



Indianapolis native Vivica A. Fox attended the unveiling of “Keepers of Culture” on Sept. 1. (Photo/Breanna Cooper)

‘CELEBRATE OUR OWN’: GANGGANG, Recorder partner for mural dedication

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Local artist Ashley Nora applied to work on a mural project for months. After numerous rejections, she sought out divine intervention three months ago.

“I prayed to God for someone to believe in me and my talent,” Nora said.

Just nine hours after her prayer, she got a call from Alan Bacon and Malina Jeffers.

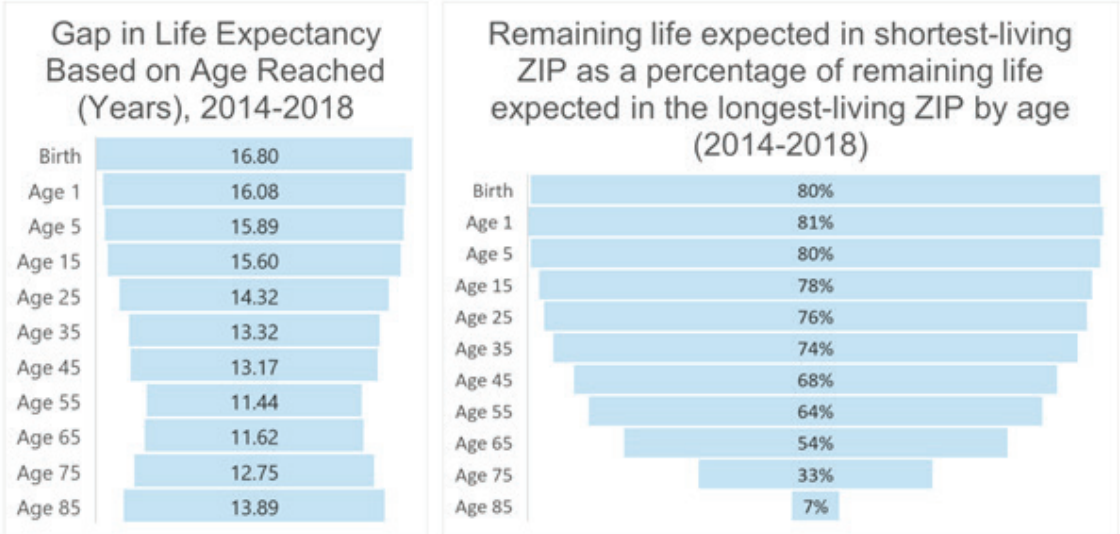
Jeffers and Bacon, co-founders of the cultural development firm GANGGANG, wanted Nora to create a mural for their fine art fair BUTTER. Nora didn’t hesitate and in six weeks created the first 3D mural in Indianapolis. The project is a partnership between GANGGANG and the Recorder.

Unveiled Sept. 1 at the Stutz Business Center, “Keepers of Culture” lives up to GANGGANG’s vision of elevating Black art and culture. Through layering various colors of paint to create a 3D effect (3D glasses will be available during BUTTER), Nora immortalized eight Black icons from Indianapolis, including actress Vivica A. Fox and local creatives Rob Dixon and Mariah Ivey. The mural also pays tribute to the late Amos Brown, a longtime radio host and columnist for the Recorder.

Nora wanted the mural to “celebrate our own” and emphasized how much talent there is in Indianapolis.

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New study shows a widening gap in life expectancy in Indianapolis



By FARAH YOUSRY

Where you live in Indianapolis has a significant impact on how long you live. The gap in life expectancy between different ZIP codes in the Indianapolis metro area is nearly 17 years, according to a new study by Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health and SAVI, a community data center based at IUPUI.

The study looked at 104 ZIP codes in greater Indianapolis from 2014 to 2018. It found the gap has widened by 3.2 years since an earlier study completed in 2013. Residents of the longest-living communities lived 16.8 years more than those in the shortest-living ZIP codes in the Indianapolis metro area.

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Tulsa Race Massacre survivor to be remembered during program from IU law school



J.B. Stradford with is wife, Augusta.
(Photo provided by IU School of Law)

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As a retired judge, David Shaheed has spent plenty of time researching the legal profession and preparing presentations for various groups. That’s what he was doing in 2020, looking into Black Wall Street, when he kept coming across the same name: J.B. Stradford.

Stradford was a pioneer of Black Wall Street in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and survived the Tulsa Race Massacre in 1921. And, as Shaheed learned, Stradford was a graduate of the Indianapolis College of Law, a predecessor of the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

“That’s kind of amazing,” said Shaheed, who graduated from the law school in 1984, “because I’ve never heard of that.”

Around the same time, another graduate, Nicole Burts, was doing research on the Red Summer of 1919 and found a podcast about Black Wall Street that she listened to on the road. That’s when she first heard Stradford’s name.

“For me, it feels like total alignment, like divine intervention,” said Burts, who gradu-

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Prosecutor’s office launches hate crimes hotline



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The Marion County Prosecutor’s Office has a new hotline for people who believe they have experienced or witnessed a crime potentially motivated by bias.

The Marion County Hate Crimes Hotline, which started Aug. 23, is meant to serve multiple purposes. First, it’s a resource for people to figure out what next steps they can take if they’ve been victimized. That could include filing a formal police report. But the social worker and victim advocate who monitor the hotline can also help people process what happened to them.

Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears said some people aren’t sure if what they experienced was actually a hate crime — meaning it hap-

pened because of a social identifier including race, religion and sexuality. Others may brush it off because they think they’re overreacting or believe nothing will be done anyway if they report it.

Victims can choose to file a formal report with local law enforcement or be referred to a service provider for trauma counseling and other assistance.

The hotline can be reached at 317-327-5314; it is not for emergencies.

Julianne Miller, a special victims advocate, said the hotline had received about five calls as of Aug. 26, and those mostly involved general questions about what constitutes a hate crime.

Making people more comfortable could help give a clearer picture of how prevalent hate crimes are, at least locally. National studies have

shown hate crimes are underreported.

“What we’re trying to do is help people understand that that interaction that you may have had with someone could have been motivated by hate or bias,” Mears said.

In a typical conversation, a social worker or victim advocate will ask the caller about the basics of the incident, as well as if there are any differences in identities between the people involved and if the person believes the crime was committed because of those differences.

Miller said it’s important to ask direct questions while also being mindful of the “power dynamic” between the victim and the person trying to get information.

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ated in 2017. "I believe nothing happens by coincidence or accident. I believe it was divine timing."

The law school will host a virtual event at 5 p.m. Sept. 10 to recognize Stradford, who graduated in 1900 and practiced law before moving to Oklahoma. Descendants of Stradford's are also expected to be part of the event. Register at mckin-

neylaw.iu.edu.

Shaheed and Burts both went to the law school with their information about Stradford. Shaheed got there first, asking for confirmation that he graduated from the school. Burts soon followed. The two ended up on a committee to do research into Stradford's life and put the program together.

Patricia Kinney, assis-

tant dean of diversity and inclusion, called them the “rockstars” of the project.

“A lot of times we talk about how not diverse the legal profession is,” Kinney said. “You walk down the halls and you don’t see a lot of faces of color in the old deposits.”

There will eventually be a painted portrait of Stradford at the law school.

"If we don't make an effort to preserve our history, a lot of the important people in our history and a lot of important Americans, their stories would be lost," Shaheed said.

Stradford was born in 1861 in Kentucky. He was named J.B. after John the Baptist and wrote a memoir that was passed through the family, which is where much of the research for the

project came from. The committee also looked at the Black press of the day, including the Recorder.

In Oklahoma, Stradford built a 65-room hotel where many Black musicians and celebrities would stay because of segregation. The hotel was burned to the ground during the race riot.

Stradford was an active critic of lynching and

led a protest in May 1921 against the arrest and threatened lynching of a Jewish man. He also organized a group of men to successfully advocate for a young Black man charged with assaulting a white woman.

Stradford had a son, C. Francis Stradford, who became a prominent attorney in the Chicago area and was president of the National Bar Association.

The elder Stradford died Dec. 22, 1935, in Chicago. His obituary was published in the Recorder.

“Having observed what the denial of training meant in his early manhood he had a burning desire to see young men of the race well educated,” the obituary read.

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IndyGo receives nearly \$80M for Purple Line

IndyGo announced it has received an \$80.975 million grant to construct the Purple Line, the second of three planned bus rapid transit projects.

The grant comes from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

"We're so grateful to the FTA for another huge vote of confidence," Inez Evans, IndyGo president and CEO, said in a statement. "This award means we can finally put years of planning into action for the second BRT line."

The Purple Line will run 15.2 miles, going north from the transit center downtown to 38th Street and then east to Post Road before going north again to Lawrence. The proposed route shares some stops with the Red Line, which goes north and south.

Along with the bus route, there will be 9 1/2 miles of sidewalk additions or repairs, 355 new or updated curb ramps and new traffic lights.

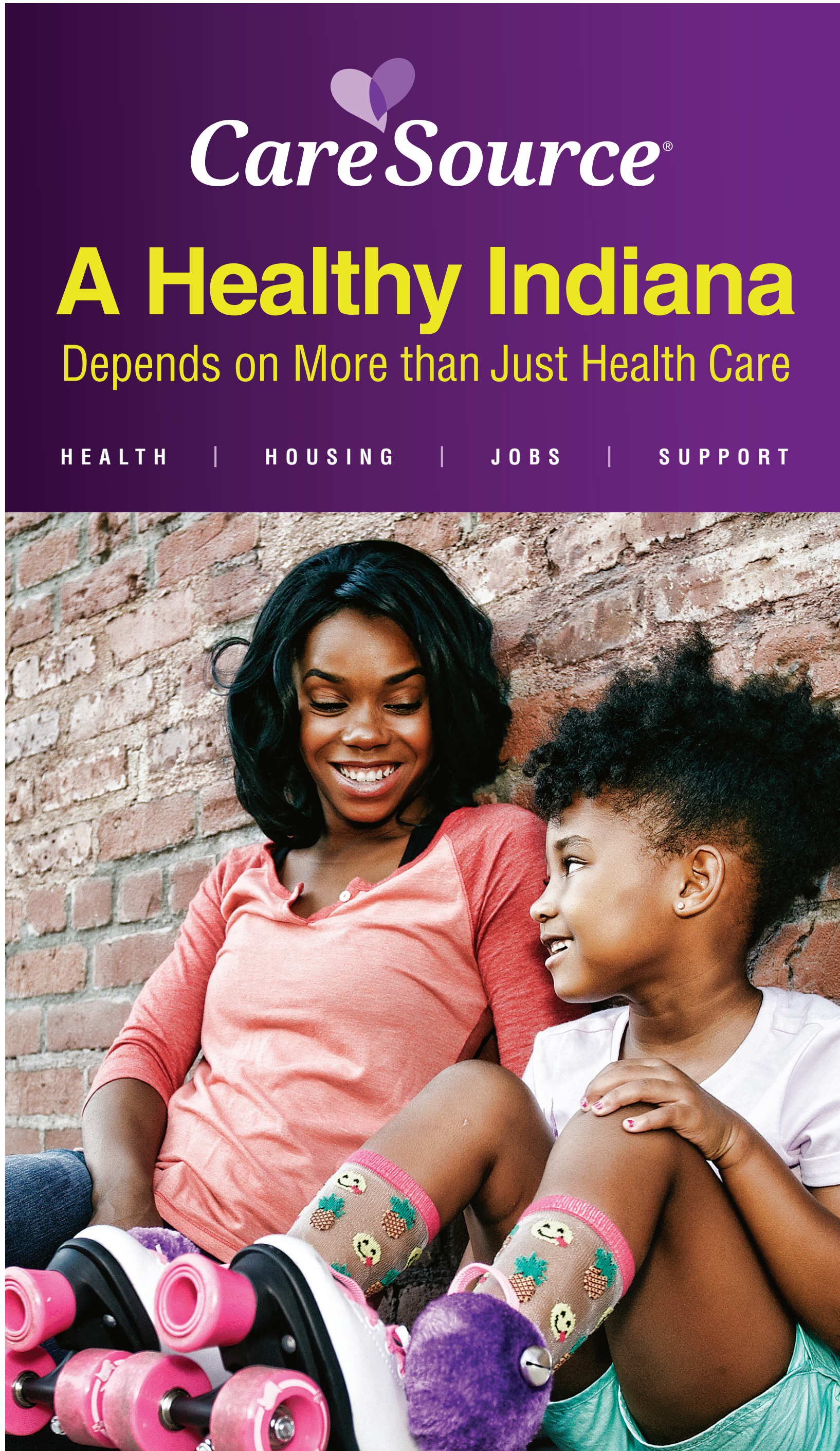
The FTA grant will cover about half of the projected cost for the Purple Line. The remaining costs will be covered by a combination of local funding from the transit income tax, the Department of Public Works and other FTA and Federal Highway Administration sources.

IndyGo plans to hold public meetings in January 2022 to discuss construction schedules. Construction is expected to begin as early as February 2022, with the route set to open in 2024.

CORRECTION

An article published in last week's paper, "Steve Jefferson leaving WTHR after 19 years," incorrectly stated Steve Jefferson's first day at WFAA TV is Sept. 1. His last day at WTHR is Sept. 1, and he starts at WFAA in mid-September.

We apologize for the error. The Recorder makes every attempt to correct its mistakes.



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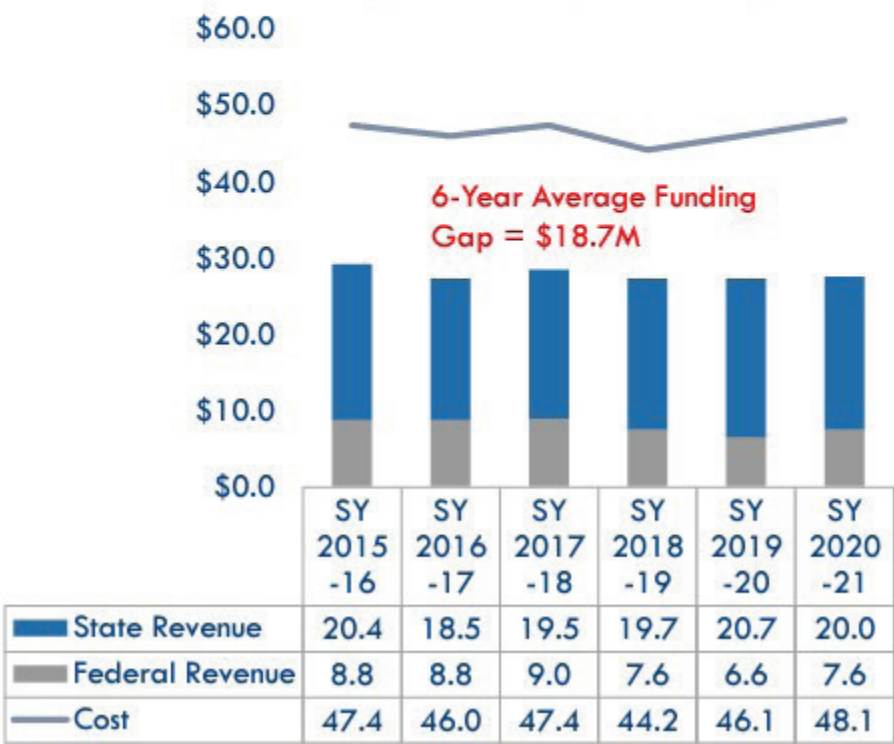
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IPS consistently faces multimillion-dollar gap in special education funding

Expenditures for special education (SpEd) and English language learners (ELL) encroach on General/Education Fund budget allocations, capturing around 10% of state tuition support.

SPED Funding & Cost (in millions)



ELL Funding & Cost (in millions)



A graph shows the funding gaps Indianapolis Public Schools faces in special education and services for English language learners. (Screenshot from quarterly finance report)

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Indianapolis Public Schools faced a \$20.5 million gap in funding for special education for the 2020-21 school year. The year before that, it was \$18.8 million.

School officials say the Indiana Legislature hasn't funded special education at a high enough level, and the district has had to pull money from its general education fund to cover the gap — amounts that equal about 10% of the money the state allocates

for tuition support.

"The hit is on our general education programming," IPS Chief Financial Officer Weston Young said during a media roundtable before he presented the district's quarterly financial report to the school board Aug. 26.

State tuition support per pupil is expected to increase by 6.2% from the 2020-21 school year to the 2022-23 school year, though Young said the average increase for surrounding districts is around 9%. Lawmakers earlier this year increased funding for special education by \$196 million in

the state's two-year budget.

About three-fourths of funding for special education, along with funding for English language learners, where IPS faces a smaller gap, comes from the state government. The rest comes from the federal government.

IPS spent \$48.1 million on special education last school year but only received \$27.6 in funding. The six-year average funding gap is \$18.7 million.

Covering the gap with money from the general education fund means the district misses opportunities to provide more resources to principals

for professional development, staffing and instruction materials, Young said.

Federal law says schools have to provide a "free appropriate public education" to students with disabilities, regardless of the nature or severity of the disability. Education programs for students with disabilities must be designed to meet their individual needs to the same extent as students without disabilities.

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“Black Political Leaders’ Report to the Village”

Elected officials participated in “Black Political Leaders’ Report to the Village” during the Generation to Generation (G2G) Conference at Scott United Methodist Church. (Photos/Curtis Guynn)



Rev. Wayne Moore, pastor, Olivet Baptist Church, moderated the discussion.



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“The gap in life expectancy is just the final manifestation in a series of gaps during living years,” said Tess Weathers, research associate at the IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health and the lead researcher.

The ZIP code 46218 is located a few miles away from the heart of the city and is home to the predominantly Black, low-income neighborhood of Martindale-Brightwood. That ZIP code has the lowest life expectancy in the metro area of 68 years. ZIP code 46037, where the suburb of Fishers is located, has the highest life expectancy at 84.4 years. The distance between the two ZIP codes is just 17 miles — less than a 20-minute car drive.

For context: According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data, Indiana ranks 39th among all states when it comes to life expectancy. Still, the gap between Indiana and the highest-ranked state in the country — California — is far smaller than the gap between the longest-living and the shortest-living ZIP codes in the Indianapolis metro area. That gap is just 4 years.

On average, life expectancy in Indianapolis metro ZIP codes decreased by 0.24 years from 2013. But this decrease was not shared equally. In fact, many ZIP codes — predominantly white with higher income — have gained up to 6.7 years in lifespan, while other ZIP codes in the urban core — predominantly Black and brown neighborhoods — lost up to 5.3 years.

This highlights egregious inequities in health, education and environmental quality facing communities of color in Indianapolis.

The study looked at the period before the COVID-19 pandemic and does not reflect the loss of life that affected Americans overall and the disproportionate impact that Black and brown Americans experienced as a result of the pandemic.

“The same underlying social vulnerabilities that shortened lives during COVID were already shortening lives in the decades before COVID,”

Weathers said. “And they will continue to shorten lives in the future unless we take action.”

Lost life across age groups

While life expectancy is commonly understood as the average number of years lived since birth, it is measured at different age groups — essentially measuring how long a person is expected to live after they reach a certain age.

“The remarkable thing is that the [life expectancy] gap is persistent along the age spectrum,” Weathers said.

The new study shows the biggest gap in life expectancy is in fact at the birth. This means a child born in neighborhoods with a lower life expectancy is likely to live a shorter life than one born in neighborhoods with a higher life expectancy. This gap narrows when a person lives until 55 years of age. And then widens again at age 85.

In other words, babies living in the communities with lower life expectancy are expected to live only 80% of the life span of babies in higher life expectancy. And elders who reach 85 years of age would live only 7% of the remaining life that their counterparts in higher life expectancy zip codes live.

Education

The report looked at the many factors contributing to this troubling gap. Educational attainment seems to be one of the most telling factors in the life expectancy of a population. In Indiana, those who have not completed high school are four times more likely to be in fair or poor health compared to those with college degrees. The study shows education explains as much as 57% of the life expectancy gap.

Researchers believe that is due in part to the cascade effect educational attainment has on a person’s life — education provides less precarious

employment opportunities and the ability to earn a higher income. Another earlier study co-authored by IU researchers showed being in a precarious employment situation negatively affects the health of an individual, especially during environmental or health crisis such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

Income, segregation and quality of life

The study also looked at the ZIP codes with the highest segregation rates. The average life expectancy at birth of those who lived in the most segregated ZIP codes was 3.9 years less than those in the lesser segregated ZIP codes.

Historically racist practices like redlining in which residents were denied access to loans and neighborhoods were graded from A to D — A being “best” and D being “hazardous” — led to decades of disinvestment in certain neighborhoods. The grading system was primarily based on race, and neighborhoods with Black residents often received the “hazardous” designation.

The impact of this racist system lives on. Black Americans have less generational wealth, less access to opportunities and live in neighborhoods with lower quality environmental conditions and access to basic services.

“Wherever redlining was high, opportunities is low,” said Matt Nowlin, user experience designer and data analyst with the Polis Center at IU-PUI.

He referred to historic maps of redlining and current maps that show the correlation between the racist practice and current neighborhood segregation, economic opportunity and even health disparities.

Indianapolis ranks 42nd on a list of 114 most segregated cities in the country and the legacy of this segregation is glaring — even more so than in other major metros in the U.S. A study that ranked the 100

largest metros in the country found Indianapolis to be among the worst 10 cities to live as a poor person. A low-income person in Indianapolis lives a shorter life than a low-income person in New York City, Los Angeles and Chicago. The study says other cities offer better access to necessary services like education, grocery stores, transportation and employment, which partially mitigates the impact of poverty.

For instance, a 2019 study by SAVI showed 22% of Indianapolis residents live in a food desert. Thirty-two percent of Black Hoosiers live in a food desert as opposed to 17% of white Hoosiers.

“These are social toxins just as deadly and far more entrenched than COVID,” Weathers said.


No clear cut answer

The study does not establish any causative relationship between certain socioeconomic or health factors and life expectancy. But the Indianapolis ZIP code data revealed in this study clearly points to the fact that where someone lives and their race can be a predictor of their length and quality of life.

She said the community’s focus should shift from longevity and extending people’s lives to bridging the striking gaps in life expectancy within our own backyard.

“We need to stop blaming the people who live in these places. This is a society-produced problem,” Weathers said. “It takes all of us. It must not be something that we just put off.”

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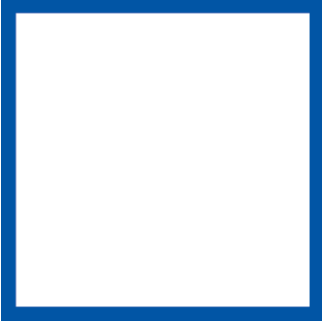


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‘After the Uprising’ podcast examines death of Danye Jones

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In 2018, Melissa McKinnies found her 24-year-old son, Danye Jones, hanging from a tree in the backyard of their Missouri home. Police quickly deemed his death a suicide. McKinnies, a prominent Ferguson activist, is adamant her son was lynched.

Three years later, Jones’ death is the subject of a podcast, “After the Uprising: The Death of Danye Dion Jones.” Indianapolis native Ray Nowoseilski and John Duffy host the 11-part series. The duo, who both live in southern Indiana, learned of Jones’ case through Twitter. After learning some of the details of the case, Nowoseilski said a podcast seemed like the best way to capture the story.

“The difference between the type of journalism that we think gets some real results and the other kind of journalism that takes a lot of heat from the public, the difference seems to be the amount of time you’re with a group of people and get to know their world,” Nowoseilski said. “... We’ve done documentaries and books in the past, and we were looking to explore podcasting.”

To contextualize Jones’ death — and why his family is at odds



with the local police — requires an understanding of St. Louis County, Missouri.

The small town on the eastern edge of the state was once a rural, predominately white area. Racial tensions heightened in the 1970s, when an influx of African Americans moved into Section 8 apartments. Since the ‘90s, it has been a predominately Black community, after real estate companies encouraged white homeowners to sell their homes at a loss, implying African Americans moving in would depress property values. Tensions between residents

of St. Louis County and local police made international headlines in 2014 after police officer Darren Wilson shot and killed Michael Brown, an 18-year-old, unarmed Black teenager. For three days, protesters were met with military-like force from police and the National Guard. Since then, many prominent activists have been targeted, and some suspiciously killed. McKinnies, who helped organize demonstrations, said in the podcast she’d received ominous messages

from police officers before the death of her son.

While Nowoseilski and Duffy became close with Jones’ family, their main objective throughout the series remained to find the truth about what happened to Danye.

“We pride ourselves on our ability to be emotionally connected,” Nowoseilski said. “Maybe we want the answer to be something in particular, but if we find something contradictory, we explore it. It’s difficult to do this story without getting close to Danye’s family, and we’re rooting for them. But our duty is to the truth.”

The truth, as listeners learn in the series, is muddled by alleged missteps by the St. Louis County Police Department. Notably, the sheet that was used to hang Jones — which family say did not match any sheets in the house — had trace amounts of DNA from unidentified individuals. Despite this finding, the bedsheet was never swabbed thoroughly, and ultimately, the evidence was destroyed by police.

Duffy and Nowoseilski are awaiting a call to action from Jones’ family before moving forward. Throughout their reporting, they realized Jones’ story is not unique. Several families they met said the homicides of their loved ones went uninvestigated.

The podcast is complete. If you want to know what happened in the Jones case, “After the Uprising: The Death of Danye Dion Jones” is available wherever you stream podcasts.

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A local angle

Indianapolis residents tuning into “After the Uprising” will hear a familiar name. Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears offered some legal advice to co-host Ray Nowoseilski. The two were classmates at Cardinal Ritter High School.

Nowoseilski cites Indiana Black Expo as his “origin story.” As a high school student, he took part in the organization’s video program, made up of teenagers of diverse backgrounds. “I got exposed to a lot of friends and future colleagues, and it set me on the path I’m on now,” Nowoseilski said. “I owe that organization a lot.”

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‘Black Lives Matter’ mural artists celebrate first anniversary

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It’s been one year since a group of 18 artists joined together to create the “Black Lives Matter” mural downtown. To commemorate the anniversary, the Indianapolis Arts Council opened the exhibition, 365+, to showcase work from the 18 artists. Earlier this year, the group launched EIGHTEEN Art Collective to provide artists the opportunity to get their work in the public eye. “Three-hundred sixty-five days marks the end of a year, but it also provides space to begin another,” Deonna Craig, president of the EIGHTEEN Art Collective, said. “Coming full circle is a part of our story. We want to highlight that while we were introduced as 18 artists who activated a mural for Black Lives Matter, before and after we were working visual artists. This exhibit is a visual depiction that Black Lives Matter year-round. The work continues. We continue. Not just for one day but for 365.”

Through Oct. 15, visitors can see artwork from several veteran artists, including Gary Gee and Rebecca Robinson, as well as up-and-coming Indianapolis artists. Throughout September, visitors can sign up for programs, such as painting and drawing classes, in conjunction with the exhibit.



Gallery space at the Indianapolis Arts Center. 365+ will be available to view through Oct. 15. (Photo provided by Indianapolis Arts Center)

365 is open to view every day at the Indianapolis Arts Center, 820 E 67th St. 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Friday 9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Saturday Noon-6 p.m. Sunday

Artist Kyng Rhodes said the collective is representing how diverse the Indianapolis arts scene is, in terms of art mediums and the artists themselves. “I’ve never belonged to an art collective of adult artists and there’s a lot of genders, non-binary artists, we have women, men, just people that don’t use any pronouns,” Rhodes said. “EIGHTEEN has a lot of representation for all different types of communities and multiple art disciplines, like concrete and animations.”

Rhodes said support for EIGHTEEN from the community is proof that it’s possible to be a full-time artist in Indianapolis.

“One of the many things that is exciting about the EIGHTEEN Collective is the mentoring and relationships that have been built and strengthened,” Mark Williams, president and CEO of the Indianapolis Art Center, said. “We love being a community gathering space that the collective feels a part of and can come back to over and over.”

The exhibition will conclude at 6 p.m. Oct. 15 with a closing reception featuring a panel discussion with all 18 artists.

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The Decatur Township and the Wayne Township Fire Departments of Marion County, IN are accepting applications for the position of Firefighter. Information cards will be accepted starting on September 8, 2021 at 8:00am and will end on September 29, 2021 at 4:30pm. For more information or to fill out an information card visit our web site at www.waynefire.org or www.decaturfire.org. Questions can be directed to the hiring coordinator at 317-246-6227. You may also stop by the Wayne Township Fire Department located at 700 N. High School Rd Indianapolis, IN, or Decatur Township Fire Department Headquarters located at 5410 South High School Rd Indianapolis, IN, Monday through Friday except holidays, from 8:30am to 4:30pm.

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Services for basketball legend Jerry Harkness

Jerald (Jerry) Harkness, 81, died Aug. 24.

Jerry Harkness was born May 7, 1940, in Harlem, New York. He was motivated to try out for basketball his senior year at DeWitt Clinton High School when Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers saw him shooting baskets at the Harlem YMCA and told him, “You are not that bad.” The Clinton team, with Harkness, won the city championship and he was named Athlete of the Year.

Harkness received a full athletic scholarship to Chicago’s Loyola University and was named team captain his senior year. That year, Loyola broke racial barriers playing four Black players against an all-white team, the Mississippi State Bulldogs, in the Division I National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Tournament. The game, known as the “Game of Change,” was preceded by the famous handshake between Harkness and Joe Dan Gold, the Mississippi State captain. Loyola won and went on to beat Cincinnati for the NCAA national title. Harkness was inducted into Loyola University Athletic Hall of Fame and his jersey No. 15 retired. He graduated from Loyola with a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology and became the first African American store merchandiser for the Quaker Oats Co.

Harkness was drafted by the New York Knickerbockers in 1963, became a member of the American Basketball Association (ABA) and played for the Indiana Pacers. Following retirement from the Pacers, Harkness became the first African American sportscaster for WTHR TV-13. He then became the first African American fundraiser at United Way of Central Indiana and after retire-



Jerry Harkness. (Photo provided by family from Facebook)

ment opened an athletic footwear store called the Athlete’s Foot.

Harkness devoted much of his time to civil rights issues and as a community volunteer including with Indianapolis Human Rights Commissioner, Police Athletic League (PAL) and Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He was a member and executive director of

the Indianapolis 100 Black Men Chapter. He particularly enjoyed encouraging young individuals.

His numerous awards included NCAA Silver Anniversary Award, Boy Scouts of America “This is Your Life Award,” Sports Illustrated “Muhammad Ali Award,” Jesse Jackson “Trailblazer Award,” inducted into Chicagoland Sports, Indiana, Manhattan, and Harlem basketball halls of fame. Harkness and his 1963 Loyola Ramblers teammates were the first team ever to be inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame. A highlight of his career was when the ’63 Loyola basketball team was invited to the Oval Office to meet President Barack Obama.

Visitation will be 2-7 p.m. Sept. 2 at Lavenia & Summers Home for Funerals, 5811 E. 38th Street, and 9-11 a.m. Sept. 3 at Grace Apostolic Church, 649 E. 22nd St. The celebration of life service will be 11 a.m. Sept. 3 in the church. Burial will immediately follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.



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Fox, a 1982 graduate of Arlington High School, thanked Nora and GANGGANG for “bringing her home.” While Fox left Indianapolis for California a month after graduating high school, she said the values her mother instilled in her growing up paved the way for her decades-long career.

“We lived right across the street from the church, Breeding Tabernacle on Leland [Avenue],” Fox said in an interview with the Recorder. “We were always active in the church, and my mother was always so supportive of everything I was doing, and I was always doing something. ... When I told her I wanted to move to California, she said, ‘OK, you need to start saving money.’ So, even then she instilled a work ethic in me, and the idea that if I wanted to achieve my dream, I had to go out and do it.”

Fox said being immortalized in the mural lets her know “that all the hard work and sacrifices I make ... have paid off.”

Dixon, a jazz musician and artistic director for the Indy Jazz Fest, said he’s

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“honored and humbled to be recognized for what I’ve tried to do.”

The mural’s location is significant, as well. Located at the southeastern entrance of the historic Indiana Avenue — once a hub for Black life and commerce — Rep. Andre Carson said the mural celebrates the history of talent and culture in Indianapolis.

“Black Hoosiers have a story to tell,” Carson said, “and we won’t be silenced.”

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Eli Lilly, National Minority Quality Forum partnership aims to ‘reimagine cancer care’

By FARAH YOUSRY

Pharmaceutical giant Eli Lilly and Co. is partnering with the National Minority Quality Forum, a nonpartisan research and education organization focused on health equity, to propose steps to address health disparities. The partnership will initially focus on cancer care and eventually extend to other health conditions.

“Cancer is an area [where] there’s a lot of innovation happening,” Eric Dozier, Eli Lilly’s vice president of North American Oncology, said. “There’s an opportunity for us to improve overall care here, and there’s a need. So, this is a nice place for us to kind of start that dialogue relative to social determinants of health and make an impact.”

The partnership started in April 2021 and is still in its early phases. In addition to shining a light on existing problems, the two organizations are starting a dialogue with different medical and nonmedical stakeholders and policy-makers to improve health outcomes for Black and brown patients.

Lilly and Washington, D.C.-based NMFQ recently published a report that outlines recommendations to tackle disparities in cancer care from screening to treatment.

African Americans have the highest mortality rates and the shortest survival periods from most cancers compared to all other racial groups. In 2017, more than 70,000 African Americans died of cancer in the U.S. and some of these deaths can be attributed to social and economic barriers — a legacy of systemic racism.

“The American health care system was segregated up until the late 1970s. African Americans couldn’t go into certain hospitals; medical associations didn’t allow African Americans in,” NMFQ President Gary Puckrein said.

“The legacy system is still there in a lot of ways. It wasn’t until the Affordable Care Act in 2009, that 48% of African Americans actually got access to health insurance. ... So, imagine living with diabetes or cancer or any other disease, and you have no health insurance and limited access to Medicaid?” he added.

Puckrein said the “culture” of the health care system needs to change to become more patient-centered and less cost-centered to level the playing field and put optimal care for all patients ahead of focusing on financial risks.

“The system thinks its purpose is managing financial risk,” he said. “You hear people talking about rationing care as if that’s an appropriate thing for a health care system to do. And unfortunately, when you start rationing, guess what happens? Minority populations, poor people, they get underserved and end up with higher death rates from cancer.”

One of the foremost issues the partnership aims to tackle is increasing representation of Black and brown patients in cancer clinical trials to improve their health outcomes.

Studies show 75% of patients face barriers to participation in a clinical trial because of their social and economic conditions — and Black and

Resources for cancer patients:

Lilly Oncology Support Center, lillyoncologysupport.com, works to help eligible patients secure affordable access to their life-saving medications.

brown patients are hit the hardest leading to poorer health outcomes and less effective treatments from some cancers.

For instance, fewer African American women are diagnosed with breast cancer but when they are, they die at a much higher rate and have far worse five-year survival rates. Research shows that the type of breast cancer affecting Black women has a worse response to widely used cancer drugs. “Even just transportation to the trial site and then also how do we make sure that we engage more providers in the recruitment and retention?” Dozier of Eli Lilly said.

Among the recommendations that Lilly and NMFQ stressed in the joint paper is to offer incentives to foster integration between medical and non-medical services, such as housing and transportation, to address social needs that affect cancer patients’ health outcomes.

A recent survey of oncologists showed 90% believe that factors such as financial stability, access to food and social isolation affect their patients’ health outcomes.

According to the American Association for Cancer Research’s 2020 report on cancer disparities, 34% of cancer deaths between 25 and 74 in the U.S. could have been prevented by removing social and economic disparities.

Part of this disparity results in Black and brown patients seeking less preventive care and cancer screenings that could otherwise help in early treatment and better survival rates and overall quality of life.

“I’ve been in the cancer field specifically in my job at Lilly for going on my fourth year. We have amazing medicine. Amazing things that we can do, but at the end of the day if this doesn’t get to patients, we can’t really have the outcomes we want,” Dozier said. “And so to me, part of this is for us to say, ‘How do we start to kind of reimagine care?’ I think each of us is playing an important [role]. It’s just going to require more collaboration, more partnerships, more engagement.”

The partnership plans to continue to foster collaborations and conversations to bring about steps that would reduce cost, increase access, and foster trust and accountability.

This story was reported as part of a partnership between WFYI, Side Effects Public Media and the Indianapolis Recorder. Contact Farah Yousry at fyousry@wfyi.org or 857-285-0449. Follow her on Twitter @Farah_Yoursrym.



City receives \$91 million for rent assistance

Indianapolis received more than \$91 million for its rent assistance program, IndyRent, from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority. The city will use the money to provide nine additional months of rent assistance beyond its current three-month eligibility. “This funding nearly doubles our rental assistance resources, keeping tenants in their units and keeping landlords afloat,” Mayor Joe Hogsett said in a statement. Go to indyrent.org to apply for rent assistance.



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EDITORIAL

Life expectancy for Black residents falls short

By OSEYE BOYD



Where you live in Indianapolis shouldn't make a difference on how long you live. But it does. Just a few minutes or miles can make a huge difference on the number of years you walk this Earth. An article in this week's edition highlights an Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health and SAVI study on life expectancy in the Indianapolis metro area.

As you probably already guessed, the news isn't great for predominately Black, low-income neighborhoods. The news is rarely great for predominately Black, low-income neighborhoods. Lead researcher Tess Weathers summed it up perfectly, "The gap in life expectancy is just the final manifestation in a series of gaps during living years."

Indeed. We know there are myriad issues affecting the residents of low-income Black neighborhoods. Many exist because of low income. Poverty and racism are at the root of so many issues affecting quality of life for Black residents, so it makes sense life expectancy is diminished as well.

The 46218 ZIP code has the lowest life expectancy in the metro area of 68 years. That ZIP code is home to Martindale-Brightwood and the Recorder. When you're young, anything past 50 is ancient, so there was a time when I thought 68 was old. I don't any-

more. Growing up, I remember many adults started dying in their 40s, or they became ill with chronic conditions. Making it to your 60s seemed like a big deal. Living until your 70s or even 80s were extra blessings. I knew how you lived played a role in your quality of life, but I didn't realize many factors were outside of one's control.

Now, compare 46218 to 46037 in Fishers where the life expectancy is 84.4 years. What's the difference? Money. Access. Education. I could go on.

Black people deal with inequities in health care, food access, environmental issues, education attainment and the list goes on and on. The stress of being Black in the United States of America will get you one way or another.

What burns my britches, to quote a phrase my grandmother used, is Black people are often blamed for our predicament. There's this belief of a pathology to Blackness and we don't want to achieve, we don't want success and we don't want happy, fulfilling lives. We want those things, and the majority of us are working hard to attain those things, but the deck is stacked against us and has been since forever.

We didn't create poor neighborhoods. They were created for us. We didn't create our lack of generational wealth. It happened because we were shut out of economic opportunities. Our mistrust for institutions such as government or health care didn't come out of thin air. It happened because those institutions failed us multiple times. And to top it off, we pay the ultimate price by dying sooner.

As I've said before on this page, but it bears repeat-

ing because undoubtedly someone reading this will run down the list of all the self-inflicted harm Black people cause, calling out inequity doesn't negate personal responsibility. Two things can be true. I can believe we're owed reparations and believe I should work every day. Recognizing a historical distrust of the medical industry doesn't mean I think one shouldn't go to a doctor. Instead, you find a doctor you can trust. Of course, people must take responsibility and accountability for their actions and their choices. And I know there are some people who will never take accountability or responsibility. I'm not talking about them. Too many of us want to focus on the negative minority instead of the positive majority and this dictates our outlook. We must quit this silliness in our discourse.

I find it interesting that ZIP codes with high infant and maternal mortality rates also have a low life expectancy. Black people in general aren't living as long as our counterparts. We shouldn't shrug our shoulders and blame them. We should instead ask "How did we get here?" and "What can we do to improve it?" What does Indianapolis need to do to create a better quality of life for all residents and in turn a longer life expectancy? It will take a concerted effort to look at the problem holistically — not piecemeal a program here, a program there.

Hopefully, this study is the foundation we need to make meaningful change from the cradle to the grave for Black residents of Indianapolis.

OPINIONS

The African American Legacy Fund of Indianapolis

By LARRY SMITH



My first column in August was an homage to Black Philanthropy Month. I received a lot of feedback from people who had never heard of this culturally significant annual

celebration, which signaled to me that I needed to share at least one practical way in which people might get involved. Though this week's column appears a couple days into September, I thought it fitting to close out last month by highlighting the work of the African American Legacy Fund of Indianapolis (AALFI).

AALFI is what is known as a donor-advised fund (DAF). A donor-advised fund is a philanthropic tool that an individual (or group of people) creates to support one or more IRS-designated nonprofit organizations. AALFI is housed at the Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF), which is a major philanthropic organization that

is based in Indianapolis. Kiahna Davis, who is a successful local entrepreneur, serves as AALFI's inaugural president. (In the spirit of full disclosure, I serve as AALFI's donor engagement chair. I also work for the Hamilton County Community Foundation, which is an affiliate of CICF.)

AALFI was conceived by a group of African Americans who wanted to expand their involvement in philanthropy in a more formal and structured way. They also wanted to encourage collective action across the spectrum of Indianapolis' Black community — not just with the middle and upper classes. Their lofty aspiration led to serious discussions. Those discussions matured into a proposal. That proposal evolved into an entity that now boasts roughly 80 founding members who have raised more than \$300,000. (That amount does not include the recent \$150,000 Season for Sharing partnership in which AALFI engaged with the Indy-Star, its readers and the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust.)

AALFI has been working diligently to build its operational structure. The organization's goal is to begin award-

ing grants every August via its Giving Circle Fund. In addition to monetary donations, AALFI prides itself on volunteerism. (The organization has no employees.) Volunteers may serve on one or more of six committees: Communications, Community Engagement, Donor Engagement, Finance, Grants and Membership.

In my earlier column, I referred to the fact that African Americans give the highest percentage of their disposable income to philanthropy of any racial group in the country. We do so in large measure due to our religious faith, but also from a shared commitment to "uplift the race." While churches still tend to be the primary beneficiaries of our giving, our philanthropic modes of expression are very broad, including education, poverty reduction, crime prevention, youth engagement and myriad other worthy causes.

In the words of Ms. Davis: "Black people must continue to do what we've always done, which is to dedicate our time, talent, treasure, and testimony to the uplift of our people. Research confirms that African Americans are the most philanthropic group of people in

our nation. Let's continue in this legacy and do our part to promote philanthropy and harness African Americans' collective power to impact our community positively."

As I referenced above, AALFI currently has more than 80 founding members, with a goal to reach 100. To become a member, or to donate or volunteer without becoming a member, simply visit CICF's website. (Please note that one is not required to become a founding member in order to get involved.)

While there are many legitimate reasons to be concerned about the mental, physical, economic and spiritual health of the African American community — locally and nationally — it is equally important to pause and remember that we have overcome a great deal. We heartily celebrate those victories, even as we recognize that we still must lift as we climb. I readily acknowledge that I'm biased, but AALFI offers an exceptional way in which to meet that goal.

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Building communities around recovery and reentry

By GINA FEARS



PACE Inc. is honored to once again host, celebrate and share information with the Indianapolis community through multiple activities that will happen during National Recovery Month.

"Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those in recovery, just as we celebrate improvements made

by those who are managing other health conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma and heart disease. Each September, Recovery Month works to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and community members across the nation who make recovery in all its forms pos-

sible." Faces and Voices of Recovery

At PACE (Public Advocates in Community Re-entry), we have the honor of assisting individuals and their families that have been or are currently engaged with the justice system. The individuals we serve are looking for support in becoming productive members of society and/or support with learning to live a life without chaotic substance use. We also acknowledge that those suffering from substance use disorder are often criminalized instead of receiving treatment.

The theme for this year's recovery month is "Recovery is for Everyone, every Individual, every Family, every Community." We at PACE believe this is true and so we offer an opportunity to individuals, families and the community to learn, change and celebrate the smallest of change.

Realizing that reentry and recovery are many times synonymous, we continue to advocate for a community that is open to and willing to receive those that desire a second chance at reaching their potential. SAMHSA defines recovery as "a process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential." Recovery includes the four dimensions of home, health, purpose and community.

Examination and exploration of health and purpose may be individual experiences, where home and community are almost always inclusive of others. If the latter two are components of holistic recovery, it is imperative that we build our communities to be a part of reentry and recovery. This means that the too often barriers of safe and secure housing, transportation and employment must be a concern addressed by the community. Disparities in access to treatment and recovery supports must also be addressed by communities as well. Funding for and service delivery should be culturally responsive to all and supplied by true peers. This has proven to produce greater success for those seeking recovery and to be-

come a part of communities without laboring under dehumanizing stigmas and labels.

Worth including in this call to action is the fact that BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and people of color) have been experiencing overdoses and overdose fatalities at an alarming rate and COVID was not a friend to this increase. Michigan State University School of Public Health reports, "Since the introduction of fentanyl in 2013, African Americans are experiencing significant increases of 250% or more in opioid-involved overdose deaths in the states of New Jersey, Indiana, Michigan, Maryland, and Florida." In 2020, overdose deaths involving opioids and stimulants are largely the result of the co-use of opioids and stimulants, not use of street drugs that contain mixtures of opioids and stimulants. Fentanyl is not commonly mixed into cocaine or methamphetamine but has recently been used instead of these substances. Heroin was almost always mixed with fentanyl. This certainly offers some explanation for the increase in opioid related death amongst African American men.

PACE, through our Recovery Resource Center, is committed to be a part of the solution by offering harm reduction resources in hopes of saving lives. One cannot seek recovery if they are not kept alive. PACE has become a naloxone distribution site on the east side of Marion County and is the home of a Nalox-Box. This is the work that PACE is honored to contribute to help in building communities for reentry and recovery. We further hope our work in the recovery space leads to increased substance use treatment made available in BIPOC communities.

Please join PACE and our many community partners to educate and celebrate reentry and recovery through many activities during the month of September. Events details are listed in this issue.

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100 Black Men of Indianapolis names new executive director

By BREANNA COOPER
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When 100 Black Men of Indianapolis asked William Durham Jr. to speak about education to a group of young men about 10 years ago, it sparked his interest in the nonprofit and inspired him to start volunteering.

“It’s a ministry,” Durham, associate pastor at Christ Church Apostolic, said. “It’s fulfilling my purpose for being on this Earth, and that is to help youth and mentor youth and make sure that they have a pathway for success.”

After a decade of volunteering — as well as 20 years of experience in the nonprofit sector — Durham was named executive director of 100 Black Men of Indianapolis.

Founded in 1984, 100 Black Men of Indianapolis pairs school-aged boys with mentors to focus on education and leadership development. In his first year as executive director, Durham hopes to expand the program and sign up more volunteers. His extensive resume, which includes a Master of Public Administration in nonprofit management, will help him get the job done, he said.

But, it all starts with the children. “My experiences will benefit me because they give me insight into how the not-for-profit world works,” Durham said. “And working in education and with the Center for Leadership Development gives me insight to our youth, and we’re going to be sure that their needs are at the forefront of everything we do. ... My experience, married with my ability to connect with you and connect with shareholders within the



William Durham Jr. community places me at the right place at the right time to lead this organization.”

His biggest goal for the organization is to make it more relevant to teenagers today. If the programs offered aren’t relevant, he said, it’s doing the students a disservice. Durham wants to place an emphasis on financial literacy, health and wellness and pathways to success that don’t include college.

Andre Givens, president and CEO of 100 Black Men, said Durham’s background will benefit the organization and, by extension, Indianapolis.

“We are excited to have William Durham join our organization and look forward to William applying his previous knowledge, experience and expertise to assist the 100 Black Men of Indianapolis Inc. as we continue the impact in our community,” Givens said.

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Martin University hires executive director of NCREI

Martin University announced Davyd Hall will be the school’s executive director for the National Center for Racial Equity and Inclusion (NCREI).

“We welcome Davyd Hall and look forward to him using his talents and expertise to make our new NCREI a national program,” Martin University President Sean Huddleston said in a statement.

Hall previously served as director of the Unity Center at Marian University.



Davyd Hall

ESKENAZI HEALTH HELPS LOCAL COMMUNITY BATTLE FOOD INSECURITIES



Over time the health care community as a whole has reached the conclusion that health outcomes and disparities, more often than not, are driven by social determinants of health much more often than just by medical care.

Social determinants of health include social, economic, physical, or other conditions where people live, learn, work, and play that influence their health. Poverty and food insecurity also join that list and are associated with some of the most serious and costly health problems in the nation.

Maintaining good health, placing importance on consuming a nutritious diet, managing an existing chronic disease, or any combination of those factors can provide a difficult challenge for those struggling with poverty or food insecurity for a variety of reasons, including limited finances and resources, competing priorities and stress.

Food insecurity is strongly associated with poor nutrition and is linked to negative impact on health across one’s lifespan. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) defines food insecurity as a lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life. It is important to know that though hunger and food insecurity are closely related, they are distinctly different concepts. Hunger refers to a personal, physical sensation of discomfort, while food insecurity refers to a lack of available financial resources for food.

Eskenazi Health is working to make an impact on the lives of Hoosiers through not only meeting medical needs, but also their health needs as a whole. In July of 2020, Eskenazi Health partnered with Gleaners Food Bank to create a network of distribution locations and deliveries to provide food to populations in need in our community.

Free food boxes are available inside the Ingram Micro Mobility Marketplace on the second floor of the Sidney & Lois Eskenazi Hospital. The food boxes can be picked up any time during operating hours.

Free food is also still available for anyone struggling with food insecurity on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please feel free to stop by the drive-through food pantries set up at following two locations:

The eastside location at Avondale Meadows YMCA located at 3908 Meadows Dr. will be open from 12 – 2 p.m. on Wednesdays through the end of August.

The drive-through food pantry at Eskenazi Health Center West 38th Street located at 5515 W. 38th St. is open from 1 – 3 p.m. on Fridays.

The food pantries are open to all to visit weekly with no identification required.

At Eskenazi Health, we believe food is medicine, and our staff of highly trained nutritionists offer free classes in proper nutrition at various Eskenazi Health locations to help individuals learn to eat healthy and avoid harmful medical conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure. For more information, visit: <https://www.eskenazihealth.edu/programs/nutrition-education>.

Robert Gonzalez, M.D.
Pediatrician with Eskenazi Health

by Kara Kavensky

Whitney Harden was born in the Highland Park neighborhood in inner city Detroit. Her dad was an accountant and he had an old school laptop in the 90s. This is where Whitney’s interest in computers began. In elementary school, Whitney was the only student in the Computer Club. She made fliers in a basic graphic design program, as there were not a lot of options.

When Whitney was 14, she moved with her mom to Gary, where she attended Wirt High School. She had interests in marketing, business, and technology and had a lot of great teachers. At Wirt HS, the Business Club was really popular, at at that time, there typical “exec board” type roles. A special role of “Marketing Secretary” was created for Whitney, since her interests didn’t necessary fit into the traditional positions offered.

Track and field was Whitney’s main sport and after graduating from high school, she ran track at Manchester University, where she majored in athletic training. Initially, Whitney wanted to be a doctor, then changed to Physical Therapy, but soon realized that she did not want to have a career in athletics. It was her junior year when she had changed her mind, but she decided to finish her course, as it seemed daunting to switch up direction at this point.

Whitney worked hard to become an academic advisor, adding an additional course work and commuted from Gary to South Bend three days a week for a job as an advisor. This position transferred her to Indianapolis, where she continued to enjoy being a mentor to others.

“While I enjoyed mentorship immensely, I am a problem solver and analyzer. I missed doing math and technical stuff,” says Whitney. She took the very career assessments that she encouraged her students to take



and “technology” propagated to the top of her personal list.

Whitney looked into coding classes and tried out several online options and learned enough to begin consulting on websites. She became quite busy with this side hustle and put out something on LinkedIn and a Marketing Director at a financial firm offered Whitney a position as a web developer. She accepted the position, but two months later, the firm restructured the marketing department and Whitney lost her job. A LinkedIn recruiter reached out to Whitney and she was placed with an IT consulting firm.

Eleven Fifty Academy had been on Whitney’s radar for a couple years. She really wanted to attend the immersive coding bootcamp but cost seemed like a barrier. Besides, as a single mom with an eleven year old son, she couldn’t just give up her job. Then the pandemic hit and she was let go. Whitney’s mom sent her some information on the CARES Act fund-

ing available to Eleven Fifty Academy students and Whitney was enrolled into the UX | UI (user experience, user interface) course within a week.

During a breakout session in the UX | UI course, Whitney spoke with an instructor for the web development course and she got really excited about web dev. Whitney spoke with Senior Admissions Advisor Alex Volyk who helped get her enrolled in the immersive 12-week web dev course.

Whitney had tried the UX | UI first because she had done some grad work at DePauw Univeristy and was familiar with it and wanted to further explore the concepts. She was already experienced with a little knowledge of this area and wanted to sharpen some of her skills. Whitney enjoyed the structure of the course and the guest speakers, which enabled the students to engage with companies. She learned new design skills, which helped give her some great ideas for her career path.

“The web dev course was great and

my ‘imposter syndrome’ diminished during the course after seeing that everyone else was at the same level. I gained more confidence,” says Whitney, who is now earning \$20k more than she did before attending Eleven Fifty Academy. “Eleven Fifty helped me to fill in so many gaps, I did not realize just how much I would learn, and on the first day, I knew it was going to be worthwhile.”

The web developer course helped Whitney explore opportunities to be a designer and a developer. She is now a Campaign Operations Associate with Wunderkind.

“The tech industry is a gold mine that people may not understand,” says Whitney. “Speaking the language of coding is such a valuable skill and being in the Black community, there are many people who are unaware of this. If they just knew how much it [accelerating to a career in tech] could boost their salary and change their lives very quickly — tech can be a game changer.”

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State mask bans face federal civil rights inquiries

By COLLIN BINKLEY
AP Education Writer

The Education Department on Aug. 30 opened civil rights investigations into five Republican-led states that have banned or limited mask requirements in schools, saying the policies could amount to discrimination against students with disabilities or health conditions.

The department's Office for Civil Rights announced the investigations in letters to education chiefs in Iowa, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Utah. Those states have issued varying prohibitions on mask requirements, which the office says could prevent some students from safely attending school.

Education Secretary Miguel Cardona accused the states of "putting politics over the health and education of the students they took an oath to serve." "The department will fight to protect every student's right to access in-person learning safely," Cardona said in a statement.

It marks a sharp escalation in the Biden administration's battle with Republican states that say mask-wearing should be a personal choice.

A state law in Iowa forbids school boards from mandating mask wearing. In Tennessee, school mask mandates are permitted, but a recent executive order from Gov. Bill Lee allows families to opt out of them.

Those policies conflict with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which recommends universal mask wearing for students and teachers in the classroom. The CDC issued the guidance in light of the rapid spread of the highly contagious delta variant of COVID-19.

In announcing the investigations, the department said it will examine whether the policies violate a federal law protecting students with disabilities. Under that law, students with disabilities must be given access to a "free appropriate public education" alongside their peers without disabilities.

But states that outlaw mask mandates could be preventing schools from taking necessary steps to protect students with disabilities or medical conditions, the department said.

In its letters, the department said it's concerned that the states "may be preventing schools from making individualized assessments about mask use so that students with disabilities can attend school



and participate in school activities in person."

Education Department investigations often end with voluntary agreements that remedy alleged violations. But if the agency concludes that states violated civil rights laws, it could issue sanctions as severe as a loss of federal education funding.

The inquiries were launched at the department's discretion and not in response to complaints from parents. But Cardona said he has heard from families who are concerned that state mask policies could put their children at risk.

Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds said individuals should be trusted to make the best decisions for themselves. "Iowa was able to reopen schools safely and responsibly over a year ago. President Biden and his team know this, yet they've decided to pick a political fight with a handful of governors to distract from his own failures," Reynolds said in a statement.

In South Carolina, the state's top education official has clashed with the governor over mask policies. A statement from the state education agency said Superintendent Molly Spearman has "repeatedly implored" lawmakers to reconsider their ban on mask mandates.

Some other states previously outlawed mask mandates, but the policies were overturned by courts or are not being enforced, including in Florida, Texas, Arkansas and Arizona. The Education Department has not opened investigations in those states but said it is watching closely and is prepared to take action.

States including California, New York and Louisiana have issued statewide mask requirements inside schools, while Texas, Florida and others moved to prevent schools from requiring masks.

In Florida, which had taken one of the toughest stances against mask mandates, a judge ruled that schools are legally allowed to require masks. The judge overturned an order from Gov. Ron DeSantis that had barred such mandates, ruling that it was unconstitutional and cannot be enforced.



Health & Wellness Day at Phillips Temple CME

Phillips Temple CME Church held its Health & Wellness Day recently at the church. The event included COVID-19 testing and vaccinations, voter registration, a blood drive, hygiene bags and other giveaways. (Photos/Curtis Guynn)



Kimberly Walker, coordinator for the day, shows Regina Gibson, fellow church member, some of the giveaway items.



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Vaccinations have a positive impact on the health of infants and children. Families need to stay on track for routine childhood checkups and vaccinations, especially during COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommend children continue to attend well-child appointments and receive recommended vaccinations during the pandemic.

As the school year begins for all ages, including college students, following the recommended childhood immunization schedule vaccination is even more urgent to help provide immunity against potentially life-threatening diseases.

Doctors can safely see children, even during the pandemic. Medical offices and local health departments are taking steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and can make sure children are receiving the vaccines they need to prevent outbreaks of infectious diseases.

The Marion County Public Health Department encourages everyone to remind loved ones and community members to schedule routine well-child visits and vaccinations.

The health department offers low-cost vaccines for children through its district health offices and the ACTION Health Center. More information is available by calling the Immunization Program at (317) 221-2122 or visiting [MarionHealth.org](https://www.marionhealth.org). Vaccinations are available by appointment. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is approved for ages 12 and older, and is available at no cost. Vaccination locations in Indiana are listed at [OurShot.IN.gov](https://www.ourshot.in.gov).

Families who need help paying for childhood vaccines can also ask a healthcare provider about the Vaccines for Children program. For help in finding a local healthcare professional who participates in the VFC program, parents can visit www.cdc.gov/features/vfcprogram.

"Now is the time for our community to spread the word and tell people how important it is for children to be vaccinated," said Virginia A. Caine, M.D., director and chief medical officer of the Marion County Public Health Department. "It is important to follow the recommended immunization schedule to protect infants and children by providing immunity early in life, before they encounter potentially life-threatening diseases."

Protecting babies from whooping cough and flu begins before a baby is born. All pregnant women are recommended to receive the whooping cough vaccine (Tdap) and inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV) during each pregnancy.

Vaccine-preventable diseases continue to circulate around the world, so vaccination is necessary to protect everyone from potential outbreaks. Even when diseases are rare in the U.S., they can still be common in many parts of the world and unvaccinated individuals can bring them to this country, putting other unvaccinated people at risk.

Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death. They protect entire communities by preventing and reducing the spread of infectious diseases.

Families, healthcare professionals, and public health officials must work together to help protect the entire community. Healthcare professionals remain parents' most trusted source of information about vaccines for their children. They play a critical role in supporting parents in understanding and choosing vaccinations.

The U.S. has the safest vaccine supply in its history. As new information and science become available, vaccine recommendations are updated and improved.

For more information about vaccines, please visit [CDC.gov/vaccines/](https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/) parents, or call the Marion County Public Health Department's Immunization Program at 317-221-2122.

Generation to Generation (G2G) Conference

Several local pastors gathered to discuss the role of the Black church in Indianapolis during “Council of Elders: State of the Black Church and its Role Today” during the Generation to Generation (G2G) Conference at Scott United Methodist Church.



Rev. Lionel Rush, president, Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, was a presenter during the panel discussion.



Pastor James C. Anyike, Scott United Methodist Church, was a presenter during the panel discussion.



Moderator: University UMC Rev. John C. Russell

Leaders of Black-led institutions convened to discuss issues affecting the Black community in Indianapolis and possible solutions during the Black Leadership Roundtable. (Photos/Curtis Guynn)



Eunice Trotter, event coordinator for the G2G Conference.



Mark Russell, director of Advocacy & Family Services, Indianapolis Urban League



Abdul-Hakim Shabazz, attorney, political columnist and publisher, served as moderator.

Ken Allen, vice chair, Indianapolis Commission on African American Males

Court upholds death sentence for church shooter Dylann Roof

By MEG KINNARD and DENISE LAVOIE
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court Aug. 25 upheld Dylann Roof’s conviction and death sentence for the 2015 racist slayings of nine members of a Black South Carolina congregation, saying the legal record cannot even capture the “full horror” of what he did.

A unanimous three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond rejected arguments that the young white man should have been ruled incompetent to stand trial in the shootings at Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston.

In 2017, Roof became the first person in the U.S. sentenced to death for a federal hate crime. Authorities have said Roof opened fire during the closing prayer of a Bible study at the church, raining down dozens of bullets on those assembled. He was 21 at the time.

In his appeal, Roof’s attorneys argued that he was wrongly allowed to represent himself during sentencing, a critical phase of his trial. Roof successfully prevented jurors from hearing evidence about his mental health, “under the delusion,” his attorneys argued, that “he would be rescued from prison by white-nationalists — but only, bizarrely, if he kept his mental impairments out of the public record.”

Roof’s lawyers said his convictions and death sentence should be vacated or his case should be sent back to court for a “proper competency evaluation.”

The 4th Circuit found that the trial judge did not commit an error when he found Roof was competent to stand trial and issued a scathing rebuke of Roof’s crimes.

“Dylann Roof murdered African Americans at their church, during their Bible-study and



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worship. They had welcomed him. He slaughtered them. He did so with the express intent of terrorizing not just his immediate victims at the historically important Mother Emanuel Church, but as many similar people as would hear of the mass murder,” the panel wrote in its ruling.

One of Roof’s attorneys,

Margaret Alice-Anne Farrand, a deputy federal public defender, declined to comment on the ruling. Roof’s other attorneys did not immediately respond to emailed requests seeking comment.

The Rev. Kylon Middleton, a close friend of Mother Emanuel Pastor Clementa Pinckney, a state senator who was killed

in the massacre, said Roof’s appeal reopened some of the psychological wounds felt by loved ones of the victims and survivors. Middleton said he is personally opposed to the death penalty, but had accepted that as the sentence Roof received.

“We just want whatever the consequence or the justice that

had been delivered based on the court’s ruling to be final, period,” Middleton said.

Following his federal trial, Roof was given nine consecutive life sentences after pleading guilty in 2017 to state murder charges, leaving him to await execution in a federal prison and sparing his victims and their families the burden of a second trial.

Last month, however, Attorney General Merrick Garland issued a moratorium and halted all federal executions while the Justice Department conducts a review of its execution policies and procedures. The review comes after a historic run of capital punishment at the end of the Trump administration, which carried out 13 executions in six months. A federal lawsuit has also been filed over the execution protocols — including the risk of pain and suffering associated with the use of pentobarbital, the drug used for lethal injection.

President Joe Biden as a candidate said he’d work to end federal executions. White House press secretary Jen Psaki said in March that he continues to have “grave concerns” about it.


Biden has connections to the case. As vice president, Biden attended the funeral for one of those slain, state Sen. Clementa Pinckney, who also pastored the congregation. During his 2020 presidential campaign, Biden frequently referenced the shooting, saying that a visit to Mother Emanuel helped him heal in the aftermath of the death of his son, Beau.

Roof’s attorneys could ask the full 4th Circuit to reconsider the panel’s ruling. If unsuccessful in his direct appeal, Roof could file what’s known as a 2255 appeal, or a request that the trial court review the constitutionality of his conviction and sentence. He could also petition the U.S. Supreme Court or seek a presidential pardon.

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

Dry, not dead

By RAE KARIM



We often find excitement in the revival of the bones found in Ezekiel 37:1-10. Yet I want to look at the text of verse 4 a little closer. It says: *“Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, ‘O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!’”* After bringing Ezekiel to the valley of dry bones, the Lord asked Zeke, “Can these bones live?” Ezekiel gave the expected spiritual answer: “Lord, You know.” I believe if he gave an honest human answer — “I don’t know” — God still would have moved. Whether we say yes, no or maybe so, God’s will will be done, with or without us. How do you answer God when presented with questions of restoration and transformation, especially in an unfamiliar situation?



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Walking through a valley of dry bones was an unfamiliar situation for Zeke. Still, after he answered the Lord, he was instructed to prophesy to the bones. Wait, what? Yep, you heard correctly. Ezekiel was instructed to prophesy to the bones. There had to have been some part of the bones with enough awareness to receive and comprehend the word of the Lord. They were dry, not dead.

This is the place of a closer look at verse 4, that can be correlated to plant life. Lots of people have become plant enthusiasts. When a plant is droopy or dry, the plant is not deemed dead. They simply act accordingly by watering it. Some people also talk to their plants, telling them they were glad about their growth and congratulating them when they have plant babies. The plant enthusiasts in my family are good at that. They speak life into their plants because they are dry, not dead. They speak life because they know the power of words.

Do you realize the power of your words? Proverbs 18:21 tells us death and life are in the power of the tongue. That’s why we have to be quick to hear and slow to speak. Our responsibility is to do like Zeke did and speak life!

Oh, the irony that the bones couldn’t hear. But

because they were dry, not dead, they could respond to the word of life that went forth from God through the prophet. What word and whose voice have you been responding to?

Yes, we are almost in the final quarter of the year, but you can still speak and respond to life. You don’t have to give up on that dream or opportunity, that relationship, business or the heart desire only you and God know about. Just because it hasn’t been realized doesn’t mean you count it out.


It’s dry, not dead.

I ask you like God asked Zeke: Can that dream live? Can that opportunity live? Can that business live? Can that relationship live? Can that heart desire live? Be audacious in your answer and by faith declare: Yes it can. It may be barely hanging on, but there is more. There is more power and more purpose. It’s dry, not dead. Speak life and give it a chance! Give you a chance! Give God a chance!

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Half of US workers favor employee shot mandate: AP-NORC poll

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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Half of American workers are in favor of vaccine requirements at their workplaces, according to a new poll, at a time when such mandates gain traction following the federal government's full approval of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine.

The poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research shows that about 59% of remote workers favor vaccine requirements in their own workplaces, compared with 47% of those who are currently working in person. About one-quarter of workers — in person and remote — are opposed.

The sentiment is similar for workplace mask mandates, with 50% of Americans working in person favoring them and 29% opposed, while 59% of remote workers are in favor.

About 6 in 10 college graduates, who are more likely to have jobs that can be done remotely, support both mask and vaccine mandates at their workplaces, compared with about 4 in 10 workers without college degrees.

Christopher Messick, an electrical engineer who is mostly working from home in Brunswick, Maryland, said he wrote to his company's human resources department to ask that employees be required to get vaccinated before they are recalled to the office.

Messick, who is vaccinated, said he doesn't just worry about his own health. He said he also doesn't want to worry about getting a breakthrough infection that could land an unvaccinated co-worker in the hospital.

"I don't want sit an office for eight hours a day with someone who is not vaccinated," said Messick, 41. "The people who are anti-vax, I see them as selfish."

So far, many vaccine requirements are coming from private companies with employees who have mostly been able to work from home during the pandemic. The companies, including major tech companies and investment banks, have workforces that are already largely vaccinated and consider the requirement a key step toward



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eventually reopening offices. Goldman Sachs recently joined that trend, telling employees in a memo that anyone who enters its U.S. offices must be fully vaccinated starting Sept. 7.

In contrast, few companies that rely on hourly service workers have imposed vaccine mandates because the companies are concerned about losing staff at a time of acute labor shortages and turnover. Exceptions include food processing giant Tyson Foods and Walt Disney World, which reached a deal this week with its unions to require all workers at its theme park in Orlando, Florida, to be vaccinated.

The AP-NORC poll was conducted before the FDA granted full approval of Pfizer's vaccine, which some experts and employers are hoping will persuade more people to get the shot and support mandates.

Drugstore chain CVS said this week that pharmacists, nurses and other workers who have contact with patients will have to be inoculated, but the company stopped short of requiring the vaccine for other employees such as cashiers.

The AP-NORC poll showed high support for vaccine mandates among those who say they work in person in a health care setting, with 70% approving of vaccine requirements at their

workplace.

The poll also showed divisions along racial lines.

Seventy-three percent of Black workers and 59% of Hispanic workers — who are more likely than white workers to work in front-line jobs — support mask mandates at their workplaces, compared with 42% of white workers. In addition, 53% of Black and Hispanic workers support vaccine mandates at their workplaces, as do 44% of white workers.

Despite mixed support for mandates among in-person employees, 71% of those workers said they themselves are vaccinated.

Mike Rodriguez, a maintenance worker at an auto dealership in Florida, said he got the vaccine in the spring after a diabetes diagnosis gave him a sense of urgency. But he said he leans against supporting a vaccine mandate at his job and does not mind that masks are not required.

"I don't like being told what to do. Never have," said Rodriguez, 54. "I'm going to wear mine no matter what. Just like whenever I go into a store. That's my choice."

Many large retailers, grocery store chains, food manufacturers and other companies have aggressively encouraged vaccinations with bonuses, time

off, information campaigns and on-site vaccination access.

Janet Haynes of Topeka, Kansas, an education consultant who works part time as a package handler at a warehouse, said she struggled in March to get an appointment, putting herself on various waiting lists before she finally got a call. Now that vaccines are widely available, Haynes said she is frustrated with people who are reluctant to get them and she would support a requirement at her warehouse, where she dodges co-workers who flout a mask rule.

"We get so hung up on democracy and freedom, but the reality is that your freedom can't exist at the expense of someone else's loss," said Haynes, adding that she recently had a breakthrough case of COVID-19 and credits the vaccine for her swift recovery. "We are not going to be free until we get vaccinated."

The AP-NORC poll of 1,729 adults was conducted Aug. 12-16 using a sample drawn from NORC's probability-based AmeriSpeak Panel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 3.2 percentage points.

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Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC)

Invitation for Bid (IFB) 21-05-385 Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Construction Project
IndyGo is seeking bids from qualified Contractors for construction services needed to support the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo) Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project. The Purple Line project includes construction of 18 new stations, new exclusive bus lanes, separated storm sewer, sidewalks and paths, pavement resurfacing, traffic signals, and drainage improvements. The scope of work assumes a 29-month construction duration and up to two bid packages for construction.

Solicitation Release September 10, 2021
Pre-Bid Meeting (Site Location below) September 16, 2021 at 2:00pm

Virtual Teams Meeting / Please request hyperlink via procurement@indygo.net
On-Site at Ivy Tech in Lawrence 9301 E. 59th. St. Indianapolis, IN. 46216

Questions Due /Round 1 September 23, 2021 by 4:00pm (EST).

Answers Posted /Round 1 September 30, 2021 (Posted on IndyGoWebsite)

Questions Due /Round 2 October 7, 2021 by 4:00pm (EST).

Answers Posted/Round 2 October 14, 2021 (Posted on IndyGo Website)

Bids Due October 28, 2021 at 2:00pm (EST) / See Bidding documents.

Bid Opening October 28, 2021 at 2:30pm (EST) Teams Public Meeting.

IPTC Board Meeting December 2, 2021 at 5:00pm / Public Meeting.

Note: It is mandatory to execute NDA (Non-Disclosure Agreement) to bid on this project!

No late Bids accepted, and proposals must be hard copies.

To access Solicitation / Bid Documents please email request to Dave Adamson@dadamson@indygo.net, at that time bidding documents will be emailed, also available on IndyGo website: <https://www.indygo.net/procurement/bid-opportunities/>

Confirmation via return email requested. Please provide proof of publication with invoice. This ad should be standard legal ad size in black ink only. No color (s).

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE BOONE SUPERIOR COURT)

SS: COUNTY OF BOONE) ESTATE DOCKET; IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED)

ESTATE OF LORI DATHER,) DECEASED.) NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that WHITNEY COKER was on August 5, 2021,

appointed as Personal Representative of THE ESTATE OF LORI DATHER, deceased, who died on the APRIL 23, 2021.

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 , Indiana, this August 5, 2021

Jessica J. Fouts
BOONE County Superior Court

Attorney for Personal Representative
Doris Brauman Moore
Brauman Moore & Harvey Law Offices

128 East Main Street
Brownsburg, Indiana 46112

Telephone: 317-858-5000
Fax: 317-858-5009
Attorney Number: 21958-32

5320-927292 09/03/21, 09/10/21, 09/17/21

(Public Notice)
NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Notice is hereby given that a public review and comment period will be held between August 30, 2021, and October 15, 2021, for the new 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Public comments on these items must be received by 5 p.m. ET on October 15, 2021, sent to Jen Higginbotham at Jen.Higginbotham@IndyMPO.org, or by mail to 200 East Washington Street, Suite 2322, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204.

Notice is hereby given that during the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Policy Committee meeting on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 9 a.m. ET at Horner Park Community Center, 5245 Horner Ave, Beech Grove, IN 46107, a public hearing will be held for approval of the 2050 MTP. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and speak during the public hearing. Members of the public who do not wish to attend in person may submit comments in advance to be read aloud during the public hearing by the deadlines above and to the individuals above. This facility is accessible by transit; visit www.IndyGo.net to plan your trip. The meeting may also be viewed live on YouTube at www.indympo.org/youtube. For those without internet access, listen to the meeting by calling 312-626-6799; use Meeting ID 894 6572 7244

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STATE OF INDIANA) MARION CIRCUIT COURT)

SS: COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NUMBER 49C01-2108-MI-027305

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF:)

ROGER DALE COX) PUBLISHED NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME

Roger Dale Cox, whose mailing address is 8121 Xenia Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46227,

Marion County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that he has filed a petition in the Marion County

Court requesting that his name be changed from Roger Dale Cox to Roger Dale Jackson so that he may use the name Roger Dale Jackson from here forth.

Notice is further given that a hearing will be held on said Petition on November 19, 2021 at 9:00 AM. This matter will be heard remotely/virtually, and the Court issues a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing.

Date: August 26, 2021
Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion County 5320-927294

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LEGAL SERVICES CLASSIFIED

signed NDA form.

Solicitation Documents are expected to be available in September 2021.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Milestone Contractors, L.P. (a general contractor) An Equal Opportunity Employer is seeking Certified MBE/WBE/VBE/DOBE owned business bids for City of Indianapolis project ST-20-103 Concrete Pavement Rehabilitation Area No. 1, this project bids on September 16, 2021. Subcontracting opportunities available are construction engineering, landscaping/erosion control, pavement markings, excavation, pavement removal, storm sewer, waterline, construction signs, electrical work, curbs/side-walks, raised-pavement-markers, pavement milling and hauling. Certified MBE/WBE/VBE/DOBE business parties should contact Todd Kirk (317) 616-4910 to discuss subcontracting opportunities. All bids must be submitted to Indquotes@milestonelp.com on or before September 15, 2021, by 12:00 (noon). Plans are available for viewing at Milestone Contractors, L.P., 7661 N Perimeter Road, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46241 or plans may be purchased at Repro Graphics, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN. 5320-927152

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Calling for new projects, the Indianapolis Continuum of Care (CoC) seeks new permanent housing and services projects for homeless persons in Marion County. A Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at <https://www.indyccoc.org/funding/coc-program/how-to-apply>.

Nonprofit, public housing authorities, and units of local governments are eligible to apply. The process for CoC funding is competitive, and we are not currently funding new transitional housing only projects through this process.

Responses are due by 11:59 PM on Friday, September 17, 2021. More information? Contact: information@indyccoc.org or call 317-472-7633

5320-927401

09/03/21

PUBLIC NOTICE AND DEED:

please be advised, By Tiarra-Lashay Thomas, Appointed: GRANTEE-EX-ECTRI-OR-BENEFICIARY-Name Holder, Holder/ Name POWER OF ATTORNEY IN FACT, of-a: Chief Executive Private office: C/O 2840 North Priscilla Avenue, Indianapolis Indiana. [46218]-3341 USA. (IS) doing business as TIARRA LASHAY THOMAS, registered to do business in all States of The United States of America, right of claim filed with the Minnesota Secretary of State Office, Statutes, Chapter 333, work item # 12435000022. Filed 07/12/2021 11:59PM, out of: THIS REGISTERED USPS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: C/O TIARRA LASHAY THOMAS- 2840 NORTH PRISCILLA AVENUE, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46218-3341 USA. NOTICE: FOR THIS ADDRESS-AND-MAIL BOX, BELONGS TO THE UNITED STATES POST OFFICE, AND IS NOT ATTACHED TO ANY CLAIMED, PRIVATE-TANGIBLE-PROPERTY, NO TRESPASSING POSTED, THE NATURE OF THR BUSINESS (IS) COMMERCE.

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Legal Notice

STATE OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE TO BIDDERS ON BEHALF OF: Indiana Department of Correction SOLICITATION FOR: Career Technical Education Services; RFP-22-68692

PROPOSAL DUE DATE: September 23, 2021 by 3:00 PM ET

https://fs.gmis.in.gov/psc/guest/SUPPLIER/ERP/c/NUI_FRAMEWORK.PT_LANDINGPAGE.GBL

5320-927188

09/03/21

FLAHERTY & COLLINS

CONSTRUCTION has a potential opportunity for businesses and residents who qualify as Section 3 individuals or business concerns, to perform the following work at the Parkside at Tarkington construction site, located at 3901 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46208. Available work includes general labor, construction cleaning, and miscellaneous selective demolition. In order to qualify, applicants must be available to work Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., must be a resident of the Indianapolis-Carmel metro area, and have their own means of arriving at the site. Employees are required to wear hard hats, safety glasses, and boots at the job site.

The intent of Section 3 is to provide job training and employment opportunities to local, low-income residents and businesses, should training or openings become available during the project. These opportunities are available at the Parkside at Tarkington project as certain Federal funding has been awarded to the project. If you are interested in and qualified for these potential opportunities, or have any questions, please contact Rene Hart at (317) 313-0962 or parkside@flico.com.

Flaherty & Collins Construction

One Indiana Square #3000 Indianapolis, IN 46204

5320-927185

09/03/21

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Trustees of Purdue University will receive sealed bids for the following project until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on the 7th day of October, 2021, in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

1. West Lafayette Campus – Niswonger Building Window Replacement - 2021

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud in the offices of Capital Asset Management, 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100, West Lafayette, IN 47906.

Bids received after such

time will be returned unopened. Bids may be withdrawn prior to such time, but no bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days thereafter.

The Principal Subcontractor Questionnaire listing the names of the bidder's principal subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid. The remainder of the questionnaires and Material Lists shall be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. (EDT) on the 14th day of October 2021, to: Capital Asset Management 2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100

West Lafayette, IN 47906
Phone (765) 494-0580
Bids shall be for complete construction only, properly executed and submitted on Form 96, accompanied by executed Form 96A (as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts) giving financial data as recent as possible, and a Non-Collusion Affidavit together with other documents as required by the Instructions to Bidders and addressed to The Trustees of Purdue University, clearly marked with the project and the bid opening date.

Each bid must be accompanied by the Contractor's written plan for a program to test the contractor's employees for drugs in accordance with IC 4-13-18.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Contractor's Combination Bid Bond and Bond for Construction in the form included in the specifications made payable to The Trustees of Purdue University in an amount equal to the maximum total of the base bid and any alternate bids, guaranteeing the execution and faithful performance of the contract for the work if awarded.

The Instructions to Bidders contained in the specifications for the projects are by this reference made a part hereof, and all bidders shall be deemed advised of the provisions thereof, and of the General Conditions of the contract, specifications, plans and drawings for the project.

A voluntary pre-bid meeting for Project No. 1 will be held on September 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in the Niswonger Building (NISW), located at 1401 Aviation Dr., West Lafayette, IN 47907. Please meet inside the west entrance.

The architectural/engineering firm for this project is: Project No. 1 MSKTD & Associates

1715 Magnovox Way
Fort Wayne, IN 46804
Phone (260) 432-9337

To view or obtain bid documents online:

Repro Graphix Inc.
437 N. Illinois St
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Web: PurdueUPlanroom.com

Phone: 1-800-718-0035
Email: ePlanroom@Reprographix.com

A \$300 deposit will be required for each hardcopy set of bidding documents. One compact disk or download is available at no charge. Postage and handling fee may apply.

All orders must be placed online but bidders may choose to pick up orders at:

Purdue Print & Digital Services delivered by Xerox:
698 Ahlers Drive
West Lafayette, IN 47907
Phone: 765-494-2006

Bidding Documents are on file in the office of:

Senior Vice President for Administrative Operations
2550 Northwestern Avenue, Suite 1100
West Lafayette, IN 47906
Phone (765) 494-0580

The Board of Trustees of The Trustees of Purdue University reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive, to the extent permitted by law, any of the terms, conditions and provisions contained in this Advertisement for Bids or the Instructions to Bidders or any informality, irregularity or omission in any bid, provided that such waiver shall, in the discretion of the Board of Trustees, be to the advantage of The Trustees of Purdue University.

THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY
By
James K. Keefe
Senior Director of Capital Asset Management
Date: 8/17/21
5320-926315

09/03/21,
09/17/21

STATE OF INDIANA

ELKHART SUPERIOR COURT 3

) SS: COUNTY OF ELKHART

CASE NO.: 20003-2108-AD-000063

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF ISAIAH MATHEW PARSON,

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION Brooke A. Harvey is notified that a petition for adoption of a child, named Isaiah Mathew Parson, born to Brooke A. Harvey on April 15, 2005, was filed in the office of the clerk of Elkhart Superior Court 11, 101 N. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526. The petition for adoption alleges that the consent to adoption of Brooke A. Harvey is not required because she has failed, for over one year, without justifiable cause, to communicate significantly with the child when able to do so, failure to support the child, and because she is unfit to be a parent.

If Brooke A. Harvey seeks to contest the adoption of the child, Brooke A. Harvey must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC 31-19-10 in the above named court not later than thirty (30) days after the date of service of this notice.

If Brooke A. Harvey does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice the above named court will hear and determine the petition for adoption. The consent to adoption of Isaiah Mathew Parson will be irrevocably implied and Brooke A. Harvey will lose the right to contest either the adoption or the validity of Brooke A. Harvey's implied consent to the adoption.

No statement made to Brooke A. Harvey relieves Brooke A. Harvey of Brooke A. Harvey's obligations under this notice.

This notice complies with IC 31-19-4.5-3 but does not exhaustively set forth a person's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult

the Indiana adoption statutes. Date: 8/9/2021
Clerk, Elkhart Superior Court No. 3
5320-926318

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09/03/21,
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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

) SS: PATERNITY DIVISION

COUNTY OF MARION) CAUSE NO.: 49C01-0908-JP-039634

49C01-0607-JP-030396

IN RE: THE PATERNITY OF:

ALEXIS KANTNER, MADISYN KANTNER, AMANDA MORRIS, Petitioner, and JARED KANTNER, Respondent.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

PUBLISHED NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that A Petition to Terminate Parenting Time or in the Alternate Supervised Parenting Time was filed by Respondent Jared Kantner in the Marion Circuit Court on November 11, 2020. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing scheduled on said petition scheduled for October 13, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. and to file objections.

Hearing will be virtual. Go to www.webex.com to enter your meeting number and password to join by video or use the toll-free number 1-844-992-4726 to join by phone.

Meeting number (access code): 179 977 2500
Meeting Password: ctQa-tbb4235 (from video) and 28728424 (from phones)

The following manner of service of Summons is hereby designated: BY PUBLICATION, TO BE PUBLISHED BY THREE (3) CONSECUTIVE WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS IN THE INDIANAPOLIS RECORDER.

Respectfully submitted, PRITZKE & DAVIS, LLP. Dated: August 10, 2021 BY: /s/ Edward L. Walter Party Seeking Service: Edward L. Walter, Attorney PRITZKE & DAVIS, LLP 728 North State Street Greenwood, Indiana 46140 (317) 462-3434 (317) 462-3494 (fax) 5320-926321

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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

) COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49C01-2104-MI-011863

IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME OF:

SCOTT ALLEN, Petitioner.

ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, SCOTT ALLEN, as a self-represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition FOR CHANGE OF NAME, to change the Petitioner's name from:

SCOTT ALLEN to SCOTT BRYANT

The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on October 19, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report for hearing, as follows:

THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD REMOTELY, and the Court will issue a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing

Date
Clerk of Marion Circuit Court

So Ordered: July 13, 2021 /s/ Susan Boatright Magistrate, Marion Circuit Court

5320-926314

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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

) COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49C01-2105-MI-017401

IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME:

JOSEPH POWELL REDD, Petitioner.

ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Joseph P. Redd, as a self-represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change name from Joseph Powell Redd to Joseph P. Redd. The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on November 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. This hearing will be in the Marion County Circuit Court, 200 E. Washington Street, City County Building, Room W506, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. This hearing will be held remotely by WebEx. A separate WebEx invitation will be sent with instructions to join the hearing.

Date
Clerk of Marion Circuit Court

So Ordered: August 5, 2021 /s/ Karen Springer, Senior Judge

Marion Circuit Court
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF MARION) CASE NO. 49C01-2105-MI-017143

IN RE: THE CHANGE OF NAME:

JOSEPH POWELL REDD, Petitioner.

ORDER RESETTING HEARING FOR NAME CHANGE

The Court set the verified Petition of name change of JOSEPH POWELL REDD on August 3, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. Publication needs to run in a newspaper of general circulation. Therefore, the Court resets the hearing to November 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The Petition for Name Change will be held by remote video on WebEx.

This hearing will be held virtually.

Use the information below to join through www.webex.com and selecting "Join a Meeting" or by using the toll-free number to call in.

Meeting number (access code): 173 867 9021
Meeting password: cqn-6f9p8b53 (27663772 from phones)

Join by phone: 1-844-992-4726 -- toll free
Dated: August 5, 2021 /s/ Karen Springer, Senior Judge

Marion Circuit Court
Distribution:
All parties of record.
5320-926265

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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

) SS: COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49C01-2108-MI-026389

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Etta James Williams, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Etta James Williams, whose mailing address is 6653 Sundown Dr. N, Indianapolis, IN 46254-4366, and, if different, my residence address is:

In Marion County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Etta James Williams has filed a petition in the Marion County Court requesting that her name be changed to Etta James Williams.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on November 12, 2021, at 9 a.m.

Etta James Williams, Petitioner.
5320-926308

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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

) SS: COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49C01-2108-MI-026389

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF:

Etta James Williams, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Etta James Williams, whose mailing address is 6653 Sundown Dr. N, Indianapolis, IN 46254-4366, and, if different, my residence address is:

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Etta James Williams, Petitioner.
5320-926308

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SUMMONS -- SERVICE

BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT

) COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49D02-1912-MF-051181

Clerk

Marion Superior Court
200 E. Washington Street,
Room W122
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 327-4740

NEWREZ LLC/F/K/A NEW PENN FINANCIAL, L.P. DBA SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING

Plaintiff
Vs.
GREGORY L. HARRIS; DIANNA L. HARRIS; INDIANA HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

AUTHORITY: STATE OF INDIANA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; ADDISON CREEK;

MED-1 SOLUTIONS, LLC AS AGENT FOR COLLECTION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK; COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK INC.; SHERI D. MOORE; STATEWIDE CREDIT ASSOCIATION; MY OAKLAND WOODS, INC.; HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; FWE, LLC; STATE OF INDIANA; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;

Defendant
NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Defendant above named and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court against you is:

Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate against the property described in Exhibit B of the Complaint as set out below:

Legal Description:
LOT 15 OF OAKLAND WOODS, SECTION ONE, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 23, 1994, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 94-148128, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

More commonly known as 12221 Tallowtree Cofll, Indianapolis, IN 46236

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant whose whereabouts is unknown: SHERI D. MOORE; GREGORY L. HARRIS; DIANNA L. HARRIS; MED-1 SOLUTIONS, LLC AS AGENT FOR COLLECTION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK; COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK BY MEDSHIELD, INC.; SHERI D. MOORE; STATEWIDE CREDIT ASSOCIATION; MY OAKLAND WOODS, INC.; HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; FWE, LLC;

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant whose whereabouts is unknown: SHERI D. MOORE; GREGORY L. HARRIS; DIANNA L. HARRIS; MED-1 SOLUTIONS, LLC AS AGENT FOR COLLECTION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK; COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK BY MEDSHIELD, INC.; SHERI D. MOORE; STATEWIDE CREDIT ASSOCIATION; MY OAKLAND WOODS, INC.; HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; FWE, LLC;

If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded by the plaintiff.

/s/ Andrew L. Kraemer
Attorney No. 14872071
Andrew L. Kraemer
Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC
500 West Lincoln Highway,
Suite J
Merrillville, IN 46410
Ph. (312) 541-9711
8/12/2021

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
NOTICE
JOHNSON, BLUMBERG ASSOCIATES, LLC IS DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 4

) SS: COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO.: 49D04-2106-CT-020839

JACQUELINE JARRETT, Plaintiff,

v.

JACQUELINE ROBIN-

SON,

Defendant.
SUMMONS - SERVICE BY PUBLICATION - NOTICE OF SUIT

1. Jacqueline Robinson has been sued in the Court identified above.

2. This notice is being directed to Defendant, Jacqueline Robinson, whose whereabouts are currently unknown, and any other individuals who may have an interest in the lawsuit captioned Jacqueline Jarrett v. Jacqueline Robinson, Cause No. 49D04-2106-CT-020839, in the Marion County Superior Court Civil Division 4.

3. A Complaint for Damages was filed on June 18, 2021, by Plaintiff, Jacqueline Jarrett, against Defendant, Jacqueline Robinson. Defendant's negligence directly and proximately

caused a collision that occurred on August 10, 2019, in Marion County, Indiana, and resulted in the Plaintiff sustaining injuries of a personal and pecuniary nature.

4. Jacqueline Robinson, you must respond to the Complaint, in writing, within thirty (30) days after the last notice of the action is published. To Wit: Schiller Law Offices, LLC, 210 East Main Street, Carmel, IN 46032. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be entered

against you for the relief demanded in Plaintiff's Complaint for Damages.

Date
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Court 4
5320-926289

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MDK # 20-003872

STATE OF INDIANA

IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT #5

) SS: COUNTY OF MARION

CASE NO. 49D05-2002-MF-006323

PHH Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. Paula Brooks, AKA Paula T. Brooks, et al. Defendants.

LEGAL S L E G A L S C L A S S I F I E D

Court
So Ordered: August 3, 2021
/s/ Susan Boatright
Magistrate, Marion Circuit Court
5320-925890
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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF MARION
CASE NUMBER: 49C01-2105-MI-015081
IN RE: THE CHANGE OF

NAME OF:
BROOKS EDWARD VERNON,
Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Notice is hereby given that Petitioner, Brooks Edward Vernon, by counsel, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name from Brooks Edward Vernon to Buddy Vernon.

The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion County Circuit Court on October 26, 2021, at 2 p.m., which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. The parties shall report for hearing to:

The hearing will be held virtually. Use the information below to join through www.webex.com and selecting "Join a Meeting" or by using the toll-free number to call in. Meeting number (access code): 173 867 9021. Meeting password: cqN6tqPb853 (27663772 from phones). Join by phone: 1-844-992-4726 toll-free.

7/21/2021 /s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Date Clerk of Marion Circuit Court
5320-926003

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF MARION
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2107-MI-024695

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR:
Alexander Timothy Jordan Woods

Name of Minor
Michaela Woods
Petitioner

ORDER SETTING HEARING

Comes now Michaela Woods, pro se, having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor, and the Court finds that the matter should be set for hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter shall be heard on October 26, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

This matter will be heard remotely/virtually, and the Court will issue a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing.

So ORDERED July 26, 2021.

This hearing will be held virtually. Use the information below to join through www.webex.com and selecting "Join a Meeting" or by using the toll-free number to call in. Meeting number (access code): 173 867 9021. Meeting password: CqN6tqPb853 (27663772 from phones). Join by phone: 1-844-992-4726 -- toll free

/s/ Susan Boatright
Judicial Officer
Distribution:
Michaela Woods
623 N. Dearborn St.
Indianapolis, IN 46201
5320-926090

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF MARION
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2107-MI-024706

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF MINOR:
Gwenevieve Antoinette Jordan Woods

Name of Minor
Michaela Woods
Petitioner

ORDER SETTING HEARING

Comes now Michaela Woods, pro se, having filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name of Minor, and the Court finds that the matter should be set for hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this matter shall be heard on October 26, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

This matter will be heard remotely/virtually, and the Court will issue a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing.

So ORDERED July 26, 2021.

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Join by phone: 1-844-992-4726 -- toll free
/s/ Susan Boatright
Judicial Officer
Distribution:
Michaela Woods
623 N. Dearborn St.
Indianapolis, IN 46201
5320-926089

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

() SS: CIVIL DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO: 49C01-2108-MI-026316

IN RE: THE NAME CHANGE OF:
KELSEY NICOLE GREEN,
PETITIONER

NOTICE AND ORDER SETTING HEARING

Notice is hereby given to the Petitioner, Kelsey Nicole Green, who filed her Verified Petition for a Name Change on August 4, 2021, to change Petitioner's name from Kelsey Nicole Green to Kelsey Nicole Spencer.

The Court now sets this matter for a hearing on November 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. This hearing will be held virtually. Use the information below to join through www.webex.com and selecting "Join a Meeting" or by using the toll-free number to call in. Meeting number (access

code): 173 867 9021
Meeting password: cqN6tqPb853 (27663772 from phones)

Join by phone 1-844-992-4726 -- toll free
The Petition is scheduled for a hearing on the afore-referenced date, which is more than 30 days after the last date of publication in the newspaper of general circulation.

Any party or agency has the right to appear at the hearing, and file written objections to the Petition on or before the hearing date.

This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court issues a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing. SO ORDERED August 10, 2021

/s/ Susan Boatright
Magistrate, Marion Circuit Court

Distribution:
Attorney Yetunde Okunade Aird
For Petitioner Kelsey Green

(317) 447-7253
5320-926146

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT

COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2108-PL-026705

MERCEDES O. PEÑA
RIVERA DE MATUTE
Plaintiff,

v.
FIRST FRANKLIN A DIVISION OF NAT. CITY BANK OF IN,

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, MARION COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, and unknown husbands,

wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors,

administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships,

partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors, corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiff,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.

The nature of the suit against you is:

Complaint to Quiet Title to the following Real Estate in Marion County, Indiana, to-wit:

LOTS NUMBERED 276 AND 277 IN FIFTH EDGEWOOD ADDITION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 21, PAGE 160, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA, EXCEPT THAT PART CONVEYED IN A DEED DATED AUGUST 11, 1964 AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 11, 1964 AS INSTRUMENT #64-46633, MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

FIFTY (50) FEET BY PARALLEL LINES OFF THE ENTIRE EAST SIDE OF LOT 277 IN "FIFTH EDGEWOOD ADDITION," AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 21, PAGE 160, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.

ALSO, 25 FEET TAKEN BY PARALLEL LINES EAST OF AND ADJACENT TO LOT 277 HEREIN, BEING THE WEST HALF OF HARLAN STREET, VACATED.

Commonly known as: 2127 E. Dudley Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46227

To the following Defendants whose whereabouts are not known: FIRST FRANKLIN A DIVISION OF NAT. CITY BANK OF IN, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, MARION COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, the unknown husbands, wives, widows, widowers, surviving spouses, heirs, legatees, devisees, grantees, children, descendants, mortgagees, creditors, administrators, executors, trustees, receivers, guardians, successors, assigns, if deceased, of all persons above named, all persons, associations, partnerships, partners, trustees, assigns, representatives, successors, corporations, or claimants, who assert any title to claim upon or interest in the real estate herein described, all women once known by any of the names or designations above stated, whose names may have been changed and the names of all the spouses of persons above named; described and designated as defendants to this action who are married and whose names are unknown to Plaintiff, in addition to the above named defendants being served by this summons there may be other defendants who have an interest in this law suit. If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer.

You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, on or before thirty (30) days after the Third Published Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment will be entered against you for what the plaintiff has demanded.

The Name and Address of the Attorney Representing the Plaintiff is:

Kathleen S. Crebo
HOCKER LAW LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
6626 E. 75th St., Suite 410
Indianapolis, IN 46250
T: (317) 578-1630
F: (317) 849-1892
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Kathleen S. Crebo
#29876-49 Hocker & Associates, LLC
5320-926050

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IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL DIVISION

STATE OF INDIANA
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF
SANDEEP KAUR
PETITIONER, CAUSE NO.
49D16-2108-DN-006697

and
NARENDER SINGH
Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Respondent named above, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is: PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE.

This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following Respondent whose whereabouts are unknown: Narender Singh

In addition to the above-named Respondent being served by this summons there may be other Respondents who have an interest in this lawsuit.

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Marion County Court

By Jatin D. Shah
Attorney for Petitioner
Jatin D. Shah #14699-49
Attorney for Petitioner
8520 Allison Pointe Blvd
Suite 220
Indianapolis, IN 46250
(317) 713-2928
5320-925893

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN SHELBY SUPERIOR COURT 1

() SS:
COUNTY OF SHELBY)
CAUSE NO. 73D01-2105-AD-000011

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF HARMONY F. WICKS, A MINOR

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Tori Sue Colleen Wicks, whose whereabouts are unknown, is notified that a petition for adoption of a

child, named Harmony F. Wicks, born on May 5, 2014, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Shelby Superior Court 1, Courthouse, 407 S. Harrison Street, P.O. Box 198, Shelbyville, IN 46176, under Case No. 73D01-2105-AD-000011. The petition for adoption alleges that the consent to the adoption of Harmony F. Wicks is not required because she has failed to communicate significantly with the Child for at least one year, has failed to provide for the care and support of the Child for at least one year, and the best interests of the child would be served if the court dispenses with her consent.

If Tori Sue Colleen Wicks seeks to contest the adoption of the child, Tori Sue Colleen Wicks must file a motion to contest the adoption in accordance with IC 31-19-10-1 in the above-named court not later than thirty (30) days after service of this notice.

If Tori Sue Colleen Wicks does not file a motion to contest the adoption within thirty (30) days after service of this notice, the above-named court will hear and determine the petition for adoption. The consent to adoption of Harmony F. Wicks will be irrevocably implied and Tori Sue Colleen Wicks will lose the right to contest either the adoption or the validity of Tori Sue Colleen Wicks' implied consent to the adoption.

No oral statement made to Tori Sue Colleen Wicks relieves Tori Sue Colleen Wicks of Tori Sue Colleen Wicks' obligations under this notice.

This notice complies with IC 31-4.5-3 but does not exhaustively set forth a person's legal obligations under the Indiana adoption statutes. A person being served with this notice should consult the Indiana adoption statutes.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Jill Taylor
Jill Taylor
Clerk of Shelby County, Indiana

Courthouse
407 S. Harrison Street
P.O. Box 198
Shelbyville, IN 46176

Telephone: (317) 604-5531
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Email: amanda@blackletterlaw.com
5320-926136

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IN THE MARION COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF:

SELINE MICHELLE CABRERA-MIRALRRI, BY NEXT FRIEND OSCAR CABRERA CONSEPCION MIRALRRI-VELAZQUEZ

TO CHANGE NAME TO: SELINE MICHELLE CABRERA MIRALRIO VERIFIED PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME REQUEST FOR A HEARING

AND A SPANISH LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

Comes now, Seline Michelle Cabrera-Miralrrio, (hereinafter "Petitioner") by next friend, in person and by counsel, being duly sworn upon her oath, and in support of her Verified Petition for Change of Name would respectfully show the court the following:

1. Petitioner, Seline Michelle Cabrera-Miralrrio (hereinafter "Petitioner") was born at St. Vincent Women's Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 18, 2008, and was named Seline Michelle Cabrera-Miralrio.

2. That Oscar Cabrera Fajardo is the child's natural Father, (hereinafter "Father").

3. That Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez is the child's natural Mother (hereinafter "Mother").

4. The Petitioner is a bonafide resident of Marion County, Indianapolis, Indiana, and who resides at 8635 Chipping Court, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46268.

5. Petitioner hereby petitions the Court pursuant to I.C. 34-28-2-1 to have her birth certificate reflect her true and legal name.

6. The reason for requesting the change of name of Seline Michelle Cabrera Miralrio is that:

6.1 That Father's true and legal name is Oscar Cabrera Fajardo (without hyphenation).

6.2 That Mother's true and legal name is Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez (without hyphenation).

7. That the parties desire the change of name to reflect Mother and Father's surname without hyphenation and without misspellings to correct the vital record provided to the minor child, which misspells Mother's last name to read Miralrio.

8. That the birth certificate lists Mother as Maria C. Miralrio Velazquez and should read Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez her true and legal name.

9. That the Petitioner petitions this Court to have her name changed on her birth certificate to Seline Michelle Cabrera Miralrio pursuant to Indiana Code 34-4-6-1.

10. That the purpose of the Petition is not to cheat or defraud creditors or others and Petitioner has not had a felony conviction in the last 10 years.

WHEREFORE your Petitioner prays to this Court that the Petition for Change of name be approved and that this Court enter a decree changing Petitioner's name from Seline Michelle Cabrera-Miralrrio to Seline Michelle Cabrera Miralrio.

WHEREFOR your Petitioner prays to this Court that the Petition for Change of name be approved and that this Court enter a decree changing Petitioner's Mother's name from Maria C. Miralrio Velazquez to Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez.

Respectfully Submitted, /s/ Oscar Cabrera Fajardo /s/ Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez

VERIFICATION
I hereby affirm under the penalties of perjury that the statements made herein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Oscar Cabrera Fajardo /s/ Maria Concepcion Miralrio Velazquez

Certificate of Service
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
/s/: Patricia L. Rios, attorney
24503-49
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Community-led actions are addressing environmental challenges in near northwest Indy

By JULIE L. RHODES

Looking at old redlining maps serves as a modern indicator of environmental challenges facing Indianapolis neighborhoods. From air and water pollution to contamination of soils to fewer carbon-trapping trees, one area that was redlined in the past is using that information to develop the Community-Led Environmental Action Plan (C-LEAP) in near northwest neighborhoods along Central Canal waterway, including the Riverside neighborhood.

Redlining, as defined in the Fair Housing Act, is the practice of denying a creditworthy applicant a loan for housing in a certain neighborhood even though the applicant may otherwise be eligible for the loan. The term refers to the presumed practice of mortgage lenders drawing red lines around portions of a map to indicate areas or neighborhoods in which they do not want to make loans and was historically done on a racial basis and is illegal and discriminatory.

C-LEAP emerged in 2018 by local groups Groundwork Indy (GWI), The Learning Tree (TLT) and ROW's Central Canal Waterway Committee, with community members, to raise awareness around and think about solutions to a variety of environmental justice challenges that face residents, and especially the elderly, children and other vulnerable neighbors. Initially, small efforts were undertaken — a Community Fishing Day was held to celebrate those who fish, to teach about fishing and to educate about water pollution that impacts whether fish from local waterways are safe to eat. Additional efforts around water quality, water safety and stormwater runoff pollution were also targeted as opportunities for the future, as were air quality, soil and brownfields/vacant properties issues.

GWI pursued grants on behalf of the group to develop a holistic approach to identifying, prioritizing and addressing the neighborhood concerns. Central Indiana Community Foundation provided support for community outreach and engagement, which is starting with holding six small-group porch parties to engage more community members and to begin funding some action items. A U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant soon followed to allow that input to inform a technical assistance and action plan.

There was a growing awareness and concern over lead contamination of



Groundwork Indy reps meet with near northeast area residents at summer porch parties to get feedback about environmental justice concerns. (Photos provided by ROW)

drinking water because of the lead pipes that were used to convey water to homes built before 1986. Working alongside an IUPUI-supported effort to test tap water in homes with home test kits, the community is employing “citizen science” to put information in the hands of those who are most impacted — the homeowner or renter. About 70 home test kits have been distributed by Groundwork Indy and are being collected in Indy’s near northwest. But, replacing lead pipes is expensive and presents a barrier for many in the community to solving the problem.

“One goal of the Community-Led Environmental Action Planning is to find affordable, short term solutions to problems the community identifies,” said Phyllis Boyd, executive director of Groundwork Indy. “We are working to build capacity in the community, having folks who are interested in plugging in on these issues and putting the priorities and the solutions in the hands of the residents.”

Because lead is so toxic and can lead to learning disabilities and other health problems for children especially, the C-LEAP wanted to offer early action. To purchase end-of-pipe, faucet-mounted lead removal filters, ROW’s Central Canal Committee has secured funding from Central Indiana-based NuGenesis Environmental Services Inc. The company has committed



to providing \$19,000 over the coming year to bring immediate resolution to the lead in drinking water problem facing residents.

Dozens of near northwest residents are helping identify and find solutions to environmental issues created from historical, racially driven policies in lending, investment and development. Today, residents can engage at porch parties now or look for a community summit later this year to create long-term solutions led by the community.

To learn more or get engaged with this important community-led effort, contact Phyllis Boyd at phyllis@groundworkindy.org or 317-737-2810. To learn more about ROW’s Central Canal Waterway Committee or other waterway efforts, contact info@ourwaterways.org.

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Indianapolis group wants sections of I-65, I-70 underground

By KAYLA DWYER
The Indianapolis Star

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The construction of Indianapolis’ “Inner Loop” of Interstates 65 and 70 displaced 17,000 residents and demolished 8,000 buildings, The Indianapolis Star reported when the final leg was completed in October 1975. It tore apart once-vibrant historically Black neighborhoods like Babe Denny.

With this history in mind, a coalition of business and community leaders are gathering public support for a different design for the interstates — before the Indiana Department of Transportation has even conceived of a plan for rebuilding or repairs.

Rethink Coalition Inc, in partnership with the Indy Chamber, put together a \$2.8 billion proposal to rebuild the highways partially underground, which the researchers say would physically connect communities, and save far more room for economic development and green space.

Rethink, formerly Rethink 65/70, has made the pitch before. In late 2018, after INDOT announced its plan to rebuild just the northeast corner of the loop, dubbed the North Split, the coalition commissioned engineering firm Arup to come up with a proposal for what it then called “depressed” highways. Then as now, INDOT did not have plans for capital projects beyond the \$320 million North Split reconstruction.

This time, they teamed up with the Chamber to secure grant funding from the Lilly Endowment and commission a more expansive study from Arup, complete with price tags. Rethink also became a registered nonprofit earlier this year. “We started out more of a protest group,” said

CEO Brenda Freije. “We’re really now trying to be collaborative leaders and facilitators of conversation.”

The same concept by a new name, the idea behind “recessed” highways is to demolish the elevated highways and rebuild them partially underground, consolidating ramps and replacing distributor roads with multi-modal boulevards, for example, to include biking and walking lanes. City streets or even parks can extend over the interstates, thereby connecting neighborhoods by foot.

The study, called the Inner Loop Visionary Study, identifies six areas of the loop for potential work. In total, Arup estimates the recessed highways’ smaller footprint could open up 68 acres of land for parks, commercial development or pedestrian travel.

The proposal takes inspiration from similar projects in Denver, Cincinnati and Dallas.

Arup estimates such a rebuild would cost about \$2.8 billion, compared to \$2.3 billion for rebuilding the interstates as is. But through the potential redevelopment of opened up space, the study estimates the redesign could generate tens of millions in new annual property taxes and more than \$2 billion in real estate investment.

The north and south legs and southern portion of the east leg have had rehabilitation work done in the last decade to extend their life, INDOT regional spokesperson Mallory Duncan said. INDOT will do maintenance work as needed but does not have plans for any section of the loop besides the North Split, she said.

That’s why the coalition and chamber are talking about this now, Freije said, rather than reacting to an already baked plan, which is what happened in 2018.

“The intent of this is to be very much in the front,” she said.

In 2018, INDOT did adjust its plans in response to pushback. Rather than adding lanes, widening shoulders and building retaining walls up to 33 feet, INDOT chose a plan that condensed the interchange’s current footprint. And while it was too late in the process to make the fundamental changes Rethink wanted, INDOT also agreed to design the interchange in a way that does not prevent future design changes to other parts of the highway.

The organizations have identified 18 stakeholder groups among the public but are still figuring out how they will solicit feedback. They envision a rebuild like this to take about 15 years, taking a segmented approach, said Kevin Osburn, an urban designer with Rundell Ernstberger and a member of the coalition.

The groups acknowledge that this kind of work may not be taken up for another decade or longer.

“We know at some point you’re gonna have to address these,” said Mark Fisher, chief policy officer at Indy Chamber. “When you do, let’s not just do the same old thing. Let’s think about how to enhance quality of life, rectify some of the racial injustices of the past.”

Duncan called the Inner Loop Visionary Study “thoughtful” and “forward-looking,” noting it’s still very preliminary.

“As with any effort to redesign and reconstruct major infrastructure, much additional planning, public involvement, impact review, and engineering development would need to be done before INDOT could react to factors such as design, cost and feasibility,” she said.



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Robin Miller was special, and then some

By **DANNY BRIDGES**

Ask anyone who follows motor-sports who Robin Miller was and what he was about and you'll get various answers.

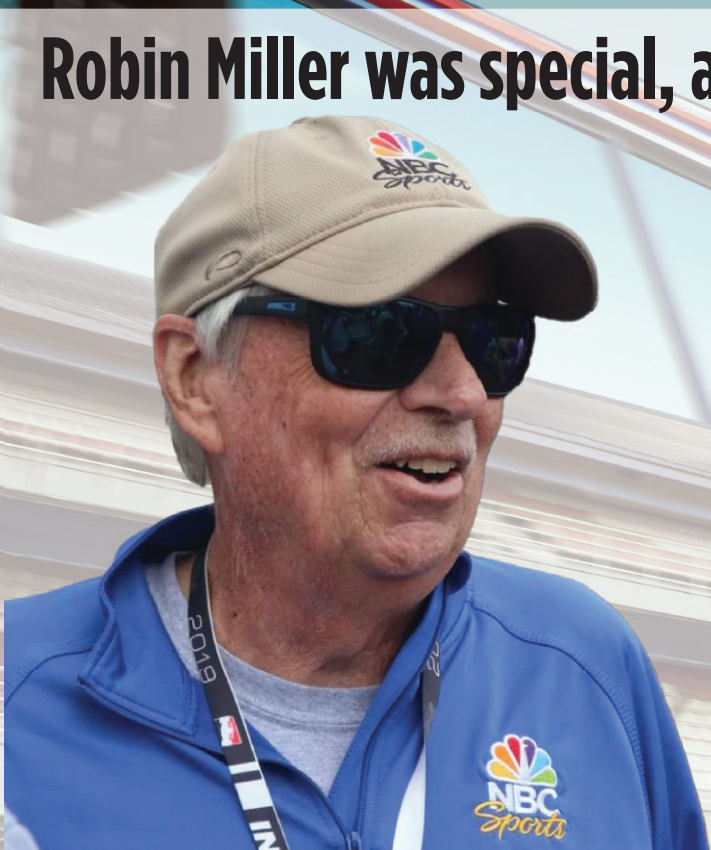
The majority of folks would say he was a lightning rod journalist who had a knack for telling you how things were in the world of open-wheel racing and especially the happenings at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, which was clearly his professional haven.

While he was cantankerous and blunt, there was a side of him that was compassionate as well as generous, and I've decided to attempt to chronicle those aspects of his life as opposed to paying tribute to his phenomenal career as a writer and television personality.

In the interest of full disclosure, while we were friends, I wasn't a member of his tight inner circle and as a result, there are other people who may be better suited to discuss some of the things I will attempt to explain accurately and with a touch of humor that even Miller himself might approve of, despite the fact he never wanted any limelight for the many things he did to help others less fortunate or, in my case, less experienced.

There was the Miller who gave countless dollars to retired race drivers who had fallen on bad times. From his own wallet to organizing fundraisers, his generosity had an impact on a large number of individuals.

I know for a fact he purchased



Robin Miller (Photo provided by NBC Sports)

groceries and paid utility bills for those he had frequented small tracks all over the United States with and never sought a dime in repayment.

It wasn't a loan, but rather an unconditional gift that was granted by an intensely private man who had a heart the size of a compact car but didn't want anyone to know it.

If I had a dollar for every time he picked up the check at one of his legendary group lunches he would arrange at Iaria's Italian Restaurant, I would be a wealthy man. "No, you're not paying for mine," he'd holler out as he reached for the tab. It was more than just a point of honor

for him and his way of saying he sincerely cared about you.

Then there's the Miller who felt an obligation to help those who came behind him who were attempting to write about IndyCar racing and of course the coveted Indianapolis 500.

He was always willing to explain anything from aerodynamics to his disdain for street courses, and just for good measure how NASCAR contributed to the ill-advised split that devastated Champ Cars in the mid-'90s.

If you wrote something that was inaccurate, he would tell you, but in a manner that was both thoughtful and helpful.

No, he didn't mince any words, but you knew he was serious if he asked if you a question about it. It was a rite of passage and certainly a badge of honor to be corrected by the man who could tell you what Jim Hurtubise's dog was named as he made sure you were willing to join him in the process of carrying the torch for the golden era of racing.

He was always concerned that what had made IndyCar so special would be lost on the next generation and determined to remind the entire free world of it.

Clearly, the month of May was his, and when he held court in the IMS media center, you listened. He represented everything that was great about the Indy 500, all the while fighting the changes made along the way to the event that he felt threatened the sacred history of it. All one needed to do is understand that the Mount Rushmore of racing was A.J. Foyt, Mario Andretti, Parnelli Jones and Dan Gurney, and you had a chance to garner Miller's time, but more importantly his respect.

We shared a propensity for handicapping and he loved to wager. His self-proclaimed title of degenerate gambler was too harsh in my opinion, but he certainly wasn't afraid to create multiple three-team parlays in one day. He once told me office pools and brackets during the NCAA Tournament were for chumps, and I can tell you he also threatened to choke anyone who bet on soccer.

I will always remember the Miller who phoned me and checked on me at a time when my health was threatened by both an oncology diagnosis and internal bleeding. He offered to help in any way possible, and I've never forgotten the genuine kindness he bestowed upon me at a time when I didn't know what was next in my life.

He also kept me on my toes about my wardrobe by asking me if Barry Manilow knew I had stolen the jacket from his Las Vegas show, and why I was wearing a sports jacket to the Indianapolis 500 to begin with. His razor-sharp wit cut quickly, and whenever he chose, and was accurate about 99% of the time.

The final time I saw him, the conversation was simple and poignant, with him telling me his life had been fulfilling and for me to continue to look in on a dear mutual friend we both care for. He smiled and said, "Dano, you're a good man." I told him thanks for everything he'd done for this Jimmy Olsen wannabe, and he said, "Jimmy was close friends with Superman and that ain't bad." Fitting words from a guy who was Superman to so many who followed his work, and those privileged enough to meet him. Rest easy, big guy.

Danny Bridges, who has never met anyone as interesting in his life as Robin Miller, and probably never will, can be reached at 317-370-8447 or at bridgeshd@aol.com.

Colts: Wentz, Kelly, Pascal on reserve/COVID-19 list

By **TYLER FENWICK**
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The Indianapolis Colts added three starters — quarterback Carson Wentz, wide receiver Zach Pascal and center Ryan Kelly — to the reserve/COVID-19 list Aug. 30.

The earliest players can return after going on the list is five days. That's if they haven't tested positive but were a close contact to someone who tested positive. Only unvaccinated players can be considered close contacts.

Unvaccinated players who test positive must isolate for 10 days.

The team didn't immediately say if Wentz, Pascal and Kelly are only close contacts or if they tested positive. Tom Pelissero with NFL Network

reported all three players were close contacts to a staff member who tested positive.

Wentz previously declined to say if he's vaccinated, calling it a personal decision. Backup quarterback Jacob Eason is fully vaccinated and will take the first-team reps with Wentz out.

The Colts have one of the lowest vaccination rates in the league. About 75% of the team has been vaccinated, head coach Frank Reich said.

The league has not mandated vaccines, but the incentive is clear: If a game is canceled because of a COVID-19 outbreak, and the game can't be rescheduled within the 18-week season, the team with the outbreak will be credited with a loss, and the

other team will get a win.

The Colts went 4-0 in the preseason and open the regular season Sept. 12 against Seattle.

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George Washington conquers Shortridge



George Washington senior Jaylen Grandberry leads the Continentals onto the field before their game against Shortridge on Aug. 27, 2021. George Washington won, 38-14.



George Washington junior Shamar Gammon nearly intercepts a pass. (Photos/Tyler Fenwick)

Shortridge senior quarterback Josiah Dukett breaks loose for a long touchdown run.

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Victoria Vivians tries to get around Jackie Young but to no avail. Fever 71 Ace's 87.

It was a battle in the paint Aces center Liz Cambage (6'8) going up against Teaira (6'7). Liz had 12 points and 9 reb's and Teaira had 12 points and 13 reb's.



Indy Eleven blank Monarchs, 2-0

Indy Eleven forward Nick Moon (17) makes the pass and gets the assist on the goal by Indy Eleven forward Manuel Arteaga (29)



Indy Eleven midfielder Neveal Hackshaw (15) battles with the Real Monarchs SLC defender in the corner

Indy Eleven forward Manuel Arteaga (29) and Real Monarchs SLC defender James Moberg (40) go for the header