



The Mapleton Tap

Tap into the latest community development news in Mapleton Fall Creek, Watson Park, Meridian Park, Crown Hill, Highland Vicinity, and Meridian Highland.

C.E.O.'S Corner

Dear Neighbors,

MFCDC is pleased to announce that the Mid-North community has been named the next recipient of the Lift Indy program. Lift Indy is a comprehensive community development program that promotes equitable neighborhood revitalization through affordable housing, economic development, and placemaking. Each year, the City of Indianapolis selects at least one strategic, focused area with market potential and makes a multi-year commitment of HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to achieve goals of the neighborhood's plan. MFCDC has set the intention to preserve the Mid-North as a diverse and inclusive community while real estate values accelerate and threaten displacement of low- to moderate-income (LMI) households. The Lift Indy investments catalyze the development of sustainable ways to help LMI residents benefit from the income diversity we hope to achieve. We are excited

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Mid-North Area Designated As Lift Indy Neighborhood



Friday morning Mayor Joe Hogsett, city officials, and community leaders announced the Mid-North area as the City's next recipient of the Lift Indy program, a comprehensive community development investment program aimed at propelling community investment in Indianapolis neighborhoods. Given the scale and complexity of the COVID crisis, as well as the rapid change in the real estate market, this application process focused on issues of building capacity within the community development system. MFCDC identified "Three Pillars to Thrive" to advance equity in our neighborhood: 1) Housing, 2) Food Access, and 3) Education. The projects include:

- **Central@29** will be developed by the Community Builders, in collaboration with Mapleton Fall Creek Development Corporation and Raphael Health Center, creating 56-unit integrated supportive housing development with units reserved for families and individuals experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness with supportive services, including comprehensive healthcare services.
- An **Early Childhood Education Center** will be developed by the Mapleton Fall Creek Development Corporation which will include new construction of a daycare facility and a scholarship fund for low-income families to access quality childcare.

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develop a grocery operation at 30 and 11th to promote equitable food access and transform local food systems.

- Mapleton Fall Creek Development Corporation will create an **Affordable Rental Housing Program** which will include 11 affordable units of scattered site new construction.

MF CDC's partners include The Community Builders, The Children's Museum, Early Learning Indiana, Midtown Indy, the Kheprw Institute, the Crown Hill Neighborhood Association, the Butler-Tarkington Neighborhood Association, North United Methodist Church, and Raphael Health Center. Read more about the Mid-North's Lift Indy project [here](#).

MF CDC Receives Grants From Fifth-Third Foundation and PNC Foundation for its OOR Program



MF CDC has received grants from the Fifth-Third Foundation and the PNC Foundation to support its Owner-Occupied Repair (OOR) Program. The OOR Program provides assistance to low- and moderate-income (LMI) homeowners to finance deferred maintenance repairs. Examples of eligible repairs include energy efficient retrofitting, roof repair, furnace and water heater replacement, and more. Assistance is available to qualifying LMI homeowners in MF CDC's catchment area. MF CDC is excited to partner with our generous sponsors to achieve greater housing stability for residents of the Mid-North area. If you would like more information, or are interested in applying for the program, please contact Roslyn Turner at roslyn@mfcfdc.org or 317-923-5514.

Foundation, and the PNC Foundation.

Register Now to Join MFCDC & First Financial Bank on November 17 for "Protecting Your Identity & Other Assets" Workshop



Protecting your identity and other assets has never been more challenging than in today's digital era, but it's also never been more essential. This workshop discusses how to reduce risks associated with identity theft or fraud, what to do if you have been the victim of identity theft or fraud, how insurance can help protect you from financial loss, and the importance of keeping good records. Mimi Hoang, Community Outreach Officer and AVP, at First Financial Bank will lead the workshop.

The workshop will take place at Mapleton-Fall Creek Development Corporation's office at 3190 N Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46208 on Wednesday, November 17 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Please bring a face mask.

To register, please fill out the form [here](#). The first ten (10) people who register *and* attend the workshop will receive a \$25 Visa Gift Card.

Community Resources

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Fresh Stop is a program that makes fresh, local food available to families of all incomes in our community. Twice a month, from June through November, Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, pools funds to purchase sustainably grown produce at a discount price from local farmers. Shares can be ordered online by midnight the Sunday before each Fresh Stop or in person at Tab by noon that same Sunday. After we receive payment, we coordinate directly with our farmers to purchase seasonally fresh foods. Pick-ups are always on Saturdays, between 10 and 11 AM. To order your share, please visit freshstop.org/tab.

Upcoming Payment Deadlines & Pick-Up Dates

Pay By:

November 7

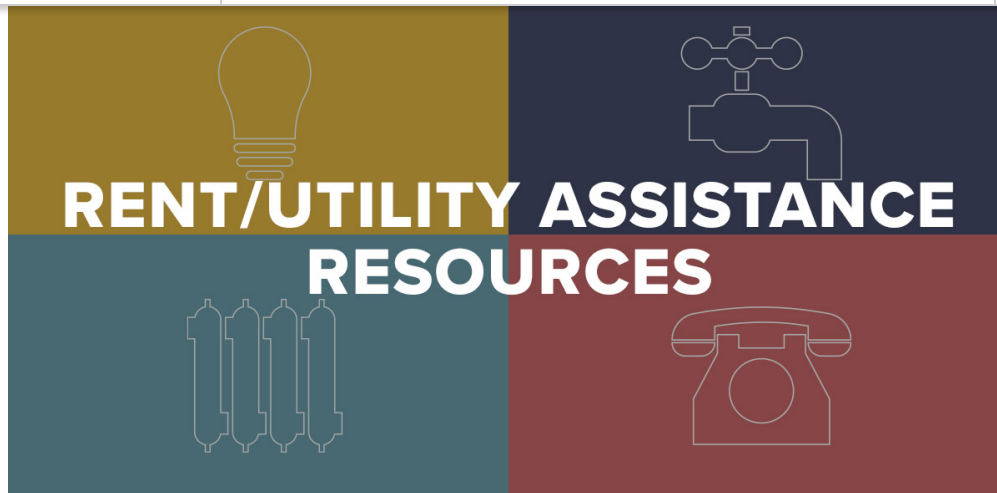
November 14

Pick Up On:

November 13

November 23

If you have questions, or would like to pay with a SNAP card, please contact Sally John at sallybjohn@gmail.com or 317-296-4150.

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If you are an LMI resident struggling to afford rent and/or utility costs, there are many resources available, including:

- [The Indianapolis Rental Assistance Program](#)

Households at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) that have experienced a reduction in earned income and are at risk of housing instability are eligible to apply. Priority will be given to households below 50% AMI or who have been unemployed for 90 days or longer at the time of application. Households are eligible to receive up to 12 months of assistance; assistance received in 2020 does not count towards the 12 month maximum.

- [Marion County Energy Assistance Program](#)

The Marion County Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program (EAP) provides financial assistance to low-income households to maintain utility services during the winter heating season. This 2021-2022 program will include assistance with electric, heating, and water.

- [Winter Assistance Fund](#)

Administered by the United Way, the Winter Assistance Fund (WAF), is a heating and electric bills assistance program for households who fall just above the qualifications for the federal Energy Assistance Program (EAP). For information, or assistance applying, you may dial Connect2Help's 2-1-1 referral line.

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inception in 1994. When combined with other forms of assistance, Warm Heart Warm Home grants can help customers maintain their utility service. To learn more, please contact 317-924-3311.



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