

From the Office of the Mayor

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



Mayor Sakbun at August's *Mingle with the Mayor*event on August 13th, 2024.

Photo by Carey LaBella

"Let's have a great September Hauteans! Get out there and enjoy our fall events around TH" -Mayor Sakbun

"The investments continue to roll into Terre Haute. GATX's expansion has been approved by our City Council. Infrastructure improvements have taken place across the community and we are building momentum. The city welcomed thousands of students into our community. We are wishing the best of luck to our Sycamores and students from the Vigo County School Corporation. Faculty and staff from our universities and schools are a valuable asset to our community. We all owe them a collective thank you. Let's finish the summer strong!"

-Mayor Brandon Sakbun

TERRE TOWN CONNECT

SEPTEMBER

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

Event List | CVB Events



Terre Town Residents

WE NEED TO
HEAR FROM YOU
BY SEPT. 6TH



View the planned street closures within the city limits for the month of September.

Closure List

Additional Street closure information- <u>City of Terre</u> <u>Haute Facebook page</u>.







SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2024 FAIRBANKS PARK

Come out to enjoy live music, food trucks, view the balloons and baskets, and watch the balloon ascension at dusk!

Single Day Tickets Adult (13+) - \$10

Adult (13+) - \$10 Child (3 to 12) - \$5 Youth (0-2) - FREE Weekend Tickets

Adult (13+) - \$15 Child (3 to 12) - \$10 Youth (0-2) - FREE

Must purchase festival T-shirts, tethered balloon rides, and 5K Run/Walk registration separate.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.TerreHauteBalloons.com

Ticket prices increase \$5 per ticket at the gate Balloon flights and displays are weather dependent





Terre Town residents, your input is vital! The Terre Town Connect Project is an incredible opportunity to connect your home to public utility water improving water quality, fire safety and increasing property values. Limited-time funding is available to cover connection costs, but we need to hear from Terre Town residents by September 6 to see if the project is able to move forward.

Visit <u>www.TerreTownConnect.com</u> to express your interest.

PROJECT UPDATES

BROWN AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

FROM WALLACE AVE TO DEAN AVE

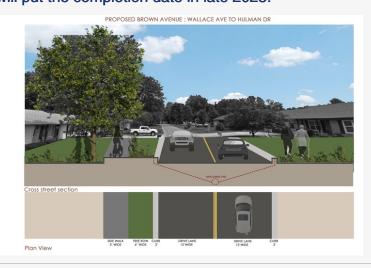
Phase I – Wallace to Hulman St

Phase II - Hulman St to Dean Ave

Bid Price - \$3,656,355,58

Schedule – Project time is 450 calendar days from issuance of notice to proceed.

This will put the completion date in late 2025.



HERZ-ROSE PARK

- The bid opening for the construction project is scheduled for August 26th, during the Board of Public Works meeting.
- Construction is set to begin in the Fall 2024. This project is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act.

 The city is excited to collaborate with Art spaces for the integration of public art installation within the park.



PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

DRUG TASK FORCE INVESTIGATIONS

Over the past month, the Vigo County Drug Task Force has been actively engaged in multiple investigations, resulting in significant successes which have led to the arrest of three individuals and the seizure of large quantities of illegal narcotics, currency, and firearms.

The investigations resulted in the confiscation of over \$100,000 in U.S. currency, more than five pounds of marijuana, three pounds of methamphetamine, over 1,000 illegal THC vape cartridges, and several firearms. The Vigo County Drug Task Force collaborated closely with various agencies, including the Terre Haute Police Department K9 Unit, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), representatives from the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) program, and the Vigo County Prosecutor's Office.

As a result of these investigations, 3 individuals have been arrested and charged.

These arrests and seizures are a testament to the dedication and cooperation among local, state, and federal agencies in the ongoing battle against drug trafficking in our community.

THPD SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

The Terre Haute Police Department's Social Work Program has made significant strides in bridging the gap between law enforcement and social services. Since its inception, the program has received

200 referrals from police officers, community members, outside agencies, and self-referrals. (Numbers pulled on June 1, 2024)

50% of these referrals have led to successful connections with community agencies for further services.



MUSIC AT THE CROSSROADS



LINIBUP: TAILGATE REVIVAL 5:00 PM BIG FUN BAND 6:30 PM NEAL MCCOY 8:00 PM

Downtown Terre Haute:



This event benefits Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Wabasi Valley and Chances And Services for Youth.

www.musicatthecrossroads.cor









-Mayor Brandon

Among the referrals, 25 individuals have sought assistance from the THPD Social Work Program more than once, underscoring the ongoing need for support within the community.

The social worker's role has evolved into a critical liaison between law enforcement and specialized agencies addressing drug addiction, homelessness, and crisis intervention. These agencies are often not involved in real-time police interactions, making the social worker's involvement invaluable.

The THPD is considering the creation of a Crisis Team, which would include a mental health social worker, a case social worker, EMS personnel, and a law enforcement officer. This team would respond to crisis incidents, enhancing the department's ability to address complex situations with a multidisciplinary approach.

The success of the THPD Social Work Program is attributed to the strong collaboration between the City, Police Department, medical professionals, mental health experts, and social services.

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41/40 WAYFINDING SIGNS UPDATE

On December 17, 2018, the Indiana Arts Commission formally recognized Terre Haute as one of the ten cities in Indiana that are acknowledged as having an arts and cultural district. An Advisory Board was formed to manage, draw visitors, and engage the existing community with Arts and Culture. Arc Design was hired to help with Wayfinding design and a Wayfinding Committee was formed. Signage prototypes were fabricated and a field survey was conducted. This helped to determine the final locations. Coordination is ongoing between all other groups working on Wayfinding throughout the city and county. This project is funded by the Capital Improvements Board and not the city's general or EDIT fund.





PARK & 17TH STREET UPDATE

Progress pictures from Park Street and 17th Street which are currently being milled and paved.









OUR CITY RECYCLING LOCATION IS NOW ACCEPTING GLASS!

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





Recent Ordinance Updates

The last few newsletters have include a series of Ordinances and Updates. In case you missed them, visit the <u>Ordinances & Updates</u> section on our website underneath the Mayor's Office. Previous updates include:

- New Stormwater Management Improvement
- New Criteria for Responsible Bidders
- Right-of-Way and Utility Maintenance Update
- Trash Ordinance Update
- Recycling Rebate Increase



https://www.terrehaute.in.gov/mayors-office/ordinances-updates

311 Citizen Contact Center



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

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