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Mayor Hogsett, Indy DPW announce next phase of Community Powered Infrastructure Program

INIP recipients announced, Tactical Urbanism and Art in the Right-of-Way applications open

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Joe Hogsett on Thursday morning announced the six projects selected for funding through the 2024 Indianapolis Neighborhood Infrastructure Partnership (INIP) via the Indianapolis Department of Public Works (Indy DPW) and opened applications for the City’s Tactical Urbanism and Art in the Right-of-Way programs, all programs under [Community Powered Infrastructure](#).

“For six years now, the Indianapolis Neighborhood Infrastructure Partnership has successfully utilized input and investment directly from our communities to make improvements in neighborhood infrastructure all over Indianapolis,” said Mayor Joe Hogsett. “And the City has supported these projects by matching our communities’ investments, dollar for dollar.”

This is the first year that Indy DPW is working to combine all three programs into “Community Powered Infrastructure”. The Community Powered Infrastructure program allows residents to play an active role in the development of their community through cost-share projects.

“Community Powered Infrastructure supplements the work of our engineering team by empowering residents to help make more immediate changes they would like to see in their neighborhoods,” said Indy DPW Director Brandon Herget. “When residents are involved, projects are more likely to reflect the true needs and desires of the community.”

The INIP projects chosen for 2024 total nearly \$2.5 million in investment in Indianapolis’s infrastructure. The program allows Indy DPW to double the effective value of tax dollars, increase the number of neighborhood and community-based projects and jump-start development that would not otherwise be possible through capital projects alone.



“Our city often faces budget constraints that limit our ability to address all community needs effectively,” said City-County Councilor Brienne Delaney. “By participating in Community Powered Infrastructure initiatives, residents can help identify and advocate for the most pressing needs in their neighborhoods.”

Since the inception of the program in 2018, the City has invested \$9.5 million into more than 60 projects across Marion County. Projects awarded in the 2024 grant season may see bidding and construction as early as 2025.

2024 Indy Neighborhood Infrastructure Partnership Projects include:

- Center for Inquiry School 70 – New sidewalks sections and pedestrian crossing
- Greenbriar Neighborhood Association – Sidewalk rehabilitation
- IndyGo Foundation – Bus stop improvements
- International District Community Center - Sidewalk improvements, road repair, median work
- Town of Meridian Hills – Road improvements
- Trustees of Indiana University (Indianapolis campus) - Resurfacing, crosswalk enhancements

Officials also announced the opening of applications for the revamped Tactical Urbanism and Art in the Right-of-Way programs, which now feature a 50/50 cost share component.

- [File an application here](#)

Tactical Urbanism is a program that allows communities to test infrastructure changes in their neighborhood through low-cost, temporary projects. The community will work with the City to develop a hypothesis and collect data both pre- and post-project implementation to see whether these proposed changes would be effective solutions to the issues they are facing.

Art in the Right-of-Way is a program that allows communities to celebrate their unique identities by using art within the City right-of-way for placemaking within their neighborhoods.



Whether a mural or sculpture, this program offers a unique way to build community bonds and have been found to have traffic calming effects.

Last month, the City-County Council provided a total of \$100,000 to help further expand the tactical urbanism program through the creation of a lending library for community partners to access. These materials can be used to help bring costs for tactical urbanism and art in the right-of-way projects down even further – potentially to zero for community organizations.

The application window for Tactical Urbanism and Art in the Right of Way Cost-Share projects will be open through August 30, 2024.

For more information about these programs, please visit www.indy.gov/activity/cpi

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