



From the Office of the Mayor



Mayor Sakbun with Pete Buttigieg Secretary of Transportation on a recent trip to D.C.



Mayor Sakbun and his colleagues met with US Congressman Bucshon.

Welcome to the monthly newsletter from The Office of the Mayor, curated by Mayor Brandon Sakbun himself. This newsletter highlights upcoming city events, street closures, city project updates, public safety information, and whatever else Mayor Brandon thinks you all, the citizens, should be informed of.

"We had an interesting month filled with a city update and responding to the recent round of storms. I wanted to commend our Wastewater Department, Street Department, Cemetery Department, and Parks Department. We were able to open major roads within 18 hours. The departments have now focused on brush and tree limb pick up. This storm tested our city personnel and reinforced our relationships with utility providers and county government.

On a separate note, our Parks Department has increased its programming and events offered in our parks. Please make sure to check out the summer events listed on the city website. This administration hopes to provide increased summer recreational programs through day camps, sports, and activities each summer.

-Mayor Brandon Sakbun

Statement on the Mayor's recent D.C. Trip

In an effort to voice concerns and opportunities for Terre Haute and West Central Indiana, Mayor Brandon Sakbun will be taking a short one-day trip to our nation's capital. The Mayor will be discussing a host of topics including but not limited to:

1. The Destination Wabash Project
2. Federal Railroad Elimination (Overpass) Projects and Grants
3. Support for veterans and the 181st Intelligence Wing
4. Interstate 70's long-term and short-term plan for funding
5. Infrastructure improvements regarding stormwater and wastewater

Mayor Sakbun plans to meet with several members of the Indiana Congressional Delegation along with officials from the Department of Defense and the Department of Transportation. Notably, the Mayor will meet with Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg during his visit.

"The city of Terre Haute will continue to advocate for itself in a bipartisan manner. I look forward to meeting with leaders from both sides of the aisle in an effort to elevate the city of Terre Haute. The administration

remains committed to working with the federal government to bring our tax dollars back here to the Hoosier state.”

-Mayor Brandon Sakbun



If you could not attend the 2024 City Update, you can now watch the full City Update presentation I gave on June 18th. I hope it conveyed Terre Haute's upward trajectory and my optimism for an even better tomorrow.

-Mayor Brandon Sakbun

JULY CITY EVENTS

Check out what city events are happening this month in Terre Haute!

[Event List](#)

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

Department of Sewage Billing

CURRENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDATES

[Have you applied for your summer watering allowance?](#)

It's summertime! For many, that means increased water



JULY STREET CLOSURES

Click [Here](#) to view all of the planned street closures within the city limits for the month of June.*

*For additional Street closure information please follow our City of Terre Haute Facebook page.



Mayor Brandon Sakbun during the first 'Mile with the Mayor' in May. Join the next 'Mile with the Mayor' today, July 1st. Continue reading for more information.

usage either by filing a pool, watering your lawn/plants, or from just having fun. The Sewage Billing Department understands this and therefore, we offer what's called a Summer Allowance. For those who have lived at their residence for at least 12 months, you can apply for a possible credit to be posted to your account the following year. Please keep in mind that you are still responsible for the high bill(s) over the summer. [Click here](#) to complete our Summer Allowance form.

Recycling Rebates Available!

Do you currently have a recycling account with Republic Services? If your trash is included in your sewage bill, you could qualify for a 50% rebate on the trash portion of your bill. All you need to do is provide our office a copy of your most recent Republic recycling bill either in person or electronically to qualify for the quarterly rebate on your bill. To send your recycling bill electronically, our email address is sewagebilling@terrehaute.in.gov.

Location Location Location!

Did you know there are multiple ways and places you can pay your Sewage/Trash bill? The easiest way is to set up EZ-Pay. Use the information on your bill to go online and set it up today and save yourself the hassle. One great way to pay your bill is to bring it to our office, which is located on the 2nd floor of City Hall, at 17 Harding Ave, Terre Haute, IN 47807. Our office is open Monday through Friday, 8am to 4pm. You can even drop off your payment after-hours in our drop box, located at the West entrance of City Hall. Can't make it to our office, please [click here](#) for other payment locations. All bills are due on the 14th of every month, so mark your calendar today with a reminder.

Leaks happen! What to do you when you have one!

Leaks are a very common occurrence. The best way to be conscious of a leak is to look at the section of your bill that shows your usage. If ever there is a severe usage spike or growing usage trend, neither of which you can explain, that is a good indicator that you have a leak somewhere. The three steps to notifying our office of a leak are **Report, Repair, & Record**. Want to know more? [Click here](#) to learn how you can request consideration for a leak adjustment.

Need assistance paying your bill?

Are you or someone you know in need of assistance with their sewage bill? There is help available for those who qualify. One option is the **Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance Program**. They can be reached at 317-800-6000 or by calling 211. Another option is to contact your local Trustee's Office for guidance on utility assistance and how to qualify.

Own Rental Properties?

As a property owner, it is your responsibility to ensure the sewage/trash bills are paid for your rental properties. If these bills go unpaid, any balances can become a lien against the property. If the sewage bills are in your tenant's name, you

can check your tenant's account balances 24/7 on the City of Terre Haute Sewage Bill Records Portal. [Click here](#) to access this useful tool today!



Mayor Sakbun in attendance of the THPD Junior Police Academy Graduation.



If you sign up for curbside recycling with Republic, you are able to get a 50% rebate on the service that will be credited to your trash bill from the city.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR INCREASED **RECYCLING REBATE**

THE RECYCLING REBATE THAT IS OFFERED TO CITY RESIDENTS WILL BE INCREASED FROM 25% TO 50%

If you want curbside recycling through Republic, visit their website or contact them at 812-298-2100.

Provide a copy of your recycling bill to Sewage and Billing to be opted into the rebate. For more information, contact them at 812-244-2343.



Upcoming Sidewalk Improvement Projects

Terre Haute Sidewalk Initiative

See below the upcoming improvements slated near the 12 Points Area and Poplar Street. We will bring these up to City Council on July 11th.



Upcoming Projects



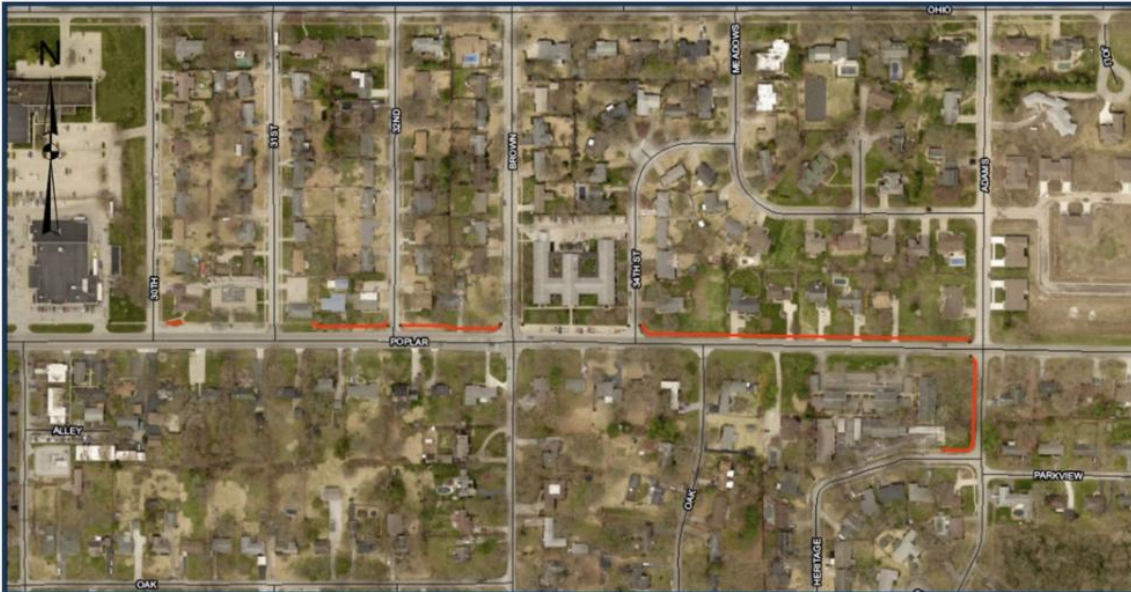
12 Points Area

Legend
Sidewalk Evaluation Data

Type

- Curb
- Curb and Gutter
- Drive
- Monolithic
- Sidewalk
- Curb Ramp Evaluation Data

Upcoming Projects



Poplar Heritage Lane-30th St.

Legend

- Poplar St Curb Ramps
- Poplar_St_Sidewalk_Extension



A Message from Rick Burger

Government & Community Relations Manager



Summer has arrived with a heat wave that is expected to stretch into next week. We understand that along with higher temperatures, energy consumption will be on the rise for most of us. To help save on utility bills, we've developed this Summer Toolkit to share with your networks.

Understand Your Energy Use

[Track your daily energy use](#) and adjust usage habits to help save on your bill. Watch this [short video](#) to see how it works.

Helpful Solutions

Check out our energy efficiency tips, money-saving programs and other helpful resources to reduce summer bill impacts. You may find the attached folder helpful—it contains three fact sheets with information about financial assistance, energy efficiency tips and the Share the Light Fund®. Feel free to forward these to your contacts, print them to hand out as needed or share their [availability online](#).

You may also wish to provide information about one or more of the following:

- [Share the Light Fund®](#) offers one-time assistance to eligible customers.
- [Home Energy House Call](#) is a free home energy assessment that allows customers to learn how their homes use energy and find ways to save.
- [Financial assistance](#) may be available through local, state and federal programs.
- [Installment plans](#) make paying off larger bill amounts more manageable.
- [Lower My Bill Toolkit](#) helps take steps toward saving energy and understanding energy use.

Additional summer-saving ideas can be found at duke-energy.com/LowerBills.



A MILE WITH THE MAYOR

JOIN MAYOR BRANDON SAKBUN FOR A MONTHLY "MILE WITH THE MAYOR" WALK THIS SUMMER! EACH WALK WILL TAKE PLACE AT A LOCAL PARK OR MUNICIPAL TRAIL WITHIN THE CITY OF TERRE HAUTE PARK SYSTEM.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN A 1-MILE WALK WITH THE MAYOR THROUGH OUR BEAUTIFUL, LOCAL TRAILS AND PARKS. ENJOY THE OUTDOORS, GET YOUR STEPS IN, AND MEET THE MAYOR!

CHECK OUT THE TERRE HAUTE PARKS AND RECREATION FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES AND REMINDERS

 START AT 6 PM




MAYOR BRANDON SAKBUN

MEET-UP DATES AND LOCATIONS

-  **MAY 1**  JONES TRAILHEAD
-  **JUNE 4**  DOBBS PARK NATURE CENTER
-  **JULY 1**  FAIRBANKS PARK ARCH
-  **AUGUST 6**  DEMING PARK TORNER CENTER
-  **SEPTEMBER 1**  ISU STADIUM


Terre Haute
parks & recreation
FOR MORE INFORMATION

 (812) 232-0147



"Join me in person for a leisurely walk around our beautiful parks and trails while we discuss our city, plans, and hang out! Let's all take STEPS to improve the public health in our community."

-Mayor Brandon



WHAT IS AN ORDINANCE?

An ordinance is a law created by a local government, such as a city council or county board of supervisors. Local governments can only create laws on matters that the state government says they can.

UNDERSTANDING OUR

CITY ORDINANCES



TRASH ORDINANCE UPDATE FOR THE TERRE HAUTE SANITARY DISTRICT

The fee for the cost of “Waste and Refuse Collection and Removal for Residential Customers” is your monthly trash fee for your trash service.

Since 2019, the rate has been \$11.00. Beginning on July 1, 2024 this rate will increase. Each year, the rate will resume increasing ~3.3% as it did in the past. The rates will be evaluated every 3 years.

Current & Scheduled Trash Fee Rates

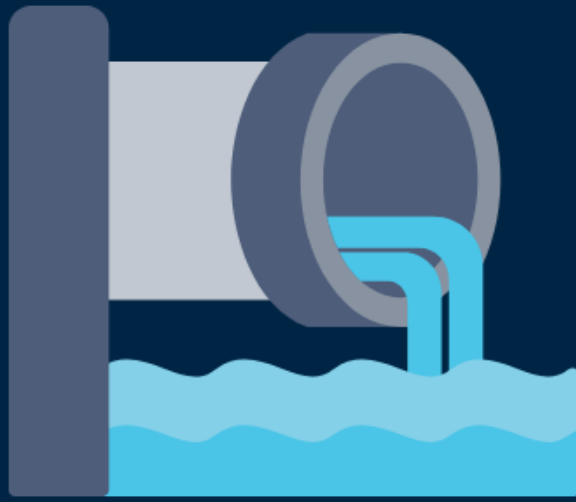
July 1st, 2019	\$11.00 per month
July 1st, 2024	\$15.00 per month
July 1st, 2025	\$15.50 per month
July 1st, 2026	\$16.00 per month

IF YOU ARE; Over 65, blind or disabled, a disabled veteran or a surviving spouse, and have filed and been granted a deduction on your property taxes by the **County Auditor**, you are eligible for a **33%** monthly credit/discount on your bill.

With Available Credit Homeowner

July 1st, 2019	\$8.25 per month
July 1st, 2024	\$10.05 per month
July 1st, 2025	\$10.38 per month
July 1st, 2026	\$10.72 per month

The recycling rebate that is offered to city residents will be increased from 25% to 50%. 



WHY THIS ORDINANCE?

This ordinance is aimed at enhancing the health, safety, and general welfare of our community through improved stormwater management. It is a step forward in protecting our waterways and ensuring a healthier environment for all.

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NEW STORMWATER MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT FOR TERRE HAUTE

Key components of the ordinance:

- Prohibition of Non-Stormwater Discharges
- Illicit Connections and Discharges
- Responsibilities for Industrial and Construction Activities
- Monitoring and Enforcement
- Best Management Practices
- Public Notification and Education
- Penalties for Non-Compliance
- Emergency Measures



For more information, visit our city website for the full ordinance



WHY THIS ORDINANCE?

To reaffirm our commitment to ethical practices in public spending, ensuring that all city projects are carried out by responsible and qualified contractors.

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NEW CRITERIA FOR RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTORS BIDDING ON CITY PROJECTS

This ordinance applies to any city contract or service for public works costing at least \$150,000. Public works include construction, reconstruction, alteration, or renovation of public buildings, highways, streets, bridges, and other infrastructure.

Criteria for Bidders:

- Comply with all relevant laws
- Provide evidence of a federal employer identification number.
- Confirm non-discrimination practices.
- Provide certificates of insurance.
- Submit a statement on employee classification and drug testing plans.
- Disclose information about past legal violations, tax delinquencies, and previous project experience.
- Utilize approved apprenticeship programs.

OTHER ELEMENTS INCLUDE: Ensuring all subcontractors meet the criteria and submit necessary documentation before starting work, submitting weekly certified payroll reports, all submission and payroll reports will be public record and false information will result in consequences, procedures for not chosen bidders and ties, etc.

[For more information, visit our city website for the full ordinance](#)

OUR CITY RECYCLING LOCATION IS OPEN!

THE STREETS DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT 1329 Deming Street Terre Haute, IN 47807 IS NOW ACCEPTING RECYCLABLES!

ITEMS MUST BE PLACED LOOSELY IN BIN!



NO GLASS, PLASTIC BAGS, LOOSE PLASTIC WRAP, OR PIZZA BOXES. DO NOT BRING YOUR TRASH HERE.

EMPTY, CLEAN, AND DRY, ITEMS ONLY 

ACCEPTABLE

PAPER

ENVELOPES, JUNK MAIL, PHONE BOOKS, BROCHURES, MAGAZINES

CARDBOARD

FILE FOLDERS, POSTER BOARD, FROZEN FOOD BOXES, CARDBOARD BOXES, MILK CARTONS

PLASTIC (1,2,5 ONLY)

WATER BOTTLES, TAKE-OUT CONTAINERS, SODA BOTTLES, MILK JUGS, DETERGENT CONTAINERS

ALUMINUM/METAL

ALUMINUM DRINK CANS, FOOD CANS, SCRAP METAL

UNACCEPTABLE

- AEROSOL CANS
- ALUMINUM FOIL
- BATTERIES
- CLOTHING
- FOOD SCRAPS
- MIRRORS
- CERAMIC
- PLASTIC BAGS
- SHREDDED PAPER
- STICKERS/ADDRESS LABELS
- STYROFOAM
- PAPER TOWELS
- ALL GLASS



CONTAMINATION WILL RESULT IN CLOSING RECYCLING SITES. DO THE RIGHT THING.

The City has received the larger front loading recycling bin. However, our glass recycling efforts have been delayed due to conflicts with equipment shipping. We will continue to update as needed.



Historic Highland Lawn and Woodlawn Cemeteries are now offering burial plots, providing an opportunity to rest in a place of timeless beauty and heritage.

For more information, please contact the Highland Lawn office at 812-877-2531.



My T.H. 311+

Do you have a municipal issue to report?
Large item pickup at your city residence?
Contact 311! A **FREE** city resource.

[How to contact](#) | [What can I report?](#)

MATTRESS AND LARGE ITEM DROP OFF LOCATION

City residents are being offered a new service from Vigo County!

Vigo County Solid Waste Management has opened a collection site taking in old mattresses and living room furniture.

Drop off items at 3230 E Haythorne Ave.*
Every Mon, Tues, Wed- 9am to 3:30pm
First Saturday of every month- 10am to 2pm

*Limit of 2 mattresses/box springs per visit, limit of one couch/love seat/recliner per visit.



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