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New Traffic Signal Set to Activate along Indianapolis Cultural Trail Expansion

Pedestrian safety significantly improved with the addition of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Paca Street, Indiana Avenue, and West St. Clair Street

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indianapolis Cultural Trail announced today that the City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works (DPW) will activate the traffic signal at the intersection of Paca Street, Indiana Avenue, and West St. Clair Street by the end of this week. This change is a part of the Indiana Avenue and 10th Street expansion of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail: A Legacy of Gene and Marilyn Glick, which will open to the public on Thursday, June 20. The new traffic signal will significantly enhance pedestrian safety and increase connectivity in the Ransom Place neighborhood and for all people who travel through this area, including vehicles.

The new signal will impact traffic flow in the area, so it is important for residents, employees, clients, and visitors to be aware so they can plan their commutes accordingly. Regular commuters, IndyGo riders, and nearby businesses will notice a shift in traffic patterns once the signal is activated.

“Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Inc. is proud to continue creating safe experiences for all those who enjoy the Cultural Trail,” says Indianapolis Cultural Trail executive director Kären Haley. “The signal improves safety and better connects the expanded Trail to the Ransom Place neighborhood and nearby destinations. It is an example of how the entire City benefits from infrastructure improvements like the Cultural Trail that enhance the pedestrian experience in Indianapolis.”

The Indiana Avenue and 10th Street expansion of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail: A Legacy of Gene and Marilyn Glick will open on Thursday, June 20, with a ribbon-cutting and a community celebration event.

The opening marks the first expansion of the internationally recognized linear park. Upon completion, the expansion will better connect the Indiana Avenue cultural district, connecting to the front door of the Madam Walker Legacy Center, while creating a new

connection to the Fall Creek Trail and White River Wapahani Trail. The expansion of the Cultural Trail includes 170,000 decorative pavers, 23 stormwater planters, 13 benches, nine bike racks, cultural interpretive panels, 8,950 perennials and shrubs, 78 trees, and a new traffic signal at the Paca Street, St Clair Street and Indiana Avenue intersection.

Lead investors include Lilly Endowment Inc., Elevance Health Foundation, Lilly Foundation and the City of Indianapolis. Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, has raised \$28.5 million for the estimated \$30 million project. To stay informed about the construction progress, [sign up for bi-weekly](#) construction updates, visit <https://indyculturaltrail.org/expansion>, follow along on social media @IndyCulturalTrail or call 317-653-1948.

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About Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Inc.

Indianapolis Cultural Trail Inc creates, inspires and sustains connections and cultural experiences that are accessible for all. The Indianapolis Cultural Trail is both a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization and a world class, internationally recognized linear park: The Indianapolis Cultural Trail: A Legacy of Gene and Marilyn Glick. In partnership with the City of Indianapolis, the organization also manages Pacers Bikeshare and public destinations along and connected by the Cultural Trail.

About the Expansion

Indiana Avenue/10th Street

The Indiana Avenue expansion will connect directly to the Madam Walker Legacy Center on Indiana Avenue and continue north to 10th Street. It will then head west on 10th Street to the planned bridge leading to the 16 Tech Innovation District. While the public is invited to enjoy the Indiana Avenue and 10th Street expansion mile, construction teams will continue to close out small punch list items during the summer.

South Street

The South Street expansion will bring the Indianapolis Cultural Trail from New Jersey Street to Capitol Avenue, improving access in a thriving stretch of downtown that includes Lucas Oil Stadium, the Indiana Convention Center and a growing residential hub. The new section will also create a beautiful connection between downtown and near Southside neighborhoods and the Stadium Village area.

