

## Primary Elections May 3rd

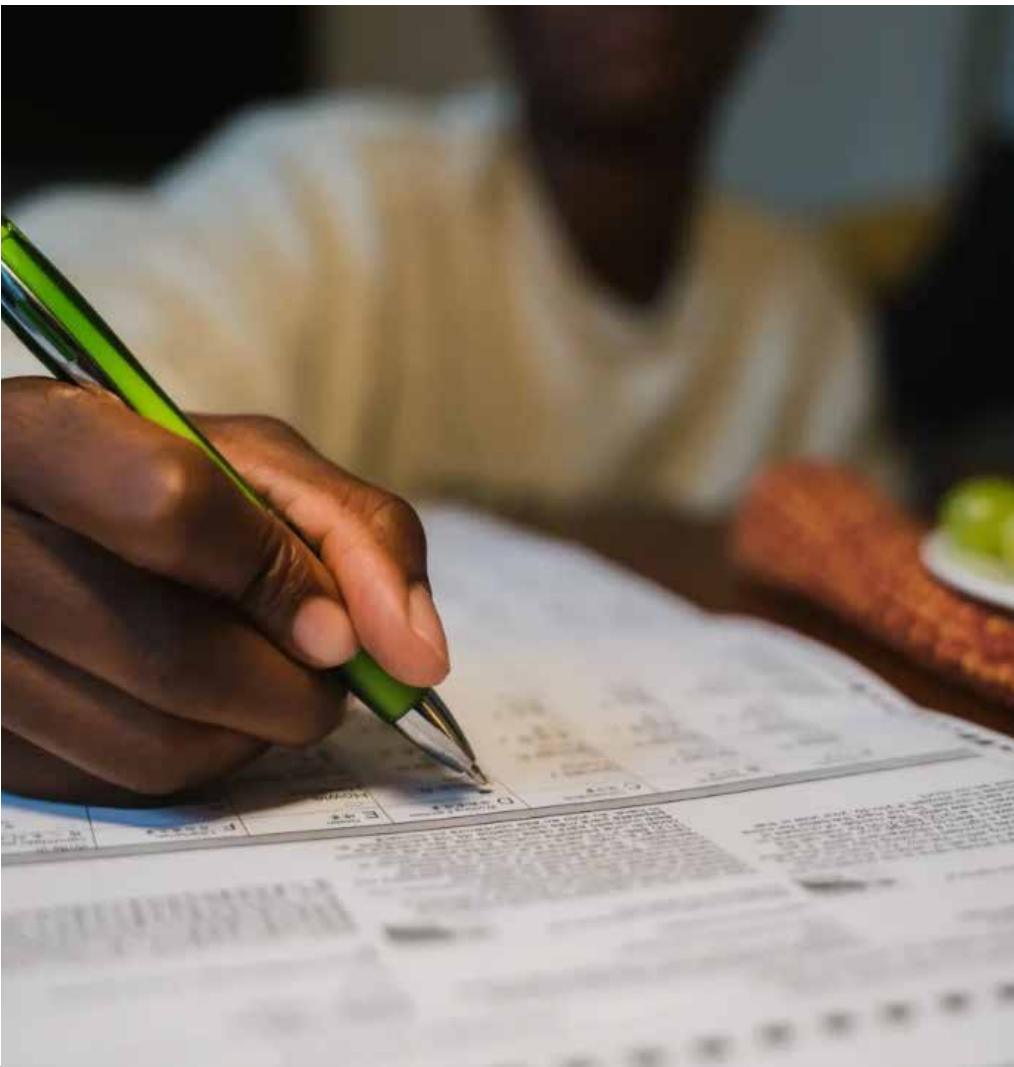
### VOTERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

By Carol Mullins

Signs are popping up all over Pike Township in anticipation of the May 3rd primary elections. What are the rules for sign placement, and who is running?

So many signs and some properties have over a dozen political signs placed along the road declaring allegiance to candidates of choice and asking you for your vote on May 3. Some of these include candidates for Senate and Legislative seats, Marion County Assessor, Auditor, Circuit Court Judge, Clerk, Prosecutor, Recorder, and Sheriff. Pike Township only races include a Trustee and Constable.

What are rules regulating the placement of signs? The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) sent out a reminder that “under Indiana Code 9-21-4-6 campaign signs are prohibited from being placed in federal and state highway rights-of-way.” In Marion County, sign regulations bar placement of any sign in a public right-of-way. However, check Homeowners As-



sociations rules. Typically, HOA's cannot prohibit residents from displaying opinion yard signs as long as they do not obstruct traffic, are not attached to utility poles, and are not in a public right-of-way. Signs are also limited in Marion County to five per candidate, per specified road frontage and may not block site lines of traffic. For a complete list of regulations in Marion County, check out the sign regulations at: [xmaps.indy.gov/ODP/Download/DMD/Zoning/2011SignRegulations.pdf](https://xmaps.indy.gov/ODP/Download/DMD/Zoning/2011SignRegulations.pdf)

What can I expect on voting day? Indiana has a “modified open” primary rule for elections, so while voters do not have to officially declare a party affiliation, you do have to choose a party ballot for voting. Several county offices and Pike Township offices have competitive races.

For Pike Democrats, there are five competitive races. This includes Trustee, where Claudette Peterson is

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challenging incumbent Annette Johnson. Osnel Andre Sr., Arthur Rowley Jr. and Paul Woods are running for Constable. Christopher Becker and Faith James Kimbrough face off for County Recorder and former state senator Billie Breaux is challenging Kate Sweeney Bell for County Clerk. Challenging incumbent Andre Carson for the newly redistricted 7th Congressional District are Curtis Godfrey and Pierre Pullins.

For Pike Republicans, the only competitive race is the 7th Congressional District. There are five candidates:

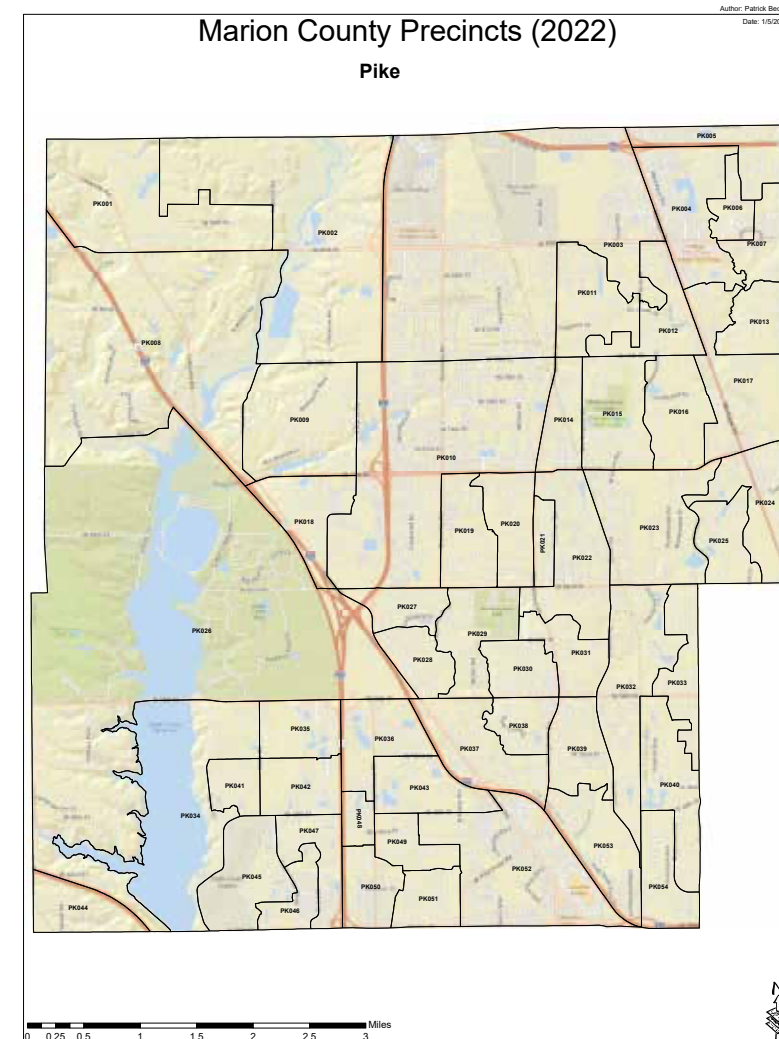
who thinks your vote doesn't matter, it's good to point out that local elections carry a lot of weight and depend on local citizens to elect their candidate of choice. Issues that are important to you locally can be impacted by your local officials, so voting is crucial to your voice being heard. The local primary elections are a perfect opportunity to make your vote count.

The prerequisites to vote in the primary follow: "Indiana residents must be registered to vote, have a valid Indiana driver's license or Indiana state identification card, be a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old and

not currently imprisoned. A 17-year-old may register and vote in the primary election if the voter turns 18 on or before the next general election November 8, 2022 but may only vote for primary candidates and may not vote on public questions such as a school referendum seeking additional funding for local public schools. To check if you are registered and find your voting location go to the Indiana Voters Website: indianavoters.in.gov or Marion County: vote.indy.gov You can also find sample ballots for your address at these sites. Print them off, check your candidates, and head to the polls on May 3.

Vote411.org Find who and what is on your ballot and view candidates' responses to key policy questions posed by local, state, and national

chapters of the League of Women Voters (and their community/media partners). Learn more about each candidate and where they stand on the issues that matter to you! The League presents this information in the candidate's own (unedited) words without filters, ratings, or commentaries.



Bill Allen, Angela Grabovsky, Rusty Johnson, Jennifer Pace and Gerald Walters.

If you want to get out early to vote in Pike Township, the Pike Library has early voting hours. Early voting is also available until May 2 at the City County building. If you are someone



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DISPLAY WILL CELEBRATE THE TEXTILES OF AFRICA FEATURING ANKARA, BOGOLAN AND BATIKS

By Susan Decker

WHO: Global Village Welcome Center

WHAT: African Heritage exhibition

WHERE: 4233 Lafayette Rd. Indianapolis, Ind. 46254

WHEN: Now - Saturday, May 21

WHY: A new cultural exhibit

will honor African Heritage by featuring art and artifacts from the private collection of Mildred Morgan Ball including a variety



of African textiles such as ankara, bogolan and batiks. The exhibit will feature interactive components including games, such as mancala, and an instrument area where guests are invited to play percussive instruments from Africa. The exhibit will also feature art and artifacts from various African countries and will serve as the backdrop for the African Council of Indiana's Unity: The



African Festival on Saturday, April 23.

The exhibition will be on display now - Saturday, May 21. Admission to the Global Village Welcome Center is free. For more information about the Global Village Welcome Center, visit the Center's Facebook page.

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# The Pyramids at College Park Has a New Owner

**A PIKE TOWNSHIP LANDMARK IS BEING REDEVELOPED AND COLLEGE PARK SHOPS ADDED TO THE NORTHWEST SIDE.**

*By Carol Mullins, Staff Reporter*

Pike Township is home to the iconic Pyramids. The “Pyramids” at College park were constructed in 1967-1972 by College Life Insurance Company, now DBA Americo Life, Inc. The entire College Park business park constructed in the 1970’s encompasses over 615 acres. The investor and visionary behind this business park was John W. Burkhart, owner of the College Life Insurance company, a Phi Kappa Psi member and founder of the Indianapolis Business Journal. Two other well-known civic leaders were instrumental in the plans and included Beurt Servaas, a real-estate developer and civic leader, and Howard Peterson, father of former Mayor Bart Peterson. They envisioned

not only a business park, but a residential area, and of course, the college connection that would house a number national fraternity and sorority headquarters. This original community, business and residential park has shifted somewhat over the years, but the heart of education, philanthropy and innovation is still present. Over the years, the area was home to some pretty cool events. In the 90’s, several hot air balloon races launched from the lakefront grassy area as thousands gathered to enjoy a sense of community, fun, and colorful balloon display.



The architect for this unusual and bold design was Kevin Roche. Roche had been the key designer and planner for projects both in the United States and internationally, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art design. During 1967, he also began work as the principal designer for renowned architect Eero Saarinen. This history is an important and significant part of Pike Township and the Pyramids. The pyramid design was like no other in Indianapolis in the late 60’s and early 70’s. The mirrored glass and thick concrete slabs that cover the building, matched with the unique shape, reflect light onto nearby highway traffic, and mirror the large lake, clouds and blue sky. It is said, in just the

lender, nearby Teachers Credit Union. The three 11-story office buildings total 366,704 square feet of space. “As an Indianapolis-based real estate investment firm, we were very much interested in purchasing one of the most recognized office properties in the city,” President and CEO of KennMar, Brent Bengé said, “While the pandemic has created uncertainty around the office market, we are bullish on the sector and anticipate that businesses will eventually return to an in-person work setting over the next several years.” Bengé went on to say, “We want to create an office environment that gets people excited about returning to work. With this in mind, we have plans to redevelop the property by upgrading the façade, enhancing interior common areas, and adding some new external amenities that will rival newer office developments.”

right conditions, even aircraft that fly over Indianapolis can see these reflections.

Now in another era, Speedway developer, KennMar announced that it has acquired the iconic office park with the assistance of INVST LLC, an SEC, a registered investment advisor based in Indianapolis and with the help of its







President at JLL. “The Pyramids are home to some of Indy’s most reputable businesses and KennMar’s determination to redevelop areas within the city is something many of us are looking forward to. We are confident KennMar will make the most of this investment.”

KennMar development company looks for opportunities to revitalize neglected, deteriorating, or abandoned properties, and expand their use. By repurposing existing architecture, they hope to reduce the amount of demolition debris entering landfills and stimulate economic growth around redeveloped properties. Not only redevelopment, but new development at College Park Shops along Depauw Boulevard. The shops will house a Panera, Starbucks, retail and office space. The 10.5 acres include options for free standing multi-tenant spaces, restaurants, retail and office use. It’s a high traffic location, visible to nearly 50,000 vehicles per day on Michigan Road and over 130,000 vehicles per day on I-465. The site location is ideal as College Park is seeing a revitalization and growth that seeks to incorporate amenities for tenants and visitors to experience relaxing and aesthetically pleasing surroundings.

Nearby amenities include over 1.8M SF of office and retail, including Costco, Target,

Trader Joe’s, Home Depot, McNamara’s and At Home plus 50 restaurants. Just across the street, a professional, year-round theater performing Broadway and children’s productions offers an intimate setting for the community to enjoy something different. Adding in walkable restaurants and other amenities to the area will be welcomed. With both KennMar and Equivis focused on building out a product that serves the community and its tenants, this could be a hub of activity.

A workforce housing option is another innovative space conversion. PEG Companies is planning a workforce housing community along Founders Road. PEG acquired the extended stay hotel and converted it to quality Class-B multifamily product with a residential option also planned. PEG Companies, is based near Provo, Utah and has much success in similar conversions of residence to work housing in dozens of locations across the U.S. Finally, adding to the good work in resiliency, is Keep Indianapolis Beautiful Inc., who recruited staff and volunteers in planting over 200 trees along the College Park streets in 2021. These replaced the hundreds lost to blight and the emerald ash borer. Stay tuned for updates as they become available, and share your stories of history about the Pyramids and College Park.



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# It's Deanna from Indiana

## SPOTLIGHT ON THE OSCARS, GRAMMYS AND OUR LATEST PIKE HOMETOWN CELEBRITY

By Carol Mullins, Staff Reporter

Last week, Deanna Dixon returned to Indiana and Pike Township to celebrate life with her family and friends. This, after a whirlwind week in early April, which included singing with Beyoncé at the Oscars, with John Legend at the Grammys, and a release of her own single “Healed” on her 38th Birthday. What more could an artist ask for in a week? Deanna said, “It’s the journey unfolding in front of my eyes that is most exhilarating!”

Deanna graduated from Pike H.S. in 2002 and embraces her roots in Indiana when introducing herself to others as Deanna from Indiana.

She reminds me that this phrase serves two purposes, to make sure people pronounce her name correctly and to celebrate the people and family from her home

town that have supported her on the journey to success. The day I spoke with Deanna on the phone last week, she was sitting in her mother Christine Dixon’s home in Indianapolis

with her daughter Dakota on her lap. Three generations, mom, daughter, and granddaughter were planning for a family get together to celebrate success and each other. Deanna called this gathering, a “Framily BBQ.” Held at her father Robert’s home in Pike Township, her goal is to visit as many family members and friends as possible.

Deanna said her return to Indiana is both a beautiful and sad moment. Having been away for so long, she discovered recently, her 33 year old cousin is now in hospice, to receive care after a long, painful battle with cancer. Deanna said her cousin always wanted to sing and

Deanna hopes to share her music as a way to share hope and joy. Deanna said she believes in miracles and the healing power of music.

Deanna lived in Augusta Heights during high school and attended United Baptist Apostolic Church on Michigan Road. Her mother was the choir director and Deanna said, with warm

remembrance, how she lived, played, and sang both under and on the pews. Church was her second home and where she spent most of her time grow-



ing up. Singing was her life.

It was while attending Pike High School that she realized she could sing outside of church for fun. “The school was hosting a talent show called “Star Quest” and you had to have money to register. My mom has always been my biggest supporter and we went around Pike Township and the Crooked Creek area to all the neighborhoods. My mom helped me raise all the money to pay for the competition. My mom helped me sew my performance outfit and my brother helped with the music. My brother, who is also now a performer in Atlanta, also helped me. Back in the day, we were still using cassette tapes and he had to make his voice sound like God’s, and we created storm sounds as part of my performance. I won that year and it reinforced an even deeper dream of singing to make a living and I went on to American Idol.”

However, she reminded me, “the journey was long and had its share of ups and downs,” but she’s thankful for the sequence of events that added validity to this next chapter of her life. “When I was young, all I wanted was to sing. I knew growing up I planned on my voice and singing taking me around the world. Somewhere along the way, I allowed myself to stop be-

lieving. I said I need to be practical. I’m a mother and need to support my daughter. I told myself that being a singer couldn’t afford me the life I wanted to live. So I kept trying to be practical and ignore this dream.”

We talked about her travels to Los Angeles and the bold move to leave her job and follow her dream. She talked about believing in miracles. “I’ve been living in L.A. for the last 4 years, singing professionally with the Ke, (Kanye Sunday Service). During this tour, people kept saying, you should put out your own record, make a single of your own. The Sunday Service tours were keeping me afloat in L.A. Then when the pandemic came, it was a low point. Artists were not performing. I decided to take action, and began eating better and working out, to think about what my internal calling was, what it looks like artistically for me. I lost 45 pounds and got back to exercising. It was during one morning of workouts that I felt this inspiration, a song was welling up inside of me. I knew it was time to just step out in faith and follow my dreams.”

“It was also, at this same time, I was contacted to do work for another artist as a backup singer. I knew it was something for the Oscars, but didn’t know





with whom or what. During the taping, the director told us casually we would be working with Beyoncé! Let me tell you, Beyoncé was the performer I looked up to, and this was just amazing. Beyoncé is one of my favorites and biggest influencers. I was asked after this performance what I do next to top this. I have to say that's when I go back to my own artistry. With Beyoncé we performed "Be Alive," a hit single for the movie King Richard, a movie about Venus and Serena Williams' relationship with their father. The movie "King Richard" was nominated for Best Picture and this taping would air at the Academy Awards. I couldn't tell anyone, not my family or friends. I just kept saying, "I'm doing something big, watch the Oscars to find out."

The backdrop for the performance at the Oscars was taped prior to the show on a neon yellow tennis court in Compton, California and all the singers, including Deanna, were decked out in bright neon yellow. Deanna said the performance was surreal, and the total effect wasn't evident until she saw it all pulled together during the March 27 Oscar's release. "It was my Disneyland of experiences, and I couldn't



tell anyone until the Oscars aired and the performance went live."

"Now this was just the beginning, working with Beyoncé gave me the needed finesse to adjust my video for my new single called "Healed." After seeing how her video came together it inspired me to raise the bar on my own video. Her work and seeing how everything was pulled together gave me insights into my own artistry. When we filmed for Beyoncé we had beads in our hair, it was touching and brought back memories of how I grew up, and how I like to wear these same types of beads."

"After the Academy Awards and filming my own video, I was asked to do back up for John Legend at the Grammys. All of this was in a short week's span. It was amazing, how when I finally surrendered to my gifts, things began to fall into place. My single "Healed" was released just days later on April 3rd, my birthday."

While talking on the phone with Deanna, her six year old daughter Dakota and her mother sat nearby. "My mom Christine Dixon is a huge inspiration to my music. I live by her words, "walk on water, by faith not sight." "My mom has worked in education and is also a very skilled painter and hosts paint parties. My daughter Dakota is also a painter because of her grandma." Dakota's giggles were infectious and I could hear the voice and laughter of a beautiful little soul as she shared her love of spending time with her uncles, grandpa, and painting with her grandma.

Deanna said her mother has been her strongest ally and encourager and you can support Deanna's work by supporting her mom. Follow her mother's painting party business, Creatively Christine LLC on Instagram. (creativelychristine66)

I asked what the inspiration for the single, "Healed" was. "Talking to my brother and mom, I've had so many ebbs and flows being a singer and in the music industry. So many times I've moved away from it. I was riding on my bike and the song came to me and I realized that everything I needed was already inside me and that little girl still believed in her dream. This was so healing for me and my community and anybody who has given up on their dreams. Filled with a lot of rejection and failure and God had healed me and filled me." Deanna stressed throughout our conversation that family is everything to her, and her daughter will always come first in any work she does.

When asked if there is any chance she would ever come back to Indiana. Deanna said, "Before, if you asked me this, I would have a different answer. I almost came back at the end of last winter during the pandemic because family is everything to me. As long as I am afforded an opportunity to do

what I love I'll never say never."

You can follow Deanna Dixon on instagram at iamdeannadixon and get inspired by her words that encourage you to seek your dreams and act on faith. You can access her single "Healed" on any streaming service. "When I finally stopped resisting the call on my life, the world opened its arms to me and showed me instantly that all of my dreams have been waiting on me. I'm grateful to witness the impact of full alignment and the stamp of approval that I'm moving in the right direction!"

*Deanna said, "I feel seen, I feel heard, and I feel aligned, and that is pure GOLD!"*







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# IMPD Northwest District welcomes public to new HQ

## GRAND OPENING IN MAY

*By IMPD*

The Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department's Northwest District had its first in-person meeting at its new district headquarters on March 10th.

It's the first time community members could see the new building near Pike Plaza. The 14,000-square-foot facility is in the area known as the International MarketPlace.

Pike Township leaders say it was important to keep the new headquarters close by. "Anytime you can have a building where we can come together and collaborate and talk about community issues is fantastic. It's what's needed. It keeps the conversation going and we all want to live in a community where we feel safe," said Pike Township Trustee Annette M. Johnson.

A grand opening for the building, 4005 Office Plaza Blvd., will be on May 9th from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



**IMPD NORTHWEST DISTRICT**

**GRAND OPENING**

**5-9-2022**

**10 AM - 1 PM**

The poster features a photograph of the IMPD Northwest District building, a two-story brick structure with large windows, set against a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image in a clean, sans-serif font.



# The Pike Township Fire Department is hiring!

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ELIGIBILITY

By PTFD

The Pike Township Fire Department will be taking applications for the establishment of a new hiring eligibility list. This list will then be used to hire firefighters for the next two years.

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3. The oral interview, which gives candidates an opportunity to answer a structured set of questions.

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**FUNDING PART OF \$3.4 MILLION SECURED BY CONGRESSMAN ANDRÉ CARSON FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

*By Susan Decker*

INDIANAPOLIS - The Global Village Welcome Center will receive \$500,000 specifically to support youth programming as part of funding secured by Congressman André Carson. The Global Village Welcome Center will use the funding toward implementing programs to help kids explore and learn about cultures from around the world.

Overall, Carson helped obtain \$3.4 million for the 7th Congressional District to be used for community projects as part of the American Rescue Act of 2021. The funding is part of the \$1.5 trillion dollar legislation recently signed by President Biden.

"We are honored to receive this funding and grateful to Congressman André Carson for working tirelessly to support our community," said Mary Clark, executive director of the International Marketplace Coalition. "This funding will allow us to further our mission of shrinking the globe and creating a village, educating the youth in our community about cultures from around the world."

Through immersive and interactive educational experiences, participating

youth will have the opportunity to learn about cultures from around the world through food, music and the arts. Programming will begin in 2023.

"The Global Village Welcome Center is a gem of our community, embodying the Hoosier values of hospitality, kindness and inclusion. I am a great supporter of its mission to make everybody feel welcome by celebrating the rich cultural tapestry of central Indiana," said Congressman André Carson. "This funding that I was honored to secure will no doubt strengthen that important work, and help more kids learn to appreciate and respect our differences. I'll continue doing all I can to support the Global Village Welcome Center and uplift the diversity that makes Indiana and our country so special."

Indy's Global Village Welcome Center provides a place for exploration and education where all cultures can explore, connect and celebrate their traditions. The International Marketplace Coalition developed the Global Village Welcome Center to be the ultimate cultural destination in the Midwest. The 56,000 square-foot cultural center features galleries representing all inhabited continents, an event hall, gift shop and other functional spaces. For more information, visit IMCoalition.org.



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Indy's International Marketplace Coalition serves as a nonprofit organization comprised of businesses, concerned citizens and community leaders who encourage economic growth and development on the northwest side of Indianapolis. For 16 years, the International Marketplace Coalition has actively worked to transform the 2.5-mile area into a thriving cultural, commercial and

connected destination that is now home to more than 900 businesses representing cultures from around the world. In 2021, the International Marketplace Coalition opened the Global Village Welcome Center, a 56,000 square foot facility where cultures from around the world are experienced and celebrated within cultural galleries and other functional spaces. For more information, visit [IMCoalition.org](http://IMCoalition.org).

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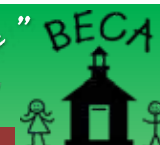
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- Your letter should be fewer than 300 words. I may, however, allow for longer letters, but may have to split your message between publications.
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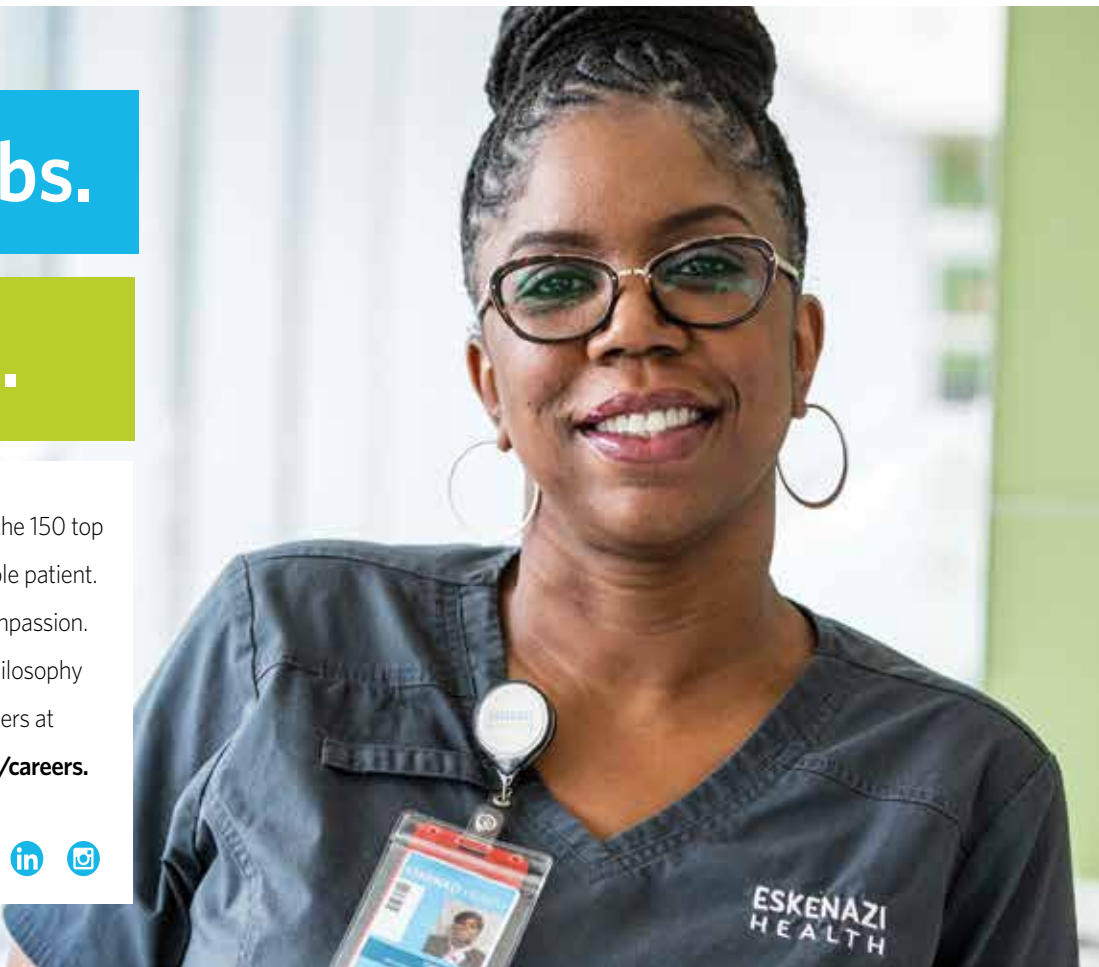
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