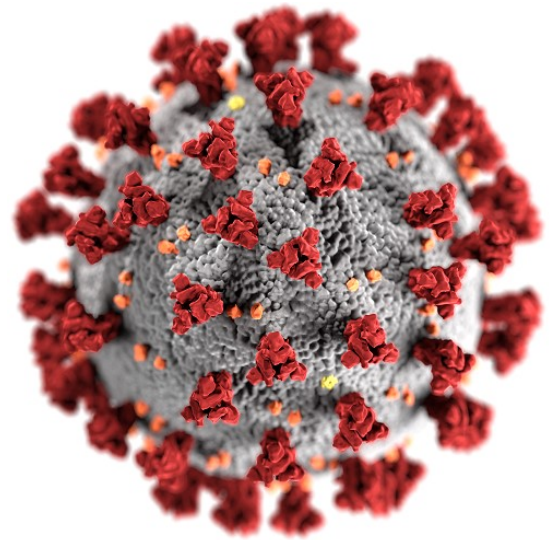


## Block Hosts Needed More Than Ever to Assist Neighbors

Dear Neighbors,

When we talked about bringing back the Block Host program, we could not have imagined what would be going on today. Yet, a public health crisis like the one we face now is exactly why we believe that engaging with neighbors block by block is so important.

We hope that many of you will consider signing up to be a block host at [www.bit.ly/BlockHostDetails](http://www.bit.ly/BlockHostDetails), but more importantly, we hope that all of you will find a way to support your neighbors during this time. Check on your neighbors! Text or call if you can, or knock on their door. There may someone on your block that can't leave their home, needs help with something, or may be unaware of what's going on. If you learn about a need greater than you can assist with, let me know and I'll share with the team. I'm pretty sure if we pooled all our resources, we would have enough toilet paper and other essentials for everyone.



Thank you for being a part of this neighborhood – we'll get through this together as long as we look out for each other.

- To get in touch with me: [BlockHosts@bateshendricks.org](mailto:BlockHosts@bateshendricks.org) or text: (202) 553-9270
- To reach out to our neighborhood President: [president@bateshendricks.org](mailto:president@bateshendricks.org)
- CDC Coronavirus (COVID-19) website: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)
- City of Indianapolis resources: [www.indy.gov/topic/covid](http://www.indy.gov/topic/covid)
- State of Indiana resources: [www.in.gov/coronavirus](http://www.in.gov/coronavirus)
- Indy Chamber resources: [www.response.indychamber.com](http://www.response.indychamber.com)

We'll be keeping tabs on updates as they come from the city, state, and other resources.

–Ashley Eason, Block Host Coordinator

## Annual Meeting Postponed

Our annual neighborhood association meeting, where we vote on Board directors and recap on the prior year, has been postponed at least a month. It is tentatively scheduled for May 4 at 6:30pm, but we will of course be following the latest recommendations on public gatherings and adjust the date again if needed. Follow our calendar ([www.bateshendricks.org/calendar](http://www.bateshendricks.org/calendar)) and/or our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks)) for the most up-to-date information.

## Baumann Park Ribbon-Cutting Celebration Postponed



The new playground is in at Baumann Park, but we've had to push back the ribbon-cutting ceremony. We tentatively plan to have the event on July 18 from noon to 200pm at the park, which is located at 1868 Singleton Street (at the corner of Beecher Street and Singleton Street). We'll unveil the playground and our new sign to thank community partners who made it possible. All families are welcome, and we'll provide hot dogs and snacks. Follow the event on Facebook at:

[www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events).

## Neighbors Enjoyed Another Chili Cook-Off at the Southside Turnverein

In better times, on Saturday, February 29, neighbors and friends gathered at Point Comfort's Southside Turnverein for another Bates-Hendricks Chili Cook-Off. Point Comfort Underwriters were kind enough to lend us their basement lease space for a second year to host the event.

Competition was fierce, with 16 chilis available for tasting this year along with some kid-friendly food for the children's area! Mayor Hogsett stopped by and Girl Scouts were on hand selling cookies to neighbors as well.



Our three judges – Thadeus from Two Chicks and Hammer, Tiffany from BLNKPG/1718 House Bar, and Tyler Giffel as a previous winner – tasted each chili and expertly ranked them. The winners took home custom engraved wooden spoons in the category of Best Vegetarian (Andy Eason), Best Red (Cody Long), Best White (Susan Gaw), and the coveted People's Choice (Rob Uppencamp)! Nearly \$1,000 was raised to put back into our community for various projects this year. An enormous thank you to all who came out, our sponsors, judges, participants, and volunteers – this wouldn't have been a success without you!

# 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 the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Matt Nunley, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at [bateshendricks.org](http://bateshendricks.org).



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## Upcoming

Regular, in-person committee meetings have been cancelled until further notice to limit public gatherings. Instead, some committees may choose to continue meeting online over the coming weeks. Follow our calendar ([www.bateshendricks.org/calendar](http://www.bateshendricks.org/calendar)) and/or our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/bateshendricks](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks)) for the most up-to-date information for each committee.

As of this publication date, regular trash and recycling pickup services, as well as heavy trash pickup, are still on their normal schedule in our neighborhood. Follow our calendar or updates from the City of Indianapolis for potential changes to these services.

- Apr 9, 23** Republic Recycling Pickup. More info at [www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling](http://www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling).
- Apr 9** Online 2nd Thursday Supper Club, 6:30pm. Join your neighbors for this virtual get-together! Please RSVP on the events page, which can be found at [www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events](http://www.facebook.com/bateshendricks/events), or by emailing [Events@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Events@bateshendricks.org). This month's location is online: [www.bit.ly/BHNAMeet](http://www.bit.ly/BHNAMeet).
- Apr 20** Online Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm. This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact [Marketing@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Marketing@bateshendricks.org) for more information.
- Apr 21** Heavy Trash Pickup. More info at [www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx](http://www.indy.gov/eGov/City/DPW/Trash/Pages/TrashHome.aspx).
- May 4** **Tentatively scheduled Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, Immanuel United Church of Christ, 402 Prospect 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!**