



Madison on the Move



MADISON ON THE MOVE: Destination Development

"Investments in these types of projects and programs are critical to Madison and to the overall environment and the community. This helps drive quality of life and it makes Madison known outside of just people who live here," said John Grote, City of Madison Redevelopment Commission President. "I think right now Madison is in a renaissance. It's exploding and there are areas -- I've lived here for the last 25 years -- that were just empty and now are thriving with activity and excitement."

Check out our latest Madison on the Move video highlighting some of the recent destination development projects around the city!

Senior Center Ribbon Cutting



The Ribbon-Cutting at the Senior Center was a Huge Success!

The beautifully renovated space was filled with lively chatter and excitement as we celebrated the fresh life invested in the center. Thanks to partners at the City and Lifetime Resources, this center is once again filled with energy and excitement.

"Our quality of life initiatives are for Madisonians of all ages. The investments made to make the Senior Center an inviting space while adding new programming for our active senior community have enhanced the quality of life for the seniors in Madison and the surrounding areas. From one generation to the next, the activities and opportunities that this facility offers expand well beyond the walls of this building," said Madison's Mayor Bob Courtney.

The Senior Center, located at 208 W. Main Street, is open Monday through Thursday, 10 AM to 4 PM, and offers various activities for our active senior community.

National Night Out



This Year's National Night Out Celebration was a Hit!

It was great to see so many people come out to support our police and fire departments. A HUGE thank-you to City of

Madison Fire Department for running the incredible splash zone, Jefferson County Indiana Sheriff's Office for the amazing K-9 unit demonstration, City of Madison Police Department for serving everyone grilled hotdogs and hamburgers, PHI Medical Madison, Kangaroos Family Fun Center and Kona Ice for joining us and helping make the night such a success in the community.

It was a wonderful night filled with lots of smiles. We hope to see you again next year!



Bethany Legacy Foundation & MPD Grant



Pictured: The Freedom Center Executive Director, Liz Cooper, Bethany Legacy Foundation President and CEO, Dora Anim, Madison Mayor Bob Courtney, MPD Detective Shawn Scudder, and MPD Chief of Police John I Wallace.

The City of Madison Police Department Awarded \$100,000 from Bethany Legacy Foundation for Police Advocacy and Support Services (PASS)

The new program will provide mental health services for MPD officers and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

"Community safety is a top priority of mine and that starts with strengthening our law enforcement resources to ensure our officers are equipped to serve and protect our citizens," said Madison's Mayor Bob Courtney. "The mental health of our law enforcement officers is often overlooked because they are busy caring for everyone else, this grant provides us the opportunity to care for them. We are grateful to the Bethany Legacy Foundation for their support and investment in our public safety officers."

At no cost to the city or our officers, PASS will provide mental health and counseling service to 93 officers in Jefferson County. One mandatory mental health counseling session per year will be required, and officers may choose to attend four additional sessions per year, to which they can bring their spouse or significant others, at no additional cost. Officers will be required to attend additional sessions following any critical incident that they experience while on duty. Services will be provided by The Freedom Center. "We believe this program is going to bring a positive change for the Madison Police Department, and in turn, a positive change for the City of Madison. In a profession where we see and deal with some of the worst circumstances that this world has to offer, we must offer an outlet for our officers to unload that heavy burden. We are grateful for the support the Bethany Legacy Foundation has provided to make this program possible," said MPD Detective Shawn Scudder.

"Our law enforcement works hard to protect and serve our residents. Investing in their wellbeing and that of their families ultimately helps provide even better service to our community," said Bethany Legacy Foundation President and CEO Dora Anim.

A New Testing Center: Ivy Tech Now Hosting Air Program Testing In-House



A New Testing Center Takes Off

The ribbon-cutting ceremony at the *Madison Municipal Airport KIMS* was an excellent time to celebrate all that the airport is doing, and visitors and leaders from *Ivy Tech Madison* were able to see more of what happens within the facility's inner workings.

Airport staff gave insightful tours of different hangars and aircraft, with various engineers and pilots showcasing their hard work and attesting to the training program's value.

The testing center's opening is only possible through the immense dedication of both the airport and Ivy Tech staff. Coinciding with National Aviation Week, this partnership centralizes the air training program so trainees can now fully complete the school here in town. Being able to certify and train pilots of all kinds, this program is an excellent asset to the city, airport and Ivy Tech Madison campus.

We are proud of this hard-won accomplishment and thank the Madison Municipal Airport for the tour!



Park Project Progress



Crystal Beach Aquatic Park & Gaines Park

Teams have been working non-stop on the pool, and things are really starting to take shape! You can now see the walls and floor for the deep end of the pool, and the lazy river area is also starting to pop up. Thanks, <u>Spear</u> <u>Corporation</u>, for these incredible photos of the recent progress! Jump on the live stream of the project site or learn more details about design, timelines, funding sources, and more online at <u>madison-in.gov/crystalbeachproject</u>

Gaines Park is now officially open after it's largely-attended ribbon-cutting event on September 16. This facility provides a safe neighborhood park with beautiful equipment and facilities, which includes a newly refurbished basketball court, a shelter house, a swing set, and state-of-the-art playground equipment, in addition to a small outdoor stage and green space for recreational/creative use. What was once a deteriorating and under-used facility is now a thriving asset to our city for families to enjoy. Go check it out!



What's Happening in Our Parks:



USING COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY TO ALLOW YOU TO CONNECT TO OTHERS AROUND THE WORLD, MADISON-IN.GOV/REGISTER

Jamboree on the Air is now open for registration!

The City of Madison Parks Department and the Friends of Camp Louis Ernst announce "Jamboree on the Air!" Using communication technology to allow you to connect to others around the world, this is a free event for youth, scouts and adults.

WHEN: October 21, 2023, from 9 AM to 3 PM at Camp Louis Ernst, 9141 State Road 7, Dupont, Indiana.

<u>WHAT</u>: Activities include fox hunt, mock net, how to become an amateur radio operator, radio badge offering (must sign up before the event), setting up a solar-powered station, voltage, and using morse code. *Leader, parent or guardian must accompany youth.*

Bring your own water bottle, snacks and hiking shoes, and get ready for a fantastic event together! Register today online at *madison-in.gov/register* or fill out a form in our office at City Hall.

Register for the Program Now!



Join Our Sponsorship Team

Interested in sponsoring or volunteering for one of our fall or winter events? We'd love to have your support! Email Tanya Burnette at Tburnette@madison-in.gov to get involved today!

Learn More Here

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HOST A GAME BOOTH!



At our annual Halloween Festival on October 28, 11 AM - 2 PM in Bicentennial Park.

Email Tburnette@madison-in.gov to sign up today!



The City of Madison's Halloween Festival is a free community event, and is the perfect place for your organization to engage the community. More than 2,000 people come every year to this single event, so what better way to be a part of the fun and support our community?!

Halloween Festival Webpage





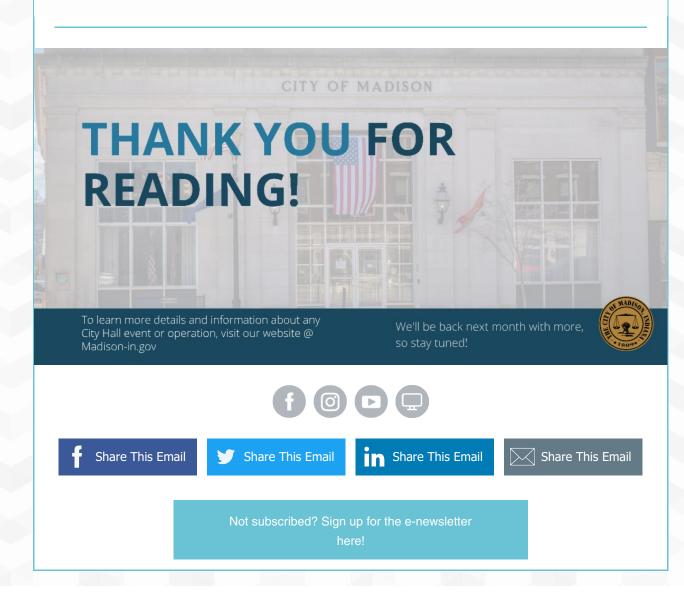
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ALL AGES

From noon - 4PM on December 16, the City of Madison Parks Department will be hosting a Jamboree for early registration for 2024 programming in the Brown Gym.

Anyone interested in youth programming, camps, leagues, clinics, classes or who just want to see what we have coming up next year, this is the perfect time to check it out in this one-stop-shop!

DECEMBER 16, NOON - 4PM



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