

Annual Neighborhood Meeting & 2023 Association Dues

Please join us on Monday, April 3 at our annual meeting! The meeting will be at 6:30pm at James A. Garfield IPS School 31 (307 Lincoln Street). We normally vote in Board Directors for the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, but this year all Directors are one year into their two-year terms. However, President James Bulow will still be giving a summary of the past year's happenings and the general plan for 2023.

We'll also be collecting annual dues for 2023. The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association is completely voluntary but, because of that, we have a difficult time collecting funds to sustain the neighborhood association and its efforts, such as maintaining greenspaces in the neighborhood, installing park amenities, and supporting both of our neighborhood schools.

There are over 2,000 households in the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood, but last year only around 30 households contributed the \$10 per household annual fee. Please consider joining the neighborhood association to fund our efforts and cast your vote on important issues throughout the year!

Dues are \$10 per household or \$25 per business. We accept check, cash, credit card, and PayPal.

Mail Check:

BHNA
PO Box 342
Indianapolis, IN 46206

Cash, Credit Card, or Check:

Pay our Treasurer in person
at the annual or monthly
neighborhood meetings

PayPal:

One-Time Payment: bit.ly/BHNAdues
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New Beautification Committee



The neighborhood is trying to resume a more active role in its beautification efforts, particularly for maintaining our public green spaces. We have a lot of public spaces in the neighborhood and it takes some effort to keep them nice. The more people we have helping, though, the less work it takes!

You can see a list of the green spaces the neighborhood currently maintains at bateshendricks.org/volunteer. There are also several parks in the neighborhood maintained by Indy Parks. We have monthly and annual cleanups you can help with. If you want to get involved, please reach out to the new committee chair, Erin Barcy, at Beautification@bateshendricks.org. We hope to see you out there!

Short-Term Rental Report

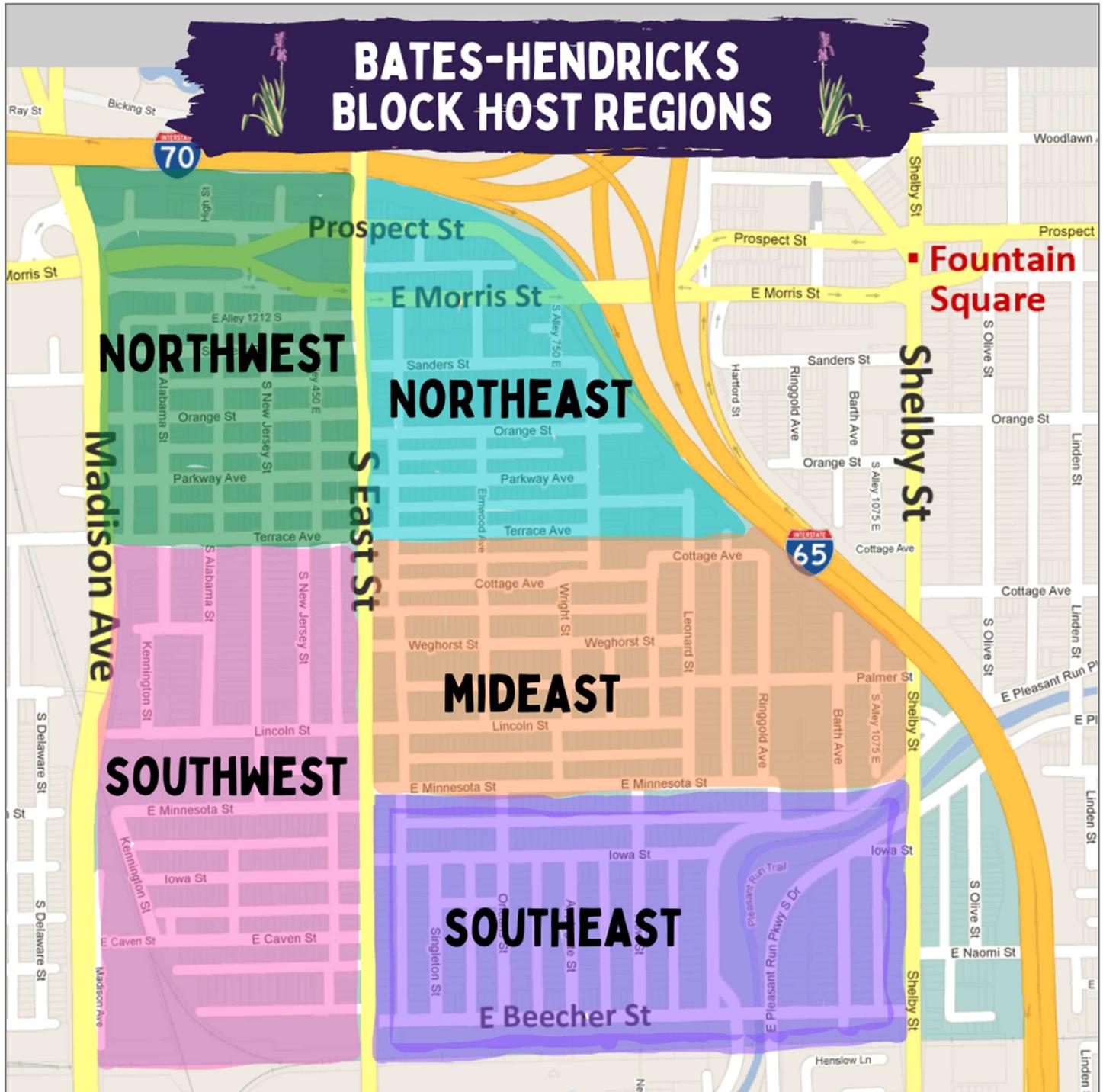
If you have ever experienced issues with a short-term rental (Airbnb, VRBO, etc.), a coalition of local neighbors are gathering to promote meaningful change. A tracking form has been set up for all neighborhoods throughout Marion County to allow anyone to report an issue with a short-term rental. This effort allows the coalition to get a better handle on the issues, identify nuisance properties, and eventually work with city/county officials (and maybe Airbnb/VRBO) to address issues at the property and policy levels.

You can report your issue at www.ShortTermRentalReport.com.

Help Build Community as a Block Host

We are excited to announce the re-launch of our Bates-Hendricks Block Host program! Block Hosts will serve alongside peers in the same region to act as the hub of communication between the region's residents. They will be the first impression for new neighbors, welcoming them to the neighborhood. The program aims to build community, streamline communication, and keep our community safe. If you are someone who is eager to meet your neighbors and help create a connected community, please consider applying or sharing this information with a neighbor!

Learn more about being a Block Host at bit.ly/BlockHostDetails and apply to be a Block Host at bit.ly/bhbhapplication.



Save the Date for the 7th Annual Bates-Hendricks Street Fest

Street Fest is returning for its lucky 7th year on September 9, 2023 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm at the corner of Lincoln and New Jersey Streets in the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood. Registration for goods vendors, food vendors, community partners, and sponsors will open in early April. Watch our social media for the registration announcement or send an email to events@bateshendricks.org to be added to our outreach list.

You can learn more about the Street Fest event and check for updates by visiting the event website, www.bateshendricks.org/streetfest.

Packed House at Neighborhood's Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser



We had a great turnout at this year's Bates-Hendricks Chili Cook-Off! Mayor Hogsett even dropped by for a bit. The event was held in the afternoon on March 4 at the Southside Turnverein in the neighborhood. We had 12 contestants enter their red and white chilis and the competition was stiff! Judges Michael Bratt of Square Scoop, George Turkette of Turchetti's Delicatessen & Meat Market, and Joe Hamgeri of Commodore, graded the chilis on color, aroma, taste, consistency, and aftertaste.

Congratulations to Dan Lash (Best Red), Erik Mudrak (Best White), and Oilver Uppencamp (Neighbors' Choice)! These winners took home Bates-Hendricks Chili Cook-Off aprons. Three attendees also received raffle prizes donated from Square Scoop, Two Chicks District Co, Klausing Meadery, Garfield Honey Co., Salt & Ash, Macra-Yay Macarame, City Nail Bar, Smudge Salon, and Epicenter-Indy!

Thank you to Point Comfort Underwriter's for allowing us to use their space in the Turnverien, and thank you to our three volunteer judges and raffle sponsors. We appreciate all the contestants entering their chili to make the event such a success. Finally, thank you to everyone who attended to enjoy all the wonderful chili and help fundraise approximately \$600 for the neighborhood!

Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment, and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents. We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at James A. Garfield IPS School 31 at 307 Lincoln Street at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at bateshendricks.org.



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Upcoming

- Apr 3** **Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, James A. Garfield IPS School 31 (307 Lincoln Street).** The Association meets on the first Monday of every month except holidays (then it's the second Monday). Stay involved with the neighborhood and visit with your neighbors!
- Apr 6** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- Apr 8** **2nd Saturday Cleanup, 9:00am to 11:00am, North Gateway (1190 S. East Street).** We'll be doing some light weeding and trash pickup at our North Gateway. On the second Saturday of each month, we spend a couple of hours maintaining our public spaces in the neighborhood, focusing on a different public space in the area each month. Come join us!
- Apr 10** **Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, among other objectives. For more information, contact QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org.
- Apr 13** **ROW – Pleasant Run Meeting, 5:00pm, location varies.** This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact ROW@bateshendricks.org.
- Apr 15** **Monthly Parent Meetup, 9:30am to 11:30am.** Check www.bateshendricks.org/parents for the location. Join other downtown families for a monthly family-friendly event! All events are free unless noted in the event. Meetups are proudly hosted by the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association but open to all families regardless of residency. Email questions to Parents@bateshendricks.org.
- Apr 17** **Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact Events@bateshendricks.org for more information.
- Apr 17** **Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact Marketing@bateshendricks.org to join the meeting or for more information.
- Apr 18** **Heavy Trash Pickup.** More information at www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup.
- Apr 20** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling.
- Apr 25** **Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact LandUse@bateshendricks.org for more information.