preserve in St. Joseph County, which added 93 acres of protected land and extended the preserve's trail system. Lydick Bog, owned and managed by Shirley Heinze Land Trust, is a state-dedicated nature preserve, protecting one of the last remaining sphagnum bog habitats in Indiana. Many unique plant species have been identified here, including tamarack, large cranberry, and carnivorous species like round-leaved sundew and pitcher plants. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources purchased a conservation easement at this site totaling \$250,000 for 93 acres with funding from the Next Level Conservation Trust. DNR previously acquired a conservation easement over an adjacent 176 acres in 2019. These conservation easements permanently protect the land for conservation.

**2.** A new study reveals that Indiana is the ninth most dangerous state to work in. The study, conducted by Dennis Hernandez Injury Attorneys, analyzed fatal and non-fatal workplace injury rates across 42 US states where both data points were available for 2024, to identify where workplaces are most dangerous. A final index of 100 represents the national average, which are 3.3 per 100,000 FTE workers for the fatal injury rate, and 2.3 per 100 full time workers for the non-fatal injury rate; higher scores indicate more dangerous workplaces, and lower scores indicate safer ones. Indiana ranks ninth with a final index score of 121.7. The state reports a fatal injury rate of 4.3 per 100,000 FTE workers, corresponding to an index of 130.3. Its non-fatal injury rate is 2.5 per 100 full-time workers, with an index of 108.7, meaning both metrics sit above the national average, contributing to Indiana's overall ranking. In Indiana, agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting has the highest fatal injury rate at 42.3 per 100,000 FTE workers. This is followed by transportation and utilities at 11.1, and other services (excluding public administration) at 10.0 per 100,000 workers.

**3.** The Children's Organ Transplant Association was founded in April 1986 when an Indiana family could not afford the liver transplant their toddler son needed to survive. Their family members and friends canvassed neighborhoods and county fairs to collect cash and coins to help. That first group of volunteers formed the foundation of what would grow to become COTA. Twenty years later in May 2006, a family in Indianapolis heard the same devastating news -- their two-month old daughter needed a liver transplant to survive. Lauren turns 20 a few weeks from now. Suzanne said, "COTA's lifetime of support commitment gives us peace of mind. COTA has let us breathe easier for two decades and will continue to do so for many years to come. As a transplant parent who works in healthcare, I understand insurance age limits and we know Lauren will need to purchase her own insurance in a few years when she turns 26. Both Jim and I would lose a lot more sleep if we did not have COTA on this journey with us."

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## Governor Reaches Into County for Talent

Governor Mike Braun reached into Hamilton County this week to make three appointments.

State Armory Board  
· James Zieba  
Appointment: Term expires 4/30/28  
Hamilton County

Utility Regulatory Commission Nominat-

ing Committee  
· Suzanne Jaworowski (State of Indiana)  
Reappointment: Term expires 5/31/30  
Hamilton County

Indiana Pesticide Review Board  
· Hilary Alderete (State of Indiana)  
Appointment: Term expires 4/30/30  
Hamilton County

## NPD Seeking Assistance

The Noblesville Police Department is conducting an ongoing investigation centered around allegations of suspicious billing. We are seeking assistance from local and statewide homeowners' associations that have done business with Ardsley Management and Resource Management since 2020.

If you are a board member of a homeowners' association that has contracted with either of these companies, please reach out to NPD's Criminal Investigation Division at tips@noblesville.in.gov or call (317) 770-5922.

Your assistance is appreciated.

### PAULA

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People on foot were taken across by canoe for five cents. Public messengers rode for free!

The one catch was, the water had to be high enough for the current to move the boat.

That criteria was certainly met during and shortly after the flood that took place in late December, 1846, and early January, 1847.

In his county history, Shirts referred to that as "the most destructive flood since the year 1828." He wrote of watching a chicken and a hog float by on corn shocks. The hog was calmly eating corn as if he was in his own barn lot!

One day that January, the river was still very high when a couple and their two children approached the ferry in a wagon drawn by two horses. Shirts loaded them up and set off.

Their passage went according to plan until they reached the middle of the river. At that

point, the boat was struck hard by something, possibly a log, and one of the smaller ropes broke.

With all its weight on only one rope, the ferry swung around, horrifying both the passengers and a crowd of onlookers on the shore.

Fortunately, they were past the deepest water by then. Thanks to "the puny arm of the writer," and an extra long pole he'd brought along, they made it to the opposite bank amid cheers from the spectators.

The one thing Shirts omitted was the ferry's location, but I'd guess it was somewhere south of Conner Street since the river bank is lower there.

The ferry was available until the Logan Street bridge was constructed in the late 1850s.

Paula Dunn's *From Time to Thyme* column appears on Wednesdays in *The Times*. Contact her at [younggardenerfriend@gmail.com](mailto:younggardenerfriend@gmail.com)

# Supporters Step Up 35,000 Ways for Ivy Tech in County

More than 130 gifts from alumni, friends, and partners across Indiana contributed \$35,100 to the Hamilton County campus on the fourth annual Ivy Tech Day.

Across the Ivy Tech system, more than 3,100 alumni, friends, and partners contributed \$614,421 on the fourth annual Ivy Tech Day on April 21. The 24-hour celebration of Ivy Tech's contributions to Hoosier communities supports student success initiatives at the College's 19 Indiana campuses.

The statewide day of giving brings the four-year Ivy Tech Day total to more than \$1.7 million. This year's total broke the record for giving since the start of Ivy Tech Day in 2023, bringing the four-year total to more than \$1.7 million. Ivy Tech Day contributions fund the greatest needs at each campus and power workforce development supporting Indiana's economy.

In recognition of the College's impact, the Hamilton County Commissioners, along with the mayors of Noblesville and Westfield, officially proclaimed April 21 as Ivy Tech Day, underscoring the institution's vital role in the community.

"We are so proud to break our one-day giving record, and so grateful to our alumni, partners, and friends for once again generously supporting our students in meaningful ways that will benefit our state," said Dr. Marty Pollio, President of Ivy Tech Community College. "Their generosity will empower our students to reach goals that will support our communi-



Photo courtesy Ivy Tech Community College, Hamilton County Campus  
From left, Hamilton County Commissioner President Christine Altman, Chancellor Rachel Kartz, County Commissioners Steve Dillinger and Mark Heirbrandt.

ties." At the Hamilton County campus, that impact is both immediate and long-lasting. In fiscal year 2024-25, Ivy Tech Hamilton County generated \$21.2 million in total economic impact and supported 270 jobs across the county. The campus serves more than 3,000 students annually, preparing local residents for in-demand careers while strengthening the regional workforce.

Beyond annual economic activity, Ivy Tech Hamilton County delivers significant long-term value. The College generates \$298.6 million in total benefits to society across Indiana, reflecting increased lifetime earnings for graduates, stronger business productivity, and reduced demand on public services. Graduates see meaningful economic mobility, earning an average of \$12,900 more annually than individuals with only a high school diploma.

"Ivy Tech Hamilton County is proud to be a driver of opportunity and economic growth in our community," said Dr. Rachel Kartz, Chancellor, Ivy Tech Hamilton County. "Every gift made on

Ivy Tech Day directly supports our students by helping them complete their education, enter the workforce, and contribute to the vitality of Hamilton County. The impact of this generosity will be felt for years to come."

Ivy Tech campuses across Indiana hosted events to celebrate successes; students, staff, and faculty shared their stories about how Ivy Tech has impacted them; and community partners joined in with challenges, donated items, and matching funds.

At the Hamilton County campus, the celebration took the form of an open house-style event designed to engage the community and showcase campus culture. Attendees enjoyed a variety of interactive activities, including a hot dog and toppings bar, a bracelet bar, karaoke, games in the gym provided by SERVE Village, and a pie-in-the-face challenge area. The event created a welcoming, high-energy environment that brought together students, employees, and supporters in a shared celebration of impact.

In addition, OneAmerica Financial sup-

ported the effort with a matching gift challenge of up to \$5,000, further amplifying the generosity of donors. Pickleman's in Noblesville also partnered with the campus on a three-day fundraising promotion, helping drive participation and community engagement.

The College's impact in Indiana is clear:

More than 4 in 5 graduates stay in Indiana to live and work

Ivy Tech contributes \$4.8 billion annually to the state's economy

4 in 5 graduates leave Ivy Tech without student loan debt

Nearly 100,000 high school students take dual credit courses, giving them a jump start on their college work

Ivy Tech has more than 14,000 apprenticeships, the largest program in the country.

Ivy Tech offers diverse opportunities for more than 210,000 students that are directly tied to Indiana's dynamic economy including pharmaceutical manufacturing, early childhood education, cybersecurity, and a leading two-year nursing program that awards more associate degrees than any other institution in the U.S.

## EXPANSION

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terior Court 2 Judge Jon Brown. "Hamilton County's population has exploded, and our court dockets have grown right along with it. We're seeing routine hearings being delayed for months. This new space will help us move cases more efficiently and give our judges, staff, and citizens the resources they deserve."

Built in 1992, the current Judicial Center has been remodeled several times to accommodate new staff and departments, but post-pandemic case filings have pushed the courts well beyond their intended capacity. Once completed, the expansion will also support newly elected judges who take office in 2027.

Christine Altman, President of the Hamilton County Commissioners, said the County is working closely with the City of Noblesville to manage the impact of multiple projects taking



place downtown over the next two years.

"Our goal is to make progress without getting in the way," Altman says. "We're coordinating closely with the city to align schedules, stage construction trailers and equipment offsite, and keep as much parking and pedestrian access open as

possible. We want to minimize disruption for businesses and residents."

The groundbreaking will take place on the west lawn of the Judicial Center and will include remarks from county officials, judges, and project partners. Completion is expected in late 2027.

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active role in being involved in local government.

Executive Session  
Board Retreat  
Friday, May 8, 2026 - 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, May 9, 2026 - 9:00am - 12:00 pm  
Location - The Brad-

ley Hotel, 204 West Main Street, Ft. Wayne, IN

A G E N D A  
The Board of Trustees will convene in executive session for the following purposes, as permitted by Indiana law:  
• Strategic discussions permitted under

IC § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2);  
• Discussions of competitive marketing strategies permitted under IC § 16-22-3-28(C)(3); and  
• Engagement in strategic planning under IC § 16-22-3-28(C)(4).  
No final action will be taken during the executive session.



Photo courtesy Andy Chandler

## Billie Creek Civil War Days

Visitors to Parke County Indiana were invited to be transported back in time to the 1860s during the annual Civil War Days at Billie Creek Village. One of the largest Civil War re-enactments in the state, participants were on hand to show visitors firearms, cooking and crafts from the time period. Saturday's events were punctuated with an evening dance where participants were taught the Virginia Reel. The night ended with two cannon batteries exchanging volleys in the night sky. For more information on next year's Civil War Days, go to their website at [www.billiecreek.com](http://www.billiecreek.com)

## BRANNA

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ons of BizTown, an experiential enterprise for elementary students, that poses that the path forward isn't broken; it's evolving – and education must evolve with it.

Just a few weeks ago, I had the honor and opportunity to serve as a volunteer chaperone for my granddaughter's fifth grade class at Noblesville's North Elementary. I had heard of this empiric experience geared toward students in grades 4 through 6. Junior Achievement BizTown combines in-class learning with a day-long visit to a simulated town, this one located on Keystone Avenue in Indianapolis. This veritable venue allows elementary school students to operate banks, manage restaurants, write checks and vote for mayor. My Averie touted the title of CEO of Peyton-Manning Hospital, where she learned a litany of lessons on leadership in corporate America. One of her besties reigned as the mayor, sworn into duty for this day-long visit to a

simulated town. All classmates can count on a requisite role in the "Biz," including writing checks (one of Averie's foremost favorites) and even vesting their vote for mayor. Students are able to connect the dots between what they learn in school and the real world.

Following a busy day at BizTown, students returned to their classrooms to discuss the roles they played as citizens, workers and consumers in their community and relate those roles to the free enterprise system. They delved into discussions on the importance of citizen rights and responsibilities, manifested money management skills and procured a practical knowledge of economic concepts and banking practices.

JA BizTown Learning Experiences support national and state standards in reading, mathematics, social studies, plus work and career preparedness. Our elementary entrepreneurs left with a greater sense of financial literacy and a roadmap for readiness

in the real world.

JA doesn't just supplement education – it helps transform it. Their words, not mine, but I've seen it for myself. The doors it has opened for dialogue with my gregarious granddaughter are awe-inspiring.

Check out this and the many other hands-on opportunities offered by Junior Achievement at: [Indy.ja.org](http://Indy.ja.org)

This week's tip . . . take a trip to BizTown!

*Can You Relate is a column from Noblesville High School grad Branna (McCarty) Shores. Branna believes that "HOME is where your story begins." A Noblesville native and proud alum of NHS and Purdue, she is a professional speaker, advocate for mental health and work / family balance and retired social worker. Branna is the mother of two grown daughters, six precious grandchildren and wife of one brave husband! Her passions include singing, writing and sharing the lighter side of life through lessons learned, both personally and professionally. She can be contacted at [branna18@gmail.com](mailto:branna18@gmail.com)*

## Enjoy Night for the Blues With County Dems



Photo courtesy Hamilton County Democrats

It all takes place beginning at 6:30 p.m. at The Wellington in Fishers on Saturday, May 16.

The Hamilton County Democratic Party is excited to announce its annual "Night for the Blues" fundraiser, set to take place on Saturday, May 16. This highly anticipated event will bring together passionate supporters, community leaders, and advocates as the organization prepares for a pivotal 2026 election cycle.

Guests are invited to enjoy an engaging evening of connection and community beginning at 6:30 p.m. at The Wellington in Fishers, Indiana.

Event Details: Date: Saturday, May 16  
Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: The Wellington, Fishers, IN Address:

9775 North by North-east Blvd, Fishers, IN 46037

Each ticket includes dinner, dessert, and one drink ticket for attendees age 21 and over.

Organizers encourage early ticket purchases, as the event is expected to sell out. Tickets & Information: Tickets are available for purchase online at: <https://www.hamcodemsin.org/events/n4tb>

In addition to individual tickets, sponsorship opportunities are available for those looking to make a greater impact. Sponsors will gain valuable visibility while helping support candidates

who share a forward-looking vision for the future of Hamilton County. For more information about sponsorship packages, interested parties are encouraged to contact [ed@hamcodemsin.org](mailto:ed@hamcodemsin.org).

For those who prefer to contribute by mail, checks can be made payable to:

Hamilton County Democratic Party PO Box 3452 Carmel, IN 46082

Proceeds from "Night for the Blues" will support ongoing efforts to engage voters, strengthen community outreach, and prepare for the upcoming election cycle.

## Sen. Buck Shares Update

Promoting Hoosier Values

As your state senator, I have voted for common-sense legislation that promotes Hoosier values, and that includes protecting our land from our nation's adversaries.

This year, I supported a new law that strengthens Indiana's ban on businesses from foreign adversary nations, like China and Iran, from owning any land in Indiana.

Senate Enrolled Act 256 builds on a 2024 law I supported that prevented individuals and businesses from adversarial nations from purchasing farmland.

SEA 256 also requires agents of a foreign adversary nation to register with the Attorney General's office and prohibits businesses from these countries from entering into sensitive technology contracts with state or local governments.

This year I also supported common-sense legislation that:

- Cuts taxes for Hoosiers;
- Prevents fraud and protects taxpayers;
- Keeps our communities safe; and
- Improves government efficiency.

I encourage you to contact me with any questions or com-



District 21 Update  
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Baldwin, third from left, sponsored bill to ban virtual currency kiosks from operating in Indiana.

## Baldwin Legislation Signed by Braun

Two bills sponsored by State Sen. Scott Baldwin (R-Noblesville) to ban virtual currency kiosks and establish transparency requirements for proxy advisors who issue voting recommendations to shareholders and companies were ceremonially signed into law by the governor yesterday.

House Enrolled Act 1116 bans cryptocurrency kiosks from operating in Indiana and allows the Attorney General to pursue action against violators by making it a deceptive act to operate one of those kiosks in the state. This new law will not hamstring Hoosiers from investing in cryptocurrency, rather this law will ensure these investments are made through regulated exchanges.

"Cryptocurrency kiosks have been used to scam Hoosiers out of their hard-earned money, and House Enrolled Act 1116 offers a way to protect our neighbors from cryptocurrency

scams," Baldwin said. "I am glad to see HEA 1116 become law, and I appreciate the governor for recognizing the importance of this legislation."

House Enrolled Act 1273 defines proxy advisors as people who give advice to investors to help them decide how to cast their votes on corporate governance issues for compensation and requires these advisors to disclose to investors whether recommendations against company management proposals are supported by a written financial analysis.

When a written financial analysis is used by a proxy advisor, they must disclose that their analysis covered short- and long-term costs and benefits, concluded their recommended action has the most positive effect on the shareholder and explained their processes and qualifications.

If a written financial analysis isn't used, the advisor must

share the services they are providing, their recommendation and provide that their suggestion was made without a written financial analysis to shareholders and entity management. They are also required to publish that their recommendation was made without a financial analysis on their website.

"Shareholders make critical decisions that shape the future of a business, and this new law will ensure proxy advisors prioritize their fiduciary duty by providing clear justifications for their recommendations," Baldwin said. "I am proud to have sponsored Rep. Kyle Pierce's legislation in the Senate, and I look forward to seeing how this legislation improves the quality of proxy advisors in the state."

*Baldwin represents Senate District 20, which includes Noblesville, Carmel, Cicero and unincorporated areas of Hamilton County.*

## Spartz FISA Language Passes House



Photo courtesy Rep. Spartz's office

Spartz said the new audit will, for the first time, help Congress better oversee how agencies target and collect information.

This week, the House passed a reauthorization of Sec. 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, including language worked on by Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-IN 05) to audit 702 collections and targeting by the NSA and FBI for the first time.

"Protecting constitutional rights of Americans, including Fourth Amendment rights, is

a primary responsibility of Congress," Spartz said. "We know that in previous years, agencies were improperly collecting information on Americans using 'about' targeting, but no true audits were ever performed of Section 702 targeting. This new audit will, for the first time, help Congress better oversee how agencies target and collect."

Section 702 of FISA

was enacted in 2008 in response to 9/11 and allows the targeting and collection of data on non-U.S. persons located outside the United States without a warrant. Many widespread violations have been identified by the FISA Court, and significant controversy remains over the potential collection of large amounts of data on U.S. persons through this authority.

## Library Kicks Off Summer Reading with Celebrations

The Hamilton East Public Library is inviting the community to celebrate the start of summer with two free, all-ages kickoff events for its annual Summer Reading Program, themed Unearth a Story.

Families can enjoy outdoor parties packed with activities, including a dinosaur show, music, food trucks, yard games, and hands-on fun for all ages. Each event will also feature a foam party, which requires separate registration.

· Saturday, May 30 | 1 to 4 p.m. | Fishers Library

· Saturday, June 6 | 2 to 5 p.m. | Noblesville Library

The celebrations mark the launch of HEPL's Summer Reading Program, which runs June 1 through July 31 and is open to all ages. Participants can track their reading and complete simple activities to earn points

and prizes throughout the summer. Kids and teens who finish the program will receive a free book, and readers of all ages can earn additional rewards and entries into grand prize drawings.

"We are excited to bring back our annual Summer Reading program for 2026," said Allison Kartman, Systemwide Program Coordinator. "Reading during the summer is one of the best ways to keep kids engaged and prepare them for the next school year. Our program is open to all ages with opportunities to win great prizes all summer long. Our librarians have also planned fantastic programs to keep the whole family entertained all summer long!"

Register Early for a Chance to Win

Community members who register before June 1 will be entered into special early bird prize draw-

ings, including:

- A "Friends & Family 4-Pack" to Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites, valid for admission for four people

- A \$100 gift certificate to The Children's Museum of Indianapolis

If the community reaches 2,500 registrations before June 1, HEPL will unlock an additional bonus drawing for a mystery gift basket.

Beyond reading, HEPL will offer a full lineup of programs and activities throughout the summer designed to keep the community learning, exploring, and having fun together. Community members are encouraged to attend a kickoff celebration, sign up for the program, and make reading part of their summer routine.

For more information or to register, please visit [hamilton-eastpl.org](http://hamilton-eastpl.org).

## Stamp Out Hunger Saturday

Saturday, May 9th marks the 34th anniversary of the largest one-day food drive in the nation – the National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive. Letter carriers are in the communities they serve every day and often come face to face with a sad reality for far too many, hunger.

"Many of the surrounding areas, including places in Indianapolis, are in food deserts. It is our goal to collect food from our customers to provide to local food pantries so they can help those in need," said Kieaunta Roberson, vice president of NALC Branch 39.

Each year on the second Saturday in May, letter carriers across the country collect non-perishable food donations from our customers. These donations go directly to local food pantries to provide food to people who need our help.

Over the course of its more than 30-year history, the drive has collected well over 1.94 billion pounds of food, thanks to a Postal Service universal delivery network that spans the entire nation, including Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The need is great, but you can help. Currently, more than 47 million Americans are unsure where their next meal will come from. More than 14 million are children who feel hunger's impact on their overall health and ability to perform in school. Nearly 7.4 million seniors over age 60 are food insecure, with many who live on fixed incomes often too embarrassed to ask for help. Our food drive's timing is crucial. Food banks and pantries often receive most of their donations during the winter holiday season. By springtime, many pantries are depleted, entering the

summer low on supplies at a time when many school breakfast and lunch programs are not available to children in need.

Participating in this year's Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive is simple. Just leave non-perishable food donations in a bag by your mailbox Saturday, May 9, 2026, and your letter carrier will do the rest. Please with your help, letter carriers and the U.S. Postal Service can continue our fight to Stamp Out Hunger nationwide.

\*Customers are encouraged to verify food collections with their letter carrier or by entering delivery ZIP Code at <https://www.nalc.org/community-service/food-drive/branch-lookup> for local NALC Branch coverage in their area. If the search tool does not return any results, contact the local Post Office or email [communityserviceshq@nalc.org](mailto:communityserviceshq@nalc.org).

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

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**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**  
 In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1  
 In the Matter of the Estate of William E. Turton, Deceased  
 Estate No.: 29D01-2604-EU-000181  
 Notice is hereby given that Taylor Ann Turton was on April 17, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of William E. Turton, deceased, who died on the 26th day of March, 2026.  
 All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on April 17, 2026.  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1  
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**The following will be sold for charges:**  
 914 3RD AVE SW CARMEL on 5/22/2026 @ 12:00PM  
 • 2012 KIA SXYKU4A29CG266202 \$1,175.00  
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 • 2017 KIA 3KPKFA76HE122436 \$2,449.26  
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**HAMILTON COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE**  
 Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County Regional Utility District will meet on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana 46060. Meeting will begin with Executive Session from 10:00 a.m.-10:10 a.m. for discussion of the Implementation of Security Systems IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(C), Purchase or Lease of Real Estate IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D), Discussion of Pending Litigation IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B), and Discussion of Personnel IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(7). Public session to discuss the utility district business will immediately follow the Executive Session.  
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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Winterburg Developer LLC (9757 Westpoint Drive, Suite 600, Indianapolis, IN 46256) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with their Winterburg Section 3 project, located at approx. 1215 W 193rd St, Sheridan, IN 46069. Run-off from the project site will discharge to the Little Eagle Creek Legal Drain. Questions or comments should be directed to Tim Walter of Winterburg Developer, LLC at 317-863-2057.  
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**LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 Winterburg Developer LLC (9757 Westpoint Drive, Suite 600, Indianapolis, IN 46256) is submitting a Notice of Intent to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of Construction Stormwater General Permit to discharge stormwater from construction activities associated with the Winterburg Sections 4A & 4B project, located at approx. 1215 W 193rd St, Sheridan, IN 46069. Run-off from the project site will discharge to the Little Eagle Creek Legal Drain. Questions or comments should be directed to Tim Walter of Winterburg Developer, LLC at 317-863-2057.  
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**Project:** Hamilton County Special Projects 2026 Bid Package #01 Mechanical  
**Scope of work:** Replacing the South air handling unit above the Sheriff's Office and replacing condensing unit's, line sets, and coils for the air handling units on the Community Corrections building.  
**Contractor Bids:** Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, Indiana, during its regularly scheduled meeting in the Commissioner's Courtroom will receive sealed bids for items as listed below. These sealed bids must be forwarded by registered mail or delivered in person to the Hamilton County Auditor, located in the basement of the historic courthouse at 33 North 9th Street, Suite L21, Noblesville, Indiana 46060 prior to 11:30 a.m. on May 26th, 2026 After 11:30 a.m. bids may be delivered to the Commissioners Courtroom located on the 1st floor of the Judicial Center up to the time of the noticed bid opening. All bids will be opened and read aloud beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26th, 2026.  
**Project Information:** To request project documents (Bid form, drawings, scope of work, etc.), please email HamiltonCountyBids@skender.com and access will be provided.  
**Subcontractor walkthrough:** Email Mitch with Skender at HamiltonCountyBids@skender.com to set up a project walkthrough.  
**Questions:** All questions and correspondence should be directed to HamiltonCountyBids@skender.com.  
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**29D03-2604-EU-000189**  
 STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT  
 ) SS:  
 COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D03-2604-EU-000189  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF )  
 P. ROGER KUMLER, DECEASED. )  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**  
 Notice is hereby given that BMO Harris Bank, N.A., on this date 4/22/26, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of P. Roger Kumler, deceased, who died on February 25, 2026, leaving a will. The estate will be administered without Court Supervision.  
 All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated April 23, 2026  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk of the Hamilton County Superior Court  
 MaryEllen K. Bishop, #4080-49  
 John B. Bishop, #31592-49  
 Lewis Wagner & Trimble  
 1411 Roosevelt Avenue, Suite 102  
 Indianapolis, Indiana 46201  
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 Phone: (317) 844-7400  
**NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION**  
 In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1  
 In the Matter of the Estate of Patricia F. Hull, Deceased  
 Estate No.: 29D01-2604-EU-000190  
 Notice is hereby given that Douglas P. Hull was on April 23, 2026, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Patricia F. Hull, deceased, who died on the 7th day of April, 2026.  
 All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on April 23, 2026.  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1  
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**LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
 The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hamilton County Council Chambers / Commissioners Courtroom located in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Building at One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana in order to hear the following petition:  
 DOCKET NO. BZA-RV-0003-05-2026  
 A variance concerning Article 03, A-3, 4 of the Hamilton County Unified Development Ordinance No. 07-25-2022-A as amended 07-10-2023 to reduce the minimum required side yard setbacks from forty feet (40') to fifteen feet (15')  
 Project Address: 0 East 206th Street Noblesville, IN 46060  
 Parcel number(s): 12-08-18-00-00-021.000  
 Property is zoned: A-3  
 Size of property: 1.8 acres  
 Legal description: Section 18, Township 19, Range 6  
 The petition may be examined at the office of the Hamilton County Planning Commission, One Hamilton County Square, Suite 13, Noblesville, Indiana. Please call (317) 776-8490 should you have any questions.  
 Interested parties may offer an oral opinion at the Hearing or may file written comments concerning the matter to be heard until 12:00 pm the day of the Hearing.  
 The Hearing may be continued from time to time as may be found necessary.  
 Petitioner's Name: William and Moira Elder Date: 04/24/2026  
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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS City of Fishers, Indiana ROAD RESURFACING Contract 26-2**  
**General Notice**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Public Works and Safety of Fishers, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive bids for the following project:  
**ASPHALT ROAD RESURFACING, PAVEMENT REPLACEMENT, ADA CURB RAMP CONSTRUCTION within the City of Fishers, Indiana**  
 Online Bids for the construction of the Project will be received for the project until May 21st, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read at a special Bid Opening meeting at 10:00 am (local time) on May 21st, 2026, in the Hamilton Conference Room, located at One Municipal Drive, Fishers, Indiana 46038. The bid opening can also be joined virtually. No late bids will be accepted. Project Manuals will be available for purchase starting May 6th, 2026.  
 Microsoft Teams Meeting Bid Opening: Meeting ID: 246 851 716 514 339  
 Passcode: Ez7Hs98F  
 For special accommodations required for handicapped individuals planning to attend the public bid opening meeting, please call or notify the City of Fishers at (317) 595-3160 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto.  
 In general, the Work shall be completed by State of Indiana certified/qualified Contractor and Subcontractors for the Project and consists of:  
 Milling and resurfacing of asphalt roadways and ADA curb ramp reconstruction within the following neighborhoods: Springs of Cambridge, 131st St, Howe Road, and Promise Rd.  
 The Project has an expected duration of 120 days.  
 Obtaining the Bidding Documents  
 Project Manuals will be available for purchase starting May 6th, 2026.  
 Bid Documents and Plans can be obtained digitally from the City of Fishers via link: <https://qest.questcdn.com/cdn/posting/c?group=8012654&provider=8012654&projType=all and/or www.questcdn.com Reference Quest Number 10187357>  
 To be considered a plan holder for bids, register with QuestCDN.com for a free Regular membership and download the bidding documents in digital form at a cost of \$42.00. Downloading the documents and becoming a plan holder is recommended as plan holder's receive automatic notice of addenda, other bid updates and access to vBid, online bidding via QuestCDN. Contact QuestCDN Customer Support at 952-233-1632 or Support@QuestCDN.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading digital bidding documents and vBid questions.  
 Interested parties may view the contract documents at no cost prior to deciding to become a plan holder.  
 To access the electronic bid form, download the digital bidding documents and click the 'Online Bid' button or Online Bidding 'Available' button on the bid posting page.  
 Bids will ONLY be received and accepted through vBid via QuestCDN.com. Prospective bidders must be on the plan holder list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted.  
 All payments for Bidding Documents are non-refundable. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.  
 Pre-bid Conference  
 A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held virtually only on May 13th, 2026, at 1:00 pm (local time). Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. Virtual attendance information is below:  
 Microsoft Teams Meeting Pre-Bid Conf: Meeting ID: 229 432 354 281 7  
 Passcode: R6vD35Xh  
 Instructions to Bidders.  
 For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.  
 Work shall be constructed under a Unit Price Contract.  
 A Bid Bond or certified check in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid must be submitted with each Bid. Performance and Payment Bonds each worth 100% of the Bid will be required of the successful Bidder.  
 Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Drawings and Contract Documents and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of drawings and Contract Documents.  
 Bids shall be properly and completely executed on a State Board of Accounts Form 96 (revised 2010). Each Bid shall be accompanied by the Contractor's Bid Attachments (included in the project manual and proposal packet). A financial Statement (completely filled out and signed) shall also be submitted as required by Form 96.  
 Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. No bidder may withdraw any bid or proposal within a period of ninety (90) days following the date set for receiving bids or proposals. The City of Fishers reserves the right to hold any or all bids or proposals for a period of not more than ninety (90) days and said bids or proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said period.  
 Submission of a signed Bid by the Bidder constitutes acknowledgment of and acceptance of all the documents and terms and conditions of the Contract-Legal Requirements and Technical Sections of the specifications in the Project Manual.  
 The City reserves the right to waive any informalities or minor defects in bids or bidding procedure, or reject any and all bids, or to accept any bid as may be lowest responsive or most responsible as exclusively determined by the City of Fishers. The City of Fishers reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitations when it is not in the best interests of the governmental body as determined by the purchasing agency in accordance with IC 5-22-18-2.  
 A conditional or qualified bid will not be accepted. Award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.  
 In accordance with Indiana Code 22-5-1.7-11, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all newly hired employees through the E-Verify program.  
 In accordance with Indiana Code 5-22-16.5, Contractors entering into a contract with the Owner will be required to certify they are not engaged in business with the Government of Iran, as defined in IC 5-22-16.5.  
 The Contractor to whom the work is awarded will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the contract price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.  
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**29D01-2604-EU-000175 Hamilton Superior Court 1**  
 STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT  
 ) SS:  
 COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2604-EU-000175  
 In the Matter of the Estate  
 of Jacob Alfred Stoesz and  
 Nancy Lammeman Stoesz  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
 Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of April, 2026, Timothy Stoesz is appointed as personal Representative of the Estate of Jacob Alfred Stoesz and Nancy Lammeman Stoesz, deceased, who died on March 23, 2026 and December 24, 2024, respectively.  
 All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on this 20th day of April, 2026.  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court  
 Timothy Stoesz  
 Stoesz & Stoesz, LLC  
 124 North 10th Street  
 Noblesville, IN 46060  
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**29001-2604-EU-000193 IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 1 STATE OF INDIANA**  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN IRENE DOWDEN, DECEASED.  
 CAUSE NO. 29001-2604-EU-000193  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.  
 In the matter of Helen Irene Dowden, deceased.  
 Cause Number: 29001-2604-EU-000193  
 Notice is hereby given that on April 28, 2026, Richard Wayne Dowden was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Helen Irene Dowden, deceased, who died on the 16th day of January, 2026.  
 All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, April 28, 2026  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana  
 Gregory M. Halcomb  
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 Notice is hereby given that SEALED BIDS will be received:  
 BY AND AT: Hamilton Southeastern Schools  
 Central Office  
 13485 Cumberland Road  
 Fishers, IN 46038  
 (317) 594-4100  
 Attn: Jerry Enyart  
 FOR: Sand Creek Intermediate Chiller Replacement  
 PROJECT LOCATION: Sand Creek Intermediate School  
 11550 E 131st St  
 Fishers, IN 46038  
 RECEIPT OF BIDS: Bids received after the designated day and time listed above will be returned unopened. Any postal/courier service is the agent of the Bidder. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall also submit financial data and a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the bidder, and clearly identified as follows:  
 Sand Creek Intermediate School Chiller Replacement  
 BID OPENING: Each bid will be opened at the HSE Administration Building, 13485 Cumberland Road Fishers, IN 46038, by the Owner on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 1:30 PM local time. Deliver Bid in a sealed envelope showing the project name and Bidder's name and address.  
 PRE-BID MEETING: A pre-bid meeting for interested parties will be held on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 1:30 PM at Sand Creek Intermediate School. Meet at main entry doors. The meeting will include an opportunity to tour the mechanical room. To arrange site visits after this meeting, contact Jerry Enyart, email: jenyart@hse.k12.in.us phone: (317) 594-4380. Drawings and specifications shall be available at the ReProGraphix online plan room. <https://eplanroom.reprographix.com/>  
 CONTRACT TYPE:  
 Project will be constructed under a Single Prime Contract with bids received on a lump sum basis. Each proposal shall include all labor, material, and services necessary to complete the project in full accordance with the Construction Drawings and Project Manual. Prime bidders and their subcontractors must be certified and in compliance with the Indiana General Assembly's House Enrollment Act #1019.  
 Where trade names, brand names, or manufacturer's names are used in the Project Manual, it is for the purpose of establishing kind and quality and not for the purpose of limiting competition. Bidders may offer items or materials equal in quality and having the same durability and efficiency if the Bidder first receives written approval from the Architect/Engineer prior to the date and time of the Bid Opening and complying with requirements indicated in Document 00 21 00, "Instructions to Bidders." The Bidder shall identify such substitutions by name, kind, and type with the Bid.  
 A contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, complying with the conditions of the Instructions to Bidders and Advertisements for Public Bids. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana's Public Work Projects Act, Indiana Code 36-1-12. The bidder agrees to hold open its bid for a minimum of sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening.  
 The Contract to which the Owner will be a party will contain a provision prohibiting the other party to the Contract, and their subcontractors, from engaging in employment practice that constitutes a discrimination against a person because of the person's race, color, sex, religion, national origin or ancestry. The successful Bidder shall provide an affidavit with each billing assuring the Owner that this provision has not been violated.  
 Any questions concerning this project shall be directed to Schmidt Associates. Contact Patrick Grap pgrap@schmidt-arch.com  
 BID SECURITY: Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid security for five percent (5%) of the base bid in the form of a certified check or a bid bond. Bid bonds shall be executed by the bidder and a surety company qualified to do business in the State of Indiana. The check or bid bond shall be made payable to Hamilton Southeastern Schools. Should a successful Bidder withdraw the bid, or fail to execute a satisfactory Contract, the Owner may then declare the Bid deposit forfeited as liquidated damages.  
**PERFORMANCE BOND AND LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND:**  
 The successful bidder shall, upon acceptance of his bid, be required to procure and pay for a 100% Performance Bond/Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount equal to the contract price, which shall cover faithful performance of the Contract and the payment of all obligations. The cost of the bonds shall be at the expense of the Bidder and be included in the Bidder's bid. The bonds shall be executed by a surety company approved by the Owner and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana.  
 END OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
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**29D01-2604-EU-000175 Hamilton Superior Court 1**  
 STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT  
 ) SS:  
 COUNTY OF HAMILTON ) CAUSE NO. 29D01-2604-EU-000175  
 In the Matter of the Estate  
 of Jacob Alfred Stoesz and  
 Nancy Lammeman Stoesz  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
 Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of April, 2026, Timothy Stoesz is appointed as personal Representative of the Estate of Jacob Alfred Stoesz and Nancy Lammeman Stoesz, deceased, who died on March 23, 2026 and December 24, 2024, respectively.  
 All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on this 20th day of April, 2026.  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court  
 Timothy Stoesz  
 Stoesz & Stoesz, LLC  
 124 North 10th Street  
 Noblesville, IN 46060  
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**29001-2604-EU-000193 IN THE HAMILTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 1 STATE OF INDIANA**  
 IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN IRENE DOWDEN, DECEASED.  
 CAUSE NO. 29001-2604-EU-000193  
**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**  
 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.  
 In the matter of Helen Irene Dowden, deceased.  
 Cause Number: 29001-2604-EU-000193  
 Notice is hereby given that on April 28, 2026, Richard Wayne Dowden was appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Helen Irene Dowden, deceased, who died on the 16th day of January, 2026.  
 All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.  
 Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, April 28, 2026  
 Kathy Kreag Williams  
 Clerk of the Superior Court of Hamilton County, Indiana  
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# 9th Annual IMPACT Awards Celebrates Students' Success

The Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Program proudly celebrated the success of 13 remarkable students at its 9th Annual IMPACT Awards Dinner, held Thursday evening at Hamilton Heights Middle School. This year's event drew one of the largest audiences to date, bringing together students, families, Hamilton Heights School Corporation staff, and community partners from across Hamilton County and beyond to honor the power of perseverance.

Each year, the IMPACT Awards recognize at least one student per grade (K-12) who has demonstrated exceptional resilience in overcoming a personal challenge. Students may be nominated by teachers, counselors, administrators, or any staff member who has witnessed their growth and determination firsthand.

"I look forward to this event every year," said Mary Ann Haymaker, Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance Early Intervention Advocate, who is an instrumental part of creating this annual recognition program. "This time is truly about the kids and recognizing the impact they have made on their teachers and classmates. It is a special time to come together and honor their hard work, resilience, and determination of these students to rise above a challenging issue that may otherwise have negatively impacted their life."

The 2026 Hamilton Heights Youth Assistance IMPACT Award Recipients along with their presenters include:

In addition to the student honorees, Andy Smith, Dean of Students at Hamilton Heights Middle School, was the recipient of the 2026 Tony Etchison Memorial Award, presented annually to an individual who exemplifies exceptional dedication, compassion, and service to students. Smith was selected for the meaningful con-



Photo courtesy Hamilton Heights Schools  
**Back row from left, Braeden Flaherty. Second row from left, Avery Eisele, Liam Craig, Finn Craig, Kurtis Griffith, Bobby Drury, James Lawton and Tori James. Front row from left, Atticus McNew, Layla Wallace, Joseph Etchison, Kyla Newby and Maelynn Huber.**

nections he builds with students and his unwavering commitment to helping them grow into the best versions of themselves.

"This event is a true celebration of the accomplishments

challenges in their lives," said Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood, who served as the event's emcee.

"Their resilience, determination, and grit have allowed them to rise above adversity – proving that obstacles do not define one's ability to succeed, both inside and outside the classroom. Their journeys serve as a powerful reminder that anyone can overcome life's challenges and, in doing so, inspire others to persevere."

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- K:** Maelynn Huber presented by Maggie Young
- 1st Grade:** Kyla Newby presented by Megan Heard
- 2nd Grade:** Joseph Etchison presented by Kayla Tobias
- 3rd Grade:** Layla Wallace presented by Megan Spurgeon
- 4th Grade:** Atticus McNew presented by Miranda Wagner
- 5th Grade:** Bobby Drury presented by Brad Speck and Heather Greider
- 7th Grade:** Kurtis Griffith presented by Joelle Bolen and Bri Reader
- 8th Grade:** Liam and Finn Craig presented by Bryan Jones
- 9th Grade:** Avery Eisele presented by Derek Davis
- 10th Grade:** James Lawton presented by Summer Bailey
- 11th Grade:** Braeden Flaherty presented by Nicole Ridens
- 12th Grade:** Tori James presented by Jeff Beechler and April Baugher

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