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Moving Forward

It's Been Quite A Year

Things are moving fast at ELO. We are definitely moving forward. We have added attorney, Wyatt Kaldenberg to assist with our Estate Planning, Probate and Business Law clients. Wyatt is an Indianola High School graduate. He brings a lot to the table with his skills, knowledge and connections with Warren County. We have also added staff. We are developing a team to better assist

our clients. We have a weekly training program to teach our processes, build team trust and create a better work experience. The training will provide knowledge and a more uniform way of servicing our clients. In addition, we promote collaboration and teamwork—all with the goal to make a difference in the lives of our clients and community.

We are in a new building. Our building provides a better space for our clients and team. We have state-of-the-art technology as the practice of law evolves. This includes our case management database where our entire team has access to telephone messages, activities for the client, and notes of case progress. This should facilitate more prompt response to clients with more accurate information. Our four conference rooms allow us to hold multiple client meetings at once, as our attorneys focus on their particular areas of practice. In addition, our technology allows remote meetings with clients, remote hearings, and remote mediations. Our paralegal section provides an environment for collaboration and teamwork, as well. Our Open House was a huge success, despite the weather challenge. We were able to show our new space to many clients, friends, and family.

We were able to donate \$1600 to Unravel. Unravel is a local organization dedicated to fighting pediatric cancer.

We have experienced and dedicated attorneys who act ethically to provide superior service to our clients. By having attorneys focus on certain areas of practice, we are able to provide a full-service law firm here in Indianola. We handle personal injury and worker's compensation cases. We service criminal and OWI clients. We have a very busy family law practice which includes divorce and custody cases, child support cases, juvenile cases, adoptions and name changes. We also have a bustling transactional practice including estate planning, wills, trusts, probate and business set-up.

In addition, we were humbled to be voted Favorite Warren County Law Firm for 5 years straight.

It has not come without challenges, and we always strive to be better. I am very optimistic about our future. I know we are here to stay. We are here because of the support we receive from Indianola and Warren County. We feel blessed.

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We welcome you to The Indianola Source, a helpful annual guide for the residents of Indianola, provided by the publishers of your local Indianola Living magazine and the local businesses that advertise their goods and services in these pages.

In this handy publication, you will find answers to the many questions you may have as a resident in the community. The Indianola Source is a comprehensive resource for those who wish to know who their city council or school board representative is, what places of worship are in town, who to call for information about utilities, or what amenities

local parks feature.

We have even included details on the library and recycling, and a "numbers to know" list should you need to reach out.

If you like this guide, be sure to thank the local advertisers and tell them how much you appreciate the information and their support. If you would like additional copies or have corrections or additions, please contact our publisher, Shane Goodman, at 515-953-4822 ext. 305 or email shane@dmcityview.com.

Of course, things can change a lot in a year's time, so be sure to contact the individual entities listed for updates.

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COMMON QUESTIONS

HOW DO I REPORT A UTILITY SERVICE OUTAGE?

- Electric and water: During business hours, call 515-961-9444, select option 2. After 4:30 p.m., call the Indianola Police Department at 515-961-9400.
- Communications: During business hours, call 515-961-9444, select option 1. After 5 p.m., call 515-961-9444 and follow the voice prompts to leave a message for the on-call technician. If it is before 9 p.m., you can also email support@imufiber.com. If there is a technician currently online, a technical support chat button will be available at indianola. com/fiber in the lower right

DOES INDIANOLA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES PROVIDE ANY PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE **ENERGY EFFICIENCY?**

Yes. Rebates are offered on many energyefficient upgrades. Contact IMU at 515-961-9444 for program requirements prior to installation. Some examples of projects include:

- Central Air Conditioners: To qualify for a rebate, customers must work with their contractor to choose a central air conditioner that is adequate for the size of their home and has a Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating (SEER) of 15 or higher.
- Lighting: LED lights and fixtures are eligible for rebates.
 - **Appliances:** Rebates are available when

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some Energy Star appliances are purchased, such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers and room air conditioners.

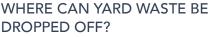
• Others: A variety of other rebates are offered, including for recycling appliances, central air source heat pumps, mini-split heat pumps, thermostats and maintenance on central air conditioning and heat pumps.

Learn more about all available rebates at indianola. com/electric/imu-rebate.

DOES INDIANOLA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES PROVIDE ANY ASSISTANCE?

Project Share is a voluntary program created to assist households in need with paying their winter energy bills. You can help by adding a regular Project Share (PS) contribution to your monthly utility payment or by making a direct donation to Project Share. These funds will then be distributed to neighbors in need of help paying for winter energy costs. Those qualifying for help will be carefully identified by an area social service agency. A local committee oversees Project Share to guarantee all contributions are handled equitably and efficiently. To enroll in the Project Share program, stop by the customer service center, 210 W. Second Ave., or call customer service at 515-961-9444. Learn more at indianola.

9444. Learn more at indianola. com/about/utility-programs/project-share.



The city has a brush facility available to Indianola City residents only (ID required) at 1800 W. Iowa Ave. The facility is open early April through mid-November, Thursdays from noon to 7 p.m. (or dusk), Saturdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays

noon to 4 p.m. It is closed on holidays.

Fees for leaves and grass are \$4 per bag/bundle. Cost for trees/shrubs is \$7 per bag/bundle. Cost is \$30 for a pickup truck load and \$35 for a trailer load up to 14 feet. No dump trailers allowed.

Wood mulch is available at the Indianola Brush Facility during normal hours of operation free of charge. Individuals wanting mulch will need to provide their own containers, and loading assistance is not provided.

Learn more at indianolaiowa.

The 2025 annual Fall
Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday,
Oct. 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
at the Indianola Brush Facility.
Learn more at indianolaiowa.
gov/670/Seasonal-Cleanup.

gov/323/Brush-Facility.

ARE DOGS ALLOWED IN PARKS?

Dogs are allowed in Indianola city parks as long as they are leashed at all times and owners clean up any messes. This includes the softball complex at Pickard Park. Indianola's off-leash dog park is available for residents and nonresidents at 1710 S. K St. An annual membership costs \$25 per dog and can be purchased through the Parks & Recreation Department. Call 515-961-9420.

HOW CAN I GET CITY ALERTS?

Any alerts in effect for the city of Indianola can be found online in the Alert Center at www.indianolaiowa.gov/list.aspx. Alert

Center allows you to view all alerts and emergencies in your area. To be notified of alerts and emergencies, subscribe to Notify Me® or RSS. The links are included on the Alert Center page.



IS ALCOHOL ALLOWED IN CITY PARKS?

The city allows limited use of alcohol in parks. Special permits are issued from the Parks and Recreation Department, subject to a damage deposit. Call 515-961-9420 for more specific information.

HOW DO I GET MY UTILITIES HOOKED UP?

Residents living within the city limits (and limited areas outside the city limits) have the following services through Indianola Municipal Utilities and city of Indianola: electric, water, and fiber (internet, television and telephone).

Applications for electric and water service can be downloaded at www.indianola.com/signup, completed and submitted to utilityservices@indianolaiowa. gov, mailed to the Customer Service Center, or placed in the drop box located at 210 W. Second Ave.

For fiber service, call 515-961-9444 and choose option 1 to be connected with a member of the IMU Fiber team.

HOW DO I GET OR RENEW A DRIVER'S LICENSE?

The Warren County Treasurer's Office, 301 N. Buxton St., Suite 102, issues and renews driver's licenses. It is open by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, visit wb-warrencountyia.qmatic.cloud/

Driver's License Division can be reached at dl@warrencountyia. org and 515-961-1144.

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WHERE DO I GET A LICENSE PLATE?

The County Treasurer, 301 N. Buxton St., Suite 102, processes motor vehicle transactions and collects appropriate fees. Services include: title transfers and collection of Road Use Tax, collection of registration fees (license plate/validation fees) and refunds as required, collection of annual license fees due for all types of vehicles, issuance of specialty plates, notation and cancellation of security interests (liens) and issuance of Storage of Vehicles and Junking certificates. The office is open by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, visit

wb-warrencountyia.qmatic. cloud/qmaticwebbooking.

For information, email at mv@ warrencountyia.org or call 515-690-9240.



WHO DO I CALL BEFORE I DIG?

Call 811 at least 48 hours prior to all excavation. Requests can also be submitted online at **iowaonecall.com**. Iowa One Call is a free service.



HOW CAN I ACCESS THE CITY CODE?

Both the City Code and City Policies are available online at indianolaiowa.gov/151/City-Code-and-Policies.







The City Council meets the first and third Mondays of the month at 6 p.m. at the council chambers at City Hall, 110 N. First St. Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Study sessions are the second Mondays of the month, also starting at 6 p.m. and held at the council chambers. Meetings are open to the public. To have an item placed on the agenda, contact City Hall at 515-961-9410.

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Agendas, meeting minutes and a public comment submission form can be found at indianolaiowa.gov/160/City-Council.

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*The Indianola City Council voted unanimously to appoint At-Large Council Member Steve Richardson to serve as mayor on Feb. 18, 2025, following Indianola Mayor Stephanie Erickson's decision to step down in January 2025. Richardson will complete the current mayoral term through Dec. 31, 2025. The position returns to the ballot in November 2025.

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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

community.

A complete list and current vacancies can be found online at **indianolaiowa.gov/164/Boards-Commissions**.



BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Meetings: First Wednesdays, 6 p.m.,

City Council Chambers

The Board of Adjustment is tasked with upholding the integrity of the city's zoning regulations and the Elevate Indianola Comprehensive Plan.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Meetings: As needed

The commission administers the civil service procedure.

HOMETOWN PRIDE COMMITTEE

Meetings: First Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.,

IWC Community Room, 306 E. Scenic Valley Ave.

The mission of this committee is to bring neighbors together to build a sense of community, create and improve public amenities, and celebrate what makes Indianola great.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Meetings: As needed

The purpose is to recognize the authority of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission and foster use of its procedures and programs; to increase awareness, understanding and appreciation of diversity, equity and inclusion within the community; and to proclaim a public policy of nondiscrimination.

IMU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings: Second and fourth Mondays, 5:30 p.m., City Council Chambers The Indianola Municipal Utilities (IMU) Board of Trustees supervises the Municipal Utilities.

INDIANOLA PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION

Meetings: Fourth Thursdays, 6 p.m.,

City Council Chambers
The mission of the Indianola Public Arts
Commission is to encourage the cooperation
and coordination of art projects that will
enhance the cultural level of the arts in the

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings: Second Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m., Library Community Room The Library Board of Trustees supervises the library. The board consists of seven members serving six-year terms.

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL

Meetings: Twice a month during school year, once a month during summer, with additional community projects and events The Indianola Mayor's Youth Council provides Indianola's youth with an active role in learning about and addressing issues in the community. Indianola High School students are chosen to serve on the council and have the unique opportunity to learn how government works, represent the youth in the community, and become actively involved with community projects and activities.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Meetings: Second Wednesdays, 6 p.m., Activity Center

The Parks & Recreation Commission advises the City Council on the needed facilities to provide open spaces, such as parks and playgrounds, and community facilities for other forms of recreation. It oversees city programs and encourages other programs for the leisure time of residents of all ages.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Meetings: Second and fourth Tuesdays, 6 p.m., City Council Chambers
The Planning and Zoning Commission is responsible for making decisions and recommendations regarding the development of the community and will review development cases such as subdivision maps and development plans, annexation requests, rezoning and coderelated amendments.

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Meetings: First Thursdays, 6 p.m., City Council Chambers The Sustainability Committee works to further the growth of a healthy, thriving community by advocating for clean, renewable energy, conserving resources, reducing waste, encouraging recycling and





VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING COMMISSION

Meetings: Quarterly, 5:30 p.m., Activity Center

The Veterans Memorial Building
Commission consists of honorably
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or Coast Guard members who manage and
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Center and establish rules and regulations
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Calling 911 activates an entire network of highly-trained emergency medical workers. Their time and expertise are valuable and should not be wasted on non-emergencies. Generally speaking, people are aware that they should call 911 in an emergency, but they are less aware of the circumstances in which they should not call 911. Non-emergency calls to 911 impede the efficiency of responders and call-takers by interfering with legitimate 911 calls.

When to call 911: medical emergencies; heart attack or stroke; someone faints or collapses; someone is badly injured; domestic violence; fires; burglary, theft or crime in progress; vehicle accident with life-threatening injuries; suspicious activities; chemical/fuel spill and other emergencies.

When not to call 911: to get information, power outages, to report a broken water main or fire hydrant, loud party or barking dog, transportation to a doctor appointment, to pay tickets, for prescription refills or pick-ups, for treatment for minor cuts/abrasions, as a prank, for non-life-threatening chronic medical conditions or to receive priority care at the emergency room.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

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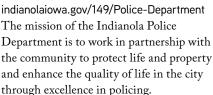


EMERGENCY SERVICES

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief: Brian Sher 110 N. First St. 515-961-9400

Emergency: 911



Indianola Police have created a safe exchange zone at the Police Department. Two parking spots on the south side of the Police Department have been designated for safe exchange zone parking. Individuals can meet to exchange goods related to online selling. The zone can also be used by parents for safe child custody exchanges. The safe exchange zone is monitored by a surveillance camera 24 hours a day.

To make a code enforcement request, call the Community Development Department at 515-961-9430 or the Police Department at 515-961-9400.

Or fill out an online form at

indianolaiowa.gov/863/Code-Enforcement.

Note that the Indianola Police Department does not generally unlock vehicles unless it is an emergency situation such as a child locked inside a vehicle. This is due to the increasing complexity of car security systems and side-impact airbags; attempts to open may cause vehicle damage or officer injury. Contact a locksmith to open vehicles.

If you are planning a vacation, the police recommend you advise them if your residence will be unoccupied. Call or visit the Police Department to fill out a vacation check form.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief: Aaron Hurt 110 N. First St. 515-961-9405

Emergency: 911



indianolaiowa.gov/209/Fire-Department As emergency responders to fires, medical emergencies and disasters, natural or man-made, the Indianola Fire Department protects the lives and property of residents and visitors. The Department promotes public safety through its fire prevention, investigation and education programs.

The department's fire district encompasses 125 square miles located centrally in Warren County, including the City of Indianola. The department's members provide 24/7 emergency services to all citizens and visitors in the fire district. The department also responds to mutual aid requests from other jurisdictions.

The emergency medical service is authorized by the State of Iowa Public Health Department to provide paramediclevel care.

Storm sirens are tested on the first Saturday of the month at 1 p.m. unless severe weather is imminent. If you hear the sirens, you are advised to go inside and tune in to local media for more information. Sirens are an outdoor warning system designed only to alert those who are outside that something dangerous is approaching. Sirens are activated if a tornado warning is issued by the National Weather Service in Polk County and in case of wind speeds of 70 mph or more. Sirens sound in a cycle of three to five minutes followed by a 10- to 15-minute break during the duration of the threat.



Indianola Municipal Utilities (IMU) provides the city with electric, water and network services. The Indianola community has enjoyed the benefits of a locally owned, not-for-profit utility since 1890. Many changes have taken place since those early years, but one thing has remained the same — a commitment to providing the most reliable, affordable service possible.

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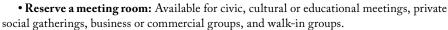
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- Adventure Pass: Check out a free pass to the Blank Park Zoo, the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, the Des Moines Children's Museum and the Science Center of Iowa. Each pass includes admission for two adults and two children. Passes are available on a first-come, first-served basis and may be reserved up to 90 days in advance by cardholders 18 and older. Check with the library for more details.
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- **Printing, scanning and faxing:** Services are offered during regular business hours.
 - Homebound delivery program: The

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• Seed Library: The Seed Library is located in a card catalog cabinet near the newspapers. The drawers are sorted into "Fruit & Veg," "Herbs" and "Florals" and filled with donated seeds. Any member of the community can borrow seeds from the Seed Library without a card or membership required. The Seed Library is sponsored by the Warren County Master Gardeners.

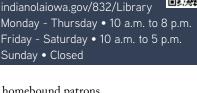
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The Friends of the Indianola Public Library Foundation supports the goals of the library. In doing so, they are the sole supporter of the summer reading program, have and continue to provide support for remodeling projects, and fund events such as Breakfast with Dr. Seuss. For more information and to join, visit **indianolaiowa.gov/848/Friends-of-the-Library.**









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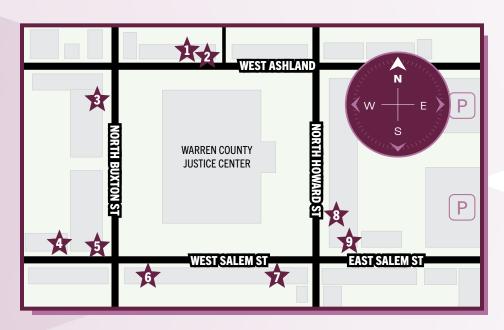
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CITY PARKS AND RECREATION

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INDIANOLA ACTIVITY CENTER

2204 W. Second Ave.

515-961-9420

www.indianolaiowa.gov/facilities/facility/details/Activity-Center-1

The Indianola Activity Center is home to the Indianola Parks & Recreation office and also functions as the senior center, providing activities for adults 50 and older. The senior center features an arts and crafts room, billiards, computer lab and exercise room. See programs and details at indianolaiowa. gov/281/Active-Adults-50-or-Better.

INDIANOLA WELLNESS CAMPUS

306 E. Scenic Valley Ave.

515-961-9408

www.indianolaiowa.gov/1143/Wellness-Campus

The Wellness Campus amenities include lap and recreation pools, gymnasium, racquetball court, children's learn and play center, indoor cycling studio, strength training area, cardio workout space, community room, various exercise studios and an indoor track. For information about membership fees and more, visit the website.

VETERANS MEMORIAL AQUATIC CENTER

714 W. Detroit Ave.

515-961-9422

www.indianolaiowa.gov/Facilities/Facility/ Details/Aquatic-Center-6

During the summer season, the Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center offers open swims, adult lap swim and water walking, tot splash time, and other programs. Visit the website for information updates on hours, admission, and the current season.

BARKER PARK

401 S. First St.

One of the most popular neighborhood parks, the land for Barker Park was purchased by the Park Board in 1952 from C.F. and Francis Flesher, C. Ray and Eva Flesher, Frank C. and Blanche Flesher. The

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park was renovated in 2001. The park was named after a pioneer Indianola family, the Barkers.

The park features ball fields, basketball court, picnic areas and grill, playground and restrooms. The shelter offers three picnic tables with seating for 18 and four electrical outlets.



BUXTON PARK

705 N. Buxton St.

Both stunning and serene, Buxton Park is nestled in the center of Indianola adjacent to Simpson College. Its formal gardens, butterfly garden, ornamental fountain, wind sculptures, public art and gazebo offer a spectacular setting for intimate gatherings, photo sessions or a simple stroll in the park.

A children's garden added in 2019 invites little ones to spend time getting closer to nature with a play tunnel, interactive Natureland game, musical instruments, planter boxes filled with touch and feel plants and vegetables, and other naturerelated activities.

Also home to an arboretum, the park offers a self-guided interpretive tree tour pamphlet at the display case near the gazebo. A three-tiered water fountain is ADA accessible and also offers a drink for dogs on leash.

The first park in the City's system was donated to the city in 1906 by Mr. and Mrs. William Buxton.

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DAYTON PARK

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Donated by Osborne Williams in 1959 after construction of a new housing development on the east side of the city, Dayton is a small pocket park that adjoins the Summerset Trail and is used by area residents to play ball games or picnic. It features a playground, basketball court and restrooms and offers access to the 11-mile Summerset Trail to Carlisle.

DeNELSKY PARK

509 E. Fourth Ave.

Opened in 2008, this park area includes 22.9 acres donated by the DeNelsky family as a memorial to Minnie DeNelsky.

The area has approximately nine to 10 acres of woodlands with the remaining in native grasses, flowers and open space. This unique natural area within the city limits provides environmental and wildlife appreciation and educational opportunities, in addition to serving as a neighborhood park. A minimum of 70% of the land will be maintained and managed as existing wooded and natural open space area.

DOG PARK

1710 S. K St.

The park provides space where dogs can exercise and socialize with other dogs. It features agility equipment, benches, bag dispensers and waste receptacles, picnic tables, restrooms, water and shelter in a fenced-in area.

Access is available to members only. Annual membership fees are \$25/dog and expire one year after purchase date. Memberships may be purchased through Indianola Parks and Recreation.

To become a member, bring vaccination records from your veterinarian showing that your dog's parvo/distemper and rabies shots are current to the Parks & Recreation office at 2204 W. Second Ave. The records should show the date the shots were given and the "reminder date" of when they are due next.

Members will receive a magnetic access card on a lanyard which should be worn by the owner while using the park.

DOWNEY PARK

1710 S. K St.

Adjacent to the Dog Park, this area features benches, picnic tables, restrooms and shelter. South River once flowed through Downey Memorial Park. Purchased by the city in 1933 as part of the waterworks area, the site was named Richard Downey Memorial Park in honor of caretaker Walter Downey's son, who died in World War II.

EASTON PARK

1211 E. Euclid Ave.

Received by the city in 1974, after development of the surrounding homes, Easton is a neighborhood park with play equipment, landscape plantings and a stream running through the center.

McCORD PARK

900 S. P St.

Donated to the Parks and Recreation Commission by Max McCord in 1976, the park has areas with play equipment and several hiking trails around the natural wooded perimeter of the site. Picnic area, basketball court, sand volleyball, restrooms and shelter are also found at the park, as well as a disc golf course.

MEMORIAL PARK

602 N. G St.

The land for this park was purchased in 1956 from Victor and Lois Gillespie for the purpose of building a pool. The park contains play equipment, open areas, a large aquatic center, an outdoor amphitheater and skate park as well as other park amenities such as restrooms, shelter, benches and more.

MOATS PARK

900 N. First St.

Visitors to Indianola are greeted by this cheerful wayside park on Highway 65/69. Its amenities make the park a popular destination for school outings, reunions and parties. The shelter offers 12 picnic tables with seating for 96. Visitors can enjoy the baseball/softball diamond, basketball court, picnic area, playground, restrooms and shelter.

The city purchased the north end of the site in 1911 with acquisition of the south portion in 1939. The park shelter was constructed in 1954, and summer band concerts were held there for years.

PICKARD PARK

2205 E. Second Ave.

The largest park in the city, Pickard Park features an ADA-accessible playground, as well as many other recreational opportunities. The shelter offers 10 picnic tables and boasts a scenic view of the Iowa countryside. Formerly a farm, the park lies on the eastern edge of Indianola and is the eastern terminus of the McVay/Summerset Trail.

The park hosts cross country meets, youth and adult softball tournaments and disc golf tournaments including an annual national tour featuring top professional and amateur disc golfers. A horseshoe court is also available.



Acquired from the Clarence Pickard family in 1976, the rolling hillsides include some of the first terraces and water diversion projects completed by the Soil Conservation Service in Warren County.

SESQUICENTENNIAL PARK

110 N. First St.

This little gem is located on the southeast corner of City Hall at Salem and Jefferson. Multiple flowerbeds showcase an everchanging display of annual and perennial flowers.

The pink-flowered Carefree Beauty rose is featured here as well as in plantings around Indianola. Ornamental Prairiefire crabapple trees are planted around the perimeter of the park. Antique-style lighting and a four-sided clock tower add a nostalgic touch to this park. The focal point of the park is a sculpture called the Tree of Life.

SOUTH PARK

401 W. Fourth Ave.

Purchased from the estate of Horace E. Patten in 1964-65, this neighborhood park has been leveled and reseeded from its original land of a deep water way. Neighborhood children enjoy its play area and basketball court. Restrooms are available.



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Banner Shooting Range is a family-friendly outdoor shooting range, where patrons can target shoot with handguns, rifles, shotguns and archery. Children are welcome at the range under adult supervision. Banner Shooting Range is open year-round, but will be closed when hazardous driving conditions are present in the winter.

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16510 118th Ave., Indianola 515-961-7101

www.iowadnr.gov/Places-to-Go/State-Parks/Iowa-State-Parks/Lake-Ahquabi-State-Park

Lake Ahquabi State Park is operated by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. For information about shelter and lodge rentals, campground fees, and recreational opportunities, call 515-961-7101. To reserve shelters or campsites, call 877-427-2757 or visit www.iowastateparks.

Amenities include hiking trails, playground, swimming beach, concessions, boat ramps, accessible fishing pier, paddleboat rentals, fishing jetties, dayuse lodge, shelters, modern and accessible restrooms, showers, electric and non-electric campsites, buddy campsites, dump stations and firewood sales.

ANNETT NATURE CENTER

15565 118th Ave., Indianola 515-961-6169 www.warrenccb.org

The Annett Nature Center, which opened in 1997, sits in the 160-acre ANC Park. The ANC rests on a hillside above a 6-acre pond and a 10-acre wetland and is adjacent to Lake Ahquabi State Park. The nature center has three levels containing interpretive exhibits, classrooms, Warren County Conservation Board administrative offices and a community room. The ANC serves as the hub for conservation education programs and as the focal point for many school field trips and summer nature day camps.

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Indianola's trail system boasts more than 5 miles of hard surface trails as well as 4 miles of mowed grass hiking trails at Pickard Park, DeNelsky Park and the Indianola Activity Center. The McVay Trail, the Summerset Trail and the Jerry Kelley Trail can all be accessed from the trailhead located at 503 N. Fifth St. It features off-street parking, a shelter with picnic tables, benches, pop machine, modern restrooms and a drinking fountain available seasonally.

POPULAR ROUTES

- Take the McVay Trail 1.6 miles east to Pickard Park.
- Head north from the trailhead to the Summerset Trail (11.1 miles north to Carlisle).
- Take the Hillcrest Trail extension to access the Summercrest Hills neighborhood that includes the Indianola Wellness Campus, medical offices and retirement communities (0.5 mile).
- Or head west on the Jerry Kelley Trail.
 Follow the sidewalk trail past Buxton Park to Memorial Park (1 mile). Continue west to Wilder Elementary (1.5 miles).

This phase has about half the trail offstreet, and half of it uses shared bike lanes on West Iowa Avenue and North Kenwood.

TIPS FOR TRAILS PROGRAM

Utility customers of Indianola have the opportunity to voluntarily contribute funds through their utility bill to support the city trails system. Customers may choose to "round up" their bill to the nearest dollar, with the additional rounding amounts being credited to the trails program, or add a flat dollar amount to their bill for trails. Donations are tax deductible.

See more about trails and a map at www.indianolaiowa. gov/502/Trails. ■



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Chamber events include the annual awards dinner, Summer Nights Live and Grow Here sessions. The chamber has a Young Professionals group and Chamber Champions Ambassador Program.



www.indianolachamber.com



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

INDIANOLA MAIN STREET

www.indianolamainstreet.com

Indianola was named a Main Street Iowa community in August 2024. Indianola is one of only 54 Main Street Iowa communities across the state to earn the elite honor following a rigorous application process with the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA). Through the Main Street approach, communities like Indianola capitalize on the unique identity, assets and character of their historic commercial districts and develop a framework that guides community-based downtown revitalization efforts. According to IEDA, Main Street Iowa districts collectively have experienced significant social, civic, physical and economic impacts.

WARREN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Founded in 1992, the Warren County Economic Development Corporation is a nonprofit organization that supports and promotes business growth in the area. It is funded through a combination of public and private funds.

Mission statement: WCEDC works to create and retain jobs throughout Warren County, while strengthening and supporting the area business climate and enhancing the quality of life of workers and residents.



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The WCEDC team is the catalyst, convener and resource that is driving proactive economic development efforts in Warren County. WCEDC aims to position Warren County's communities, businesses and industry to capitalize on the rapid expansion of the Des Moines metro area through assertive business retention and expansion, site and building development, talent retention and attraction/workforce development, and support of business attraction. Progress will be evident countywide in new industrial sites, business start-ups, filled positions and population growth.

Visit the WCEDC website for information on financial programs and grants available to assist businesses.

WARREN COUNTY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

www.wcedc.com/leadership

The Warren County Leadership Institute (WCLI), formed in 1993, is an initiative of Warren County Economic Development Corporation (WCEDC) and is an integral part of fulfilling WCEDC's mission. The Institute's primary objective is to train and inform leaders so they can create the best future for themselves, their families, their communities, and their county.

Each year, WCLI includes eight informative and interactive class sessions, a bus tour of Warren County, a class project that benefits the county and ends with a graduation ceremony. WCLI is a great way to network and meet other emerging leaders in and around the Warren County area. Participants will gain important leadership skills and learn about Warren County and its communities. The class schedule features expert facilitators devoted to one or a few specific topics at each class session.

HOMETOWN PRIDE

www.warrencountyhometownpride.wordpress.com Warren County Hometown Pride brings neighbors together to build a sense of community, create and improve public amenities and celebrate what makes Warren County hometowns great.



Seven participating towns in Warren County, including Indianola, have a Hometown Pride team of local volunteers who work together to identify and complete projects that will improve the quality of life in their town and boost community pride. Hometown Pride projects in the county have included building a new playground, planning a music festival, coordinating a citywide cleanup, installing town entrance signs and wayfinding signs, building a veterans memorial, painting murals, delivering welcome gifts to new residents, promoting tourism and more.

In 2023, a \$73,300 grant was awarded for the Wonder on Buxton Project in Indianola. Indianola being named one of "Iowa's Great Places" was a significant factor in eligibility for the grant. The project aimed to connect Simpson College to the Indianola Downtown Square. The project includes 30 sidewalk inlays along Buxton Street, six concrete sculptures on public property along the corridor, and six kinetic wind sculptures on Buxton Street lamps. Learn more at experienceindianola.com/

SIMPSON COLLEGE

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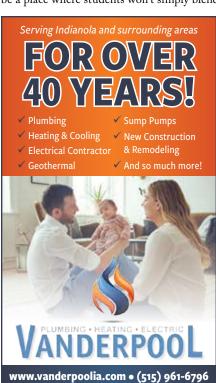
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The annual National Balloon Classic draws balloon enthusiasts from far and wide. Each summer, Iowa skies come alive with 100-plus hot air balloons as skilled pilots compete. The event offers family fun, entertainment, balloon rides, and special evening displays. For the 2026 schedule and more information, visit

nationalballoonclassic.com.

Indianola is also home to the National Balloon Museum and Ballooning Hall of Fame.

WARREN COUNTY FAIR

1400 W. Second Ave. July 22-27, 2026

The Warren County Fair's usual slate of activities includes livestock shows. grandstand events such as a demolition derby and figure 8 races, a multitude of fun things for kids to do, a carnival, demonstrations, food and exhibits. For information about events for 2026, visit warrencofair.com.

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