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# NEW ALBANY TODAY

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Favorite Fall Tradition!



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# A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Friends and Neighbors,



As one of the most wonderful times of the year approaches, the holiday season reminds us to pause and reflect on all we are grateful for, our growth, our progress, and the time we get to share with family and friends, from near and far. It's also a time to celebrate the many achievements that make New Albany such a special place to call home.

This year, I am especially thankful for the tremendous growth we've seen throughout our community. From welcoming new businesses to New Albany to improving City facilities, roads, and infrastructure, our progress continues, with even more to come.

In this Holiday Edition of New Albany Today, we're proud to highlight the milestones we've achieved together. From dozens of ribbon cuttings for new businesses investing in our city, to continued success in our schools, to programs helping residents become first-time homeowners, and the improvements in our public safety, each story reflects the spirit of collaboration and pride that defines New Albany.

Our commitment to building a stronger community remains steadfast. We're transforming our shoreline, enhancing city facilities, attracting new opportunities, and supporting the businesses that already call New Albany home. You'll find more of these exciting updates and stories throughout this issue.

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe, joyful, and memorable holiday season.

Mayor Jeff Gahan



MAYOR JEFF M. GAHAN

# HARVEST HOMECOMING





# HARVEST HOMECOMING 2025

*A Record Year for New Albany's Favorite Fall Tradition*

Harvest Homecoming once again filled the streets of downtown New Albany with energetic community pride. From open to close each day, the festival drew large, enthusiastic crowds, including families and visitors from across Kentuckiana. The weather couldn't have been better for a weekend packed with classic Harvest favorites, including booths, concerts, car shows, kids' events, and more, continuing the generational family fun. Vendors reported excellent turnout and praised the festival's smooth organization and positive atmosphere.

## **Safety and Partnership**

This year's success was built on collaboration and planning with the Harvest Homecoming Committee, the New Albany Police Department, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, the New Albany Fire Department, and Emergency Management to create and implement an updated safety plan.

Key improvements included:

- Increased law enforcement presence
- Improved barricades and crowd control
- New lighting and security camera systems
- Revised festival hours and expanded family-friendly programming

"I appreciate the effort, planning, and execution that went into revising our safety plan to keep our Harvest Homecoming Visitors safe. As always, we are proud to host Harvest Homecoming right here in the heart of New Albany."

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.



## **A Volunteer-Driven Celebration**

Harvest Homecoming remains a 100% volunteer-run event, a true labor of love. "I am incredibly proud of the dedication shown by our members and the community," said the Harvest Homecoming Board President. "Our mission is to provide a safe, family-friendly, and community-focused event, and this year truly reflected that." A special thank-you goes to the City of New Albany for its partnership, support, and hands-on assistance throughout the festival.

## A Festival of Fun

More than 50 years strong, the Harvest Homecoming Festival is recognized as the third-largest festival in Indiana, behind only the Indianapolis 500 and the Indiana State Fair. This year's celebration offered something for everyone, with activities including the Miss Harvest Homecoming and Teen Scholarship Pageants, the annual golf tournament, car cruise, and cornhole competitions. Families enjoyed favorites like the Baby Crawl, Big Wheel Race, and Kids' Tractor Pull, while bakers, photographers, and artists showcased their talents in the Harvest Baking Contest, Photography Competition, and Window Paint-In.

Downtown buzzed with excitement as visitors browsed local organization and business booths, including crafts and food booths, listened to live music on the Samtec Stage, and watched the evening sky light up during the Harvest Homecoming Balloon Glow. From start to finish, the weekend was a vibrant celebration of community spirit, creativity, and tradition.



### Miss Harvest Homecoming 2025

This year's Miss Harvest Homecoming winners were also crowned:

- Miss Harvest Homecoming 2026 – Ellise Edwards
- Miss Harvest Homecoming Teen 2026 – Dahlia Saling

The pageant, conducted under the Miss America Organization, provides scholarship opportunities and community representation for local young women. Join us in congratulating Ellise and Dahlia as they begin their reign, representing New Albany with grace and pride!

### Looking Ahead

This year's festival shined a spotlight on what makes Harvest truly special: local food, live entertainment, arts and crafts, and family-friendly fun that celebrates the heart of our community.

Plans are already underway for next year's Harvest Homecoming, and organizers are eager to build on this year's success. "We're excited to continue working with the City to showcase New Albany in the best possible way," organizers shared.

From start to finish, Harvest Homecoming 2025 was a shining example of what happens when community, tradition, and teamwork come together.

# NEW ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Strengthening Fleet, Team, and Future with New Ladder Truck, Personnel Additions, and Union Agreement*

The City of New Albany Fire Department continues to invest in the safety and well-being of residents with the addition of a new 100-foot platform ladder truck, the hiring of 11 firefighters, and the signing of a new three-year labor contract with the New Albany Professional Firefighters Union Local 410.

These combined efforts underscore the City's ongoing commitment to public safety, preparedness, and the hardworking men and women who protect our community every day.

## **A Modern Tool for a Safer City**

In August 2025, the department officially placed its new platform ladder truck into service.

Unlike a traditional straight ladder, the new platform-style ladder allows firefighters to operate from a secure, enclosed platform rather than standing directly on the ladder or rooftop. This provides increased safety and stability during ventilation, overhaul, and observation tasks, even in hazardous conditions.

The truck's reach offers vital access to New Albany's taller structures, including apartment buildings, hotels, and commercial complexes, and enables firefighters to deliver elevated water streams, a critical capability for extinguishing large fires quickly and safely.

"This new truck gives our firefighters the flexibility and safety they need to manage complex incidents," said Chief Juliet. "It's not just an upgrade; it's an investment in the safety of our city and the people who serve it."



## **Welcoming 11 New Firefighters**

This year, the department also welcomed 11 new firefighters, each completing their initial training and joining crews citywide. Please join us in welcoming: Adam McKnight, Terence Brown, Jacob Metcalf, Nathan Jones, Andrew Losson, Malik Peters, Adison Dorris, Jaden Grant, Kevin Hodges, Christopher Jimenez, and John Miller.

These new recruits represent the next generation of public safety professionals, bringing enthusiasm, skill, and dedication to the department's long-standing tradition of service.

"We want to ensure our New Albany firefighters have the best equipment, tools, and team members possible to help keep our community, our residents, and their fellow firefighters safe. This new ladder truck and the addition of eleven new firefighters to the team are strong examples of that commitment."  
- Mayor Jeff Gahan.

## **City and Fire Union Agree to 3-Year Contract**

The City Administration and the New Albany Professional Firefighters Union Local 410 signed a new three-year labor contract, a major milestone for the department and the community.

The agreement addresses staffing levels, provides pay raises for all firefighters, and introduces additional incentives for those holding specialized certifications such as EMT. It also expands training opportunities, ensuring that New Albany's firefighters remain equipped with the latest techniques and best practices in fire and emergency services.

While many cities across Indiana are facing public safety funding reductions caused by state legislation, New Albany continues to prioritize its first responders, offering well-earned raises and maintaining strong public safety investments through careful and prudent financial management.

This agreement stands as a testament to the City's ongoing commitment to public safety and its partnership with the men and women of the New Albany Fire Department.



"We sincerely thank the leadership of the New Albany Professional Firefighters Union Local 410 for working with us to reach this agreement. Their continued service and dedication to the City of New Albany is essential, and we are proud to support the important work they do every day."

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.



**Greg Wenning and his grandson**

## **Honoring Experience and Leadership**

In addition to new recruits, the department proudly recognizes Greg Wenning, a 26-year veteran, for his recent appointment to the Fire Prevention Bureau. Wenning's extensive experience and deep community knowledge make him a valuable asset in advancing fire prevention education and safety outreach throughout New Albany.

## **Investing in the Future**

From modern equipment and new personnel to fair contracts and training, 2025 has been a year of progress for the New Albany Fire Department. The new ladder truck strengthens emergency response capabilities, while expanded staffing and a renewed union partnership ensure continued excellence in service and safety.

With every call answered, every fire contained, and every citizen protected, the department reaffirms its mission: to serve with courage, skill, and dedication, keeping New Albany safe, strong, and prepared.



# CELEBRATING GROWTH

## *Recent Ribbon-Cuttings!*

It's been an exciting season of growth here in New Albany, with several new businesses and organizations opening their doors and expanding their presence in our community. The City of New Albany is proud to celebrate these milestones alongside our local entrepreneurs, leaders, and residents.

### **Rivercrest Senior Living**

The City congratulates Rivercrest Senior Living on their recent ribbon-cutting at 4917 Grant Line Road. This new facility offers customer focused assisted living and skilled nursing services, providing compassionate care and peace of mind for families across our community. Welcome to New Albany, Rivercrest, we're glad you're here!



### **Revive Salon and Spa**

The City extends warm congratulations to Revive Salon and Spa on their Grand Opening at 2255 Charlestown Road! Offering esthetics, hair care, and a variety of beauty treatments, Revive provides a welcoming environment for relaxation and rejuvenation. We're excited to see this new business thrive. Thank you for choosing New Albany as your home!

### **Renewity Assisted Living**

The City also joined in celebrating the official ribbon-cutting for Renewity Assisted Living, located at 3755 St. Joseph Road. This beautiful new facility is devoted to providing compassionate care and a high-quality of life for seniors in our community. Thank you, Renewity, for investing in New Albany and enriching the lives of our residents!





## The Paul Kiger Group – Coldwell Banker McMahan

Congratulations to The Paul Kiger Group on joining Coldwell Banker McMahan and celebrating their new office at 222 Pearl Street, Suite 101! Known for world class service, local expertise, and deep community commitment, Paul and his team bring nearly two decades of real estate experience to their new space in downtown New Albany. We're proud to see such talent and dedication rooted right here at home.

## W.M. Kelley Company, Inc.

A huge congratulations to W.M. Kelley Company, Inc. on the ribbon-cutting of their new office building! With over 50 years of experience in custom metal fabrication and material handling solutions, W.M. Kelley remains a trusted name in the industry. As a 100 percent employee-owned company, they embody the spirit of shared success. We're proud to celebrate their continued growth and commitment to New Albany!



## Parlour New Albany

Congratulations to Parlour New Albany on the grand opening of their new downtown location at 115 W. Market Street! Already a community favorite, Parlour Pizza now has a fresh new space to call home. Mayor Jeff Gahan joined in the ribbon-cutting to celebrate this next chapter, as Parlour also marked the occasion by giving back, presenting a donation to Hope Southern Indiana. Stop by their new downtown spot and enjoy a local classic in the heart of the city!

The City of New Albany is proud to celebrate these exciting new additions and expansions. Each ribbon-cutting represents not just business growth, but also the continued investment, innovation, and community spirit that make New Albany a wonderful place to live, work, and thrive.

# BREAKING NEW GROUND

*Exciting Growth Continues in New Albany*

New Albany continues to grow, with two exciting new developments officially breaking ground along the St. Joseph Road corridor, signaling continued confidence in our city's momentum and future.



## Chick-fil-A Breaks Ground on New Location

The highly anticipated Chick-fil-A has officially begun construction at 3100 St. Joseph Road, near Cattleman's Roadhouse. Known for its customer service and community involvement, this new arrival brings additional dining options and local job opportunities.

The City of New Albany recognizes that as this area continues to grow, infrastructure improvements are vital. Tax revenue from new businesses such as Chick-fil-A will directly support planned upgrades near the Kamer Miller/Charlestown Road intersection, helping to ease traffic and enhance accessibility.

*"Growth always comes with challenges, but projects like this help fund the improvements our residents and visitors will benefit from for years to come. We're thrilled to welcome Chick-fil-A to New Albany."*  
- Mayor Jeff Gahan.





## Holiday Inn & Suites Coming Soon

Just down the road from the incoming Chick-fil-A, City officials joined in celebrating the groundbreaking of a new Holiday Inn & Suites at 3400 St. Joseph Road, also near Cattleman's Roadhouse. The new hotel will offer modern accommodations for visitors and families, bringing additional hospitality options and supporting New Albany's tourism and local economy.

"This project represents another important step in the growth and vitality of our city. It's a clear sign that New Albany continues to be a great place to live, work, and visit."  
- Mayor Jeff Gahan.



From new restaurants to quality lodging, these projects reflect New Albany's continued commitment to thoughtful development, economic opportunity, and a vibrant community future.



## Celebrating 50 Years of Innovation, Growth, and Community Impact

Cimtech, a long-standing leader in precision manufacturing and engineering solutions, is proud to celebrate 50 years of family ownership and team-driven excellence. Founded in 1975 and headquartered in New Albany, Indiana, the company operates a 50,000-square-foot facility employing more than 40 skilled team members with decades of combined engineering and machining expertise.

This milestone anniversary was formally recognized by the City of New Albany in November 2025, when Redevelopment and Economic Development Director Claire Johnson declared November 6, 2025, as "Cimtech Day." The designation honors Cimtech's five decades of service to both local businesses and multinational clients, reflecting the company's longstanding commitment to quality, innovation, and community partnership.



### A Tradition of Precision and Advancement

Since its founding, Cimtech has offered a comprehensive range of machining and engineering services, including CNC machining and turning, fabrication, welding, tube and rod bending, wire forming, and assembly. Its team-operated approach has created a collaborative workplace culture built on trust, respect, and continuous improvement.

Over the years, Cimtech has continued to invest in advanced manufacturing technologies to remain competitive in a rapidly evolving industry. A recent example includes the acquisition of a high-precision 5-axis micro-dynamic milling center, which allows the company to complete complex jobs with greater efficiency and micron-level accuracy. This investment reduced multi-step operations and improved overall throughput, demonstrating Cimtech's commitment to enhancing quality while expanding its capabilities.

## Innovation for Emerging Markets

As Cimtech looks to the future, it continues to identify opportunities to support new and growing industries. One of the company's latest developments is a patent-pending Double Barrel Lifter, designed specifically for cooperage and barrel-aging operations. Developed in collaboration with a client, this specialized lift attachment addresses a unique need in the industry and highlights Cimtech's strength in delivering custom engineering solutions from concept to completion. The Double Barrel Lifter represents a strategic expansion into the barrel-aging market and underscores the company's ability to innovate for evolving customer demands.



## Looking Ahead

As Cimtech moves into its next 50 years, its focus remains consistent: investing in technology, supporting local economic development, and strengthening its relationships with customers across a wide range of industries. The company remains committed to upholding the quality, service, and innovation that have defined its first half-century.

For more information on Cimtech's capabilities or to explore partnership opportunities, please contact their New Albany headquarters or visit their website [cimtechmachine.com](http://cimtechmachine.com).

## A Strong Team, A Stronger Future

Cimtech's success is built on the expertise and dedication of its team members. Their collective experience allows the company to produce high-quality components, improve production processes, and maintain a reputation for reliability and precision. With a facility designed for continued growth and a workforce committed to excellence, Cimtech is positioned to expand its reach while maintaining its core values.





# HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE

*Helping First-Time Buyers Achieve the Dream of Homeownership*

The City of New Albany's Homeowner Assistance Program continues to make a meaningful impact, helping local residents take the final step toward achieving the dream of homeownership. Since the program began, seven individuals/families have purchased their first homes through the initiative, including individuals with disabilities, veterans, and young couples starting families.



Among the success stories is Alexis "Lexi," who recently purchased her own home in New Albany with the help of a City down payment grant.

"As a first-time homebuyer, I was doing a lot of research on ways to make the process more affordable," Lexi shared. "A family member actually sent me a Facebook post from the City of New Albany about the program, and it immediately caught my attention. The chance to receive a grant for my down payment felt like the extra boost I needed to make homeownership a reality."

Lexi learned about the Homeowner Assistance Program online and decided to apply. The process, she said, was simple and supportive, especially for someone navigating home buying for the first time and without a realtor.

"I had a great experience working with both the City of New Albany and the Wheatley Group. Everyone I interacted with was helpful and responsive. There were a few steps, such as submitting documentation and completing a homebuyer education course, but nothing felt too overwhelming. I would absolutely recommend the program to others who are eligible!"

Through the grant, Lexi was able to purchase a home for herself and her dog, complete with a backyard and space to start her own garden.

"I've worked extremely hard to get to this point, and receiving the grant felt like a huge validation of that effort," Lexi said. "It not only helped with the down payment, but also gave me a little financial breathing room to take care of some important repairs and updates. I'm incredibly grateful for that support."

The City of New Albany launched the Homeowner Assistance Program to remove financial barriers and make homeownership more attainable for local residents. The program provides down payment assistance grants to qualified applicants, helping them secure stable, long-term housing and invest in their community.

According to Grant Manager Keeton Gibson, the program's success stories demonstrate its wide-reaching impact:

- Three of the new homeowners are female heads of household.
- Three participants are individuals with disabilities.
- One young couple, ages 22 and 19, purchased their first home together.
- Another couple was able to buy the home they had rented for over a decade.
- One family purchased a home just in time to welcome a new baby.
- And one 73-year-old veteran bought his very first home.

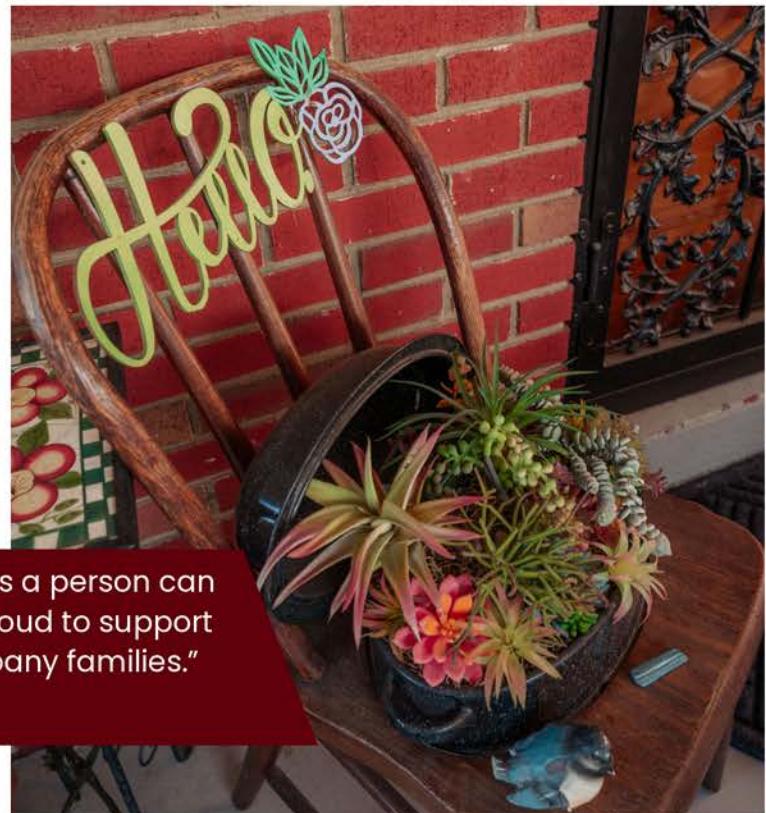
"Programs like this one are about more than financial assistance; they're about giving people a real opportunity to plant roots in our community," said Gibson. "Each homeowner represents a story of determination, resilience, and hope."

"Homeownership is one of the strongest investments a person can make in their future and in the community. We're proud to support programs that make that possible for more New Albany families."

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.

#### **Learn More:**

Residents interested in the New Albany Homeowner Assistance Program can visit [newalbanycityhall.com](http://newalbanycityhall.com) or contact the City's Office of Redevelopment for information on eligibility and upcoming funding opportunities.





# MONON TRAIL UPDATE

## *City Unlocks Key Component to Future Monon South Freedom Trail*

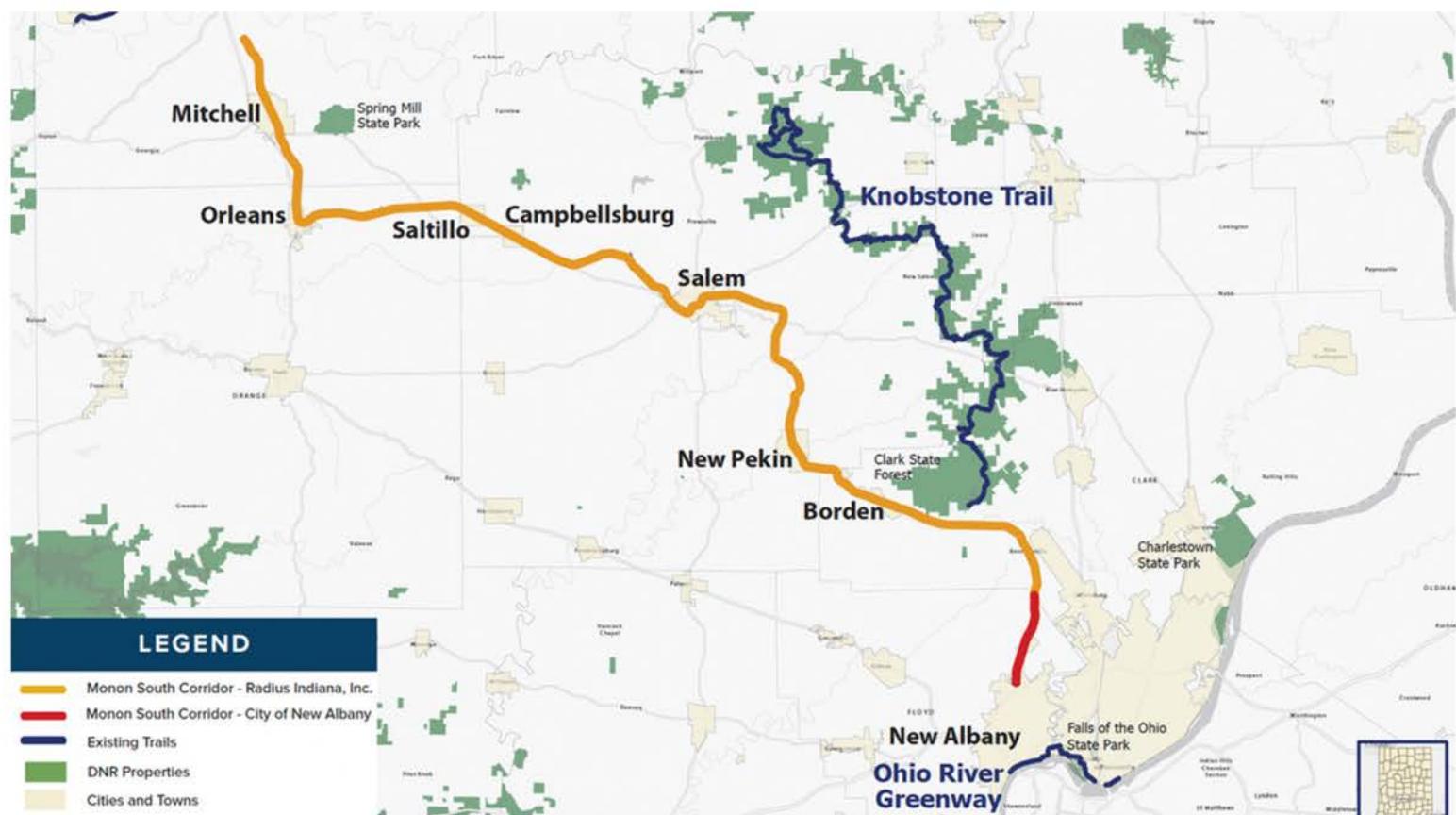
At New Albany's Redevelopment Commission meeting, the board voted unanimously to pursue the acquisition of the New Albany Golf Course property, located at 1706 Graybrook Lane.

This strategic move marks a major milestone in the development of the Monon South Freedom Trail, a transformational project that will ultimately span nearly 63 miles from New Albany to Mitchell, Indiana. Phase 1 of the trail, now under construction, ends just outside the golf course property, making this location a critical connection point for future expansion. Phase 2 will extend the trail north toward the Clark-Floyd County line.

In recent years, several developers have expressed interest in the golf course property for large-scale, multi-family residential projects. By moving to acquire the property, the City of New Albany is taking proactive steps to preserve this important community asset while unlocking new opportunities to expand and enhance the Monon South Freedom Trail for generations to come.

*"The timing could not be better! Our ongoing commitment to health and fitness is bringing new connections and opportunities to be outdoors. On the Greenway, on the Shoreline, and now on the Monon South Freedom Trail!"*

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.





## Why It Matters

Trails like the Monon South Freedom Trail deliver proven benefits:

- Healthier communities with safe, accessible outdoor recreation options
- Expanded travel alternatives for walkers, runners, and cyclists
- Economic growth through tourism, local business activity, and rising property values
- Historic preservation that honors the past while investing in the future

"This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. When CSX announced plans to abandon this rail corridor, we saw a narrow window, and we acted. What was once an abandoned rail line will soon have new life as a trail that promotes health, expands travel opportunities, and fuels real economic growth."

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.

## Looking Ahead

With Phase 1 construction already underway and plans to acquire the golf course property for future phases, the City of New Albany is positioning itself as a regional leader in recreation, connectivity, and quality of life.

The Monon South Freedom Trail is funded in part through Indiana's Next Level Trails initiative and the READI program, in partnership with Radius Indiana and other regional agencies.

Residents can follow project updates, progress photos, and future expansion news at: [newalbanycityhall.com/msft](http://newalbanycityhall.com/msft).

The City of New Albany is proud to continue investing in projects that promote health, preserve history, and connect our community, one mile at a time.

# **GOLD WINNER**

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# PODCAST

*with Mayor Jeff Gahan*



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The official podcast of the City of New Albany, where Mayor Jeff Gahan brings you the latest updates, projects, and stories shaping our community.

From city developments and public safety to local events and behind-the-scenes insights, this podcast keeps you informed and connected to the heartbeat of New Albany.

Tune in for candid conversations with city leaders, special guests, and the people making a difference in our community.



# DNR AND CITY REACH DAM SETTLEMENT:

*Joint Settlement States Mayor's Actions Were Taken With Intent to Protect Public Safety*

Mayor Jeff Gahan and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) have reached a comprehensive agreement resolving all outstanding legal matters surrounding the Glenwood Park Dam and establishing a collaborative path forward to improve safe access to Silver Creek.



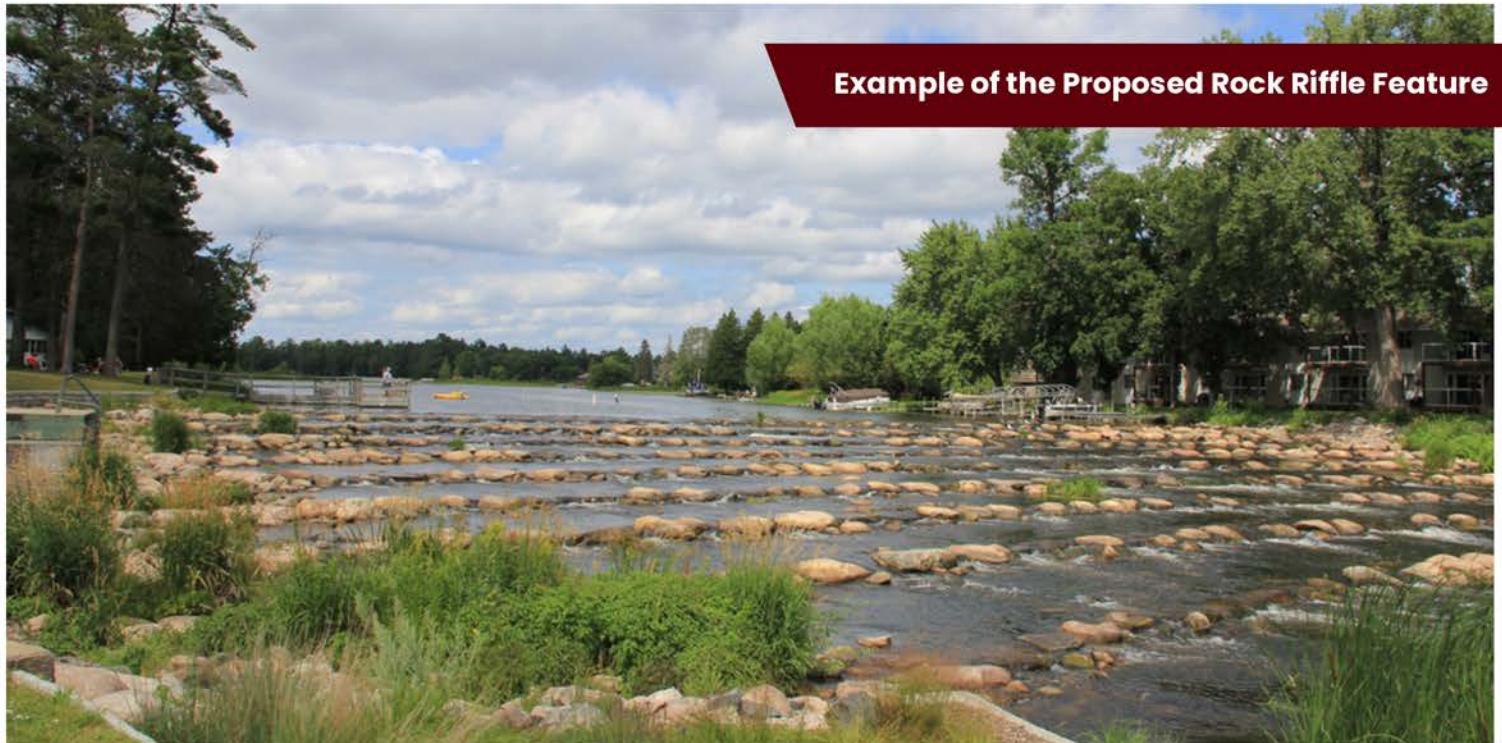
The agreement follows last year's tragic drowning of a young man who became trapped in a dangerous hydraulic roller in Silver Creek, a recirculating current often formed near low-head dams. In response, Mayor Gahan ordered emergency maintenance to restore the dam to its original condition by adding shot rock to eliminate the hazardous hydraulic rollers. The action was successful and removed the immediate safety risk to swimmers and recreational users.

*"I knew from the start that we were doing the right thing to protect public safety by initiating our emergency maintenance at the historic Glenwood Park Dam, and this agreement proves it," stated Mayor Jeff Gahan. "Now that this matter is behind us, we can focus on our new addition to Silver Creek that will improve recreation, fishing, and the ecosystem for decades to come. As this project comes to life, I can't wait to share more with the public – you're going to love it!"*

In December of 2022, the New Albany City Council unanimously passed a resolution (9-0) asking for all parties to meet and have discussions before removal of the historic dam. The City of New Albany has tried multiple times to initiate discussions with Origin Park and River Heritage Officials to discuss these important issues, but they have declined, including repeated recent requests to do so this year.

*"We have been trying for years to improve our natural waterways, and with this agreement, I can happily report that we have achieved that," Mayor Gahan said. "I want to thank our City Council members for their continued support for our natural resources and assets."*

*– Mayor Jeff Gahan.*



Example of the Proposed Rock Riffle Feature

Conditions at Silver Creek Landing and the historic Glenwood Park Dam have changed drastically since the collapse of the Blackiston Mill Dam upstream. The failure of that dam has severely reduced the summer pool to a trickle. Now that only the Glenwood Park Dam exists, the City has been pursuing an alternative feature to support fish, wildlife, and recreation in Silver Creek, as well as support the nearly \$4.5 million in infrastructure and additions at the Landing, neighborhood trails, and connections to the Ohio River Greenway.

"We are happy that DNR has agreed to work with us as we implement a safe, attractive addition to Silver Creek. All litigation regarding this matter will be dismissed."

- Mayor Jeff Gahan.

This week, the City of New Albany and DNR finalized a global settlement regarding the Glenwood Park Dam. Here are the details:

- DNR and City settlement states Mayor Gahan's actions were taken with the intent to protect public safety.
- The City will allow ECI, when water conditions are safe to enter, to remove the Glenwood Park Dam.
- The City will temporarily relocate materials from the emergency maintenance project for use in a future water feature.
- The City will be filing a permit for a rock riffle structure like others approved throughout the State.
- The City and DNR will work together in good faith through the permitting process on the rock riffle feature for Silver Creek enhancements.

These modern features significantly increase waterway safety while creating an attractive, naturalized environment suitable for swimming, wading, kayaking, and fishing.

Additional design work and public updates will be shared as the rock-riffle project moves into its next phase.

# THE NEW ALBANY FARMERS MARKET

## A Saturday Tradition, Better Than Ever!

The New Albany Farmers Market is thriving like never before, with recent upgrades and an exciting lineup of new vendors. From fresh produce and baked goods to meats and handcrafted items, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Located at 202 E. Market Street, the market is open every Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon during the winter season, and from 8 a.m. to noon in the spring and summer, with a bonus Christmas Market in December.

Visitors can shop an incredible variety of locally sourced products, enjoy live entertainment, take part in wellness activities, and attend special kids' events, making the market a true community destination.

### Annual Christmas Market

The New Albany Farmers Market was proud to continue the annual Christmas Market where the air was filled with holiday spirit and the charm of locally made crafts; booths overflowing with handcrafted gifts, festive treats, and seasonal decor. It's always the perfect place to find meaningful gifts for everyone on your list!

### Supporting Our Community

The market proudly accepts SNAP and participates in the Double Up Program, making it easier for families with income restrictions to access fresh, healthy foods. Through a partnership with St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, the market helps ensure that everyone in New Albany benefits from locally grown produce.

In the summer months, the POP Bucks Program gives kids a fun and healthy incentive to shop for fresh fruits and vegetables, each visit earns them a \$2 coupon, to spend at the market.

This past summer, over \$2,000 worth of fresh produce was provided to children and families through these programs.

### A Gathering Place for All

More than just a place to shop, the Farmers Market is a vibrant community hub that draws locals and visitors alike. It boosts traffic to downtown businesses, supports local growers and artisans, and celebrates the best of New Albany's community spirit.

Whether you come for the food, the fun, or the friendly faces, the New Albany Farmers Market is the perfect Saturday tradition, where community and local flavor thrive together.



# DINE NEW ALBANY



# THE FAIR

*Bringing refined dining and contemporary style to the heart of downtown*

Located at 141 E. Market Street, in the space formerly home to Toast on Market, The Fair is the newest addition from VIVA! Hospitality Group, the creative team behind local favorites such as La Catrina and Sleepy Rooster.

Blending American cuisine with global flavors, The Fair brings refined dining and contemporary style to the heart of downtown. Its elegant design pays tribute to the building's past, on the very block that once housed *The Fair Department Store*, a beloved landmark of New Albany's history.



## **Where Taste Meets Elegance**

The Fair offers a fine dining experience where culinary craftsmanship and local charm come together. From expertly prepared seafood and steak to decadent desserts, every dish reflects the restaurant's commitment to quality, creativity, and hospitality. While the team's previous ventures focused on Mexican and brunch cuisine, this new restaurant fulfills a long-time dream of opening a fine dining destination.

"The Fair is definitely our most elevated concept yet," said Owner, Rozalind Segoviano, "When we took over the space, we knew the time was right," the owners shared. "The building's history and that incredible neon sign inspired us to create something truly special."



*Photographer: Mickie Winters*

## A Commitment to Southern Indiana

Opening The Fair in downtown New Albany was an intentional choice that reflects VIVA! Hospitality Group's ongoing commitment to supporting and growing Southern Indiana's culinary scene. Having lived in the area for nearly two decades, the owners share a passion for creating exceptional dining experiences close to home, giving residents more reasons to "keep it on the Sunnyside." As they put it, "You shouldn't have to cross the bridge to enjoy an amazing meal, top-notch service, and a sophisticated vibe."

## Distinct by Design

Every detail at The Fair reflects a dedication to excellence, from its curated menu and extensive wine list to its elegant yet welcoming atmosphere. "We've created a space that feels refined but never pretentious," they explained. "It's a place where everyone feels welcome and can enjoy something exceptional close to home."

## A Family Affair

The Fair is also a labor of love for the family behind it. Founder and CEO Juan led the building's transformation, while their son Max serves as Director of Operations and Sommelier, overseeing service and the wine program. Their son Leo, a Le Cordon Bleu graduate who trained under Chef Edward Lee at 610 Magnolia, brings his passion for pastry and culinary creativity as Chef de Cuisine.

## Holiday Happenings & Private Dining

The Fair offers private event hosting with custom menus and wine pairings for special occasions. Upcoming holiday events include a Friendsgiving Wine Dinner in November, a Christmas Multi-Course Wine Dinner in December, and a New Year's Eve celebration. More details and ticket information are available at [thefairrestaurant.com](http://thefairrestaurant.com).



Photographer: Mickie Winters



# SHOP NEW ALBANY

*Celebrate the Season by Shopping Local*

As the holiday season settles over New Albany, our city is glowing—literally!

Many of our New Albany streets, parks, and stores are fully decorated, filling every corner with the warmth, color, and spirit of the season. There's no better time to slow down, take in the sights, and enjoy the simple joy of SHOPPING LOCALLY!

This time of year gives us the perfect opportunity to bask in the warmth and glow of the holidays while finding special gifts for the people we love. When you step into one of our locally owned shops, whether it's a cozy boutique, a specialty store, or a multi-generation family-run business, you're not just crossing items off your list. You're supporting the hardworking business owners who have invested in our river city, strengthened our neighborhoods, and contributed to the unique character that makes New Albany such a wonderful place to call home.

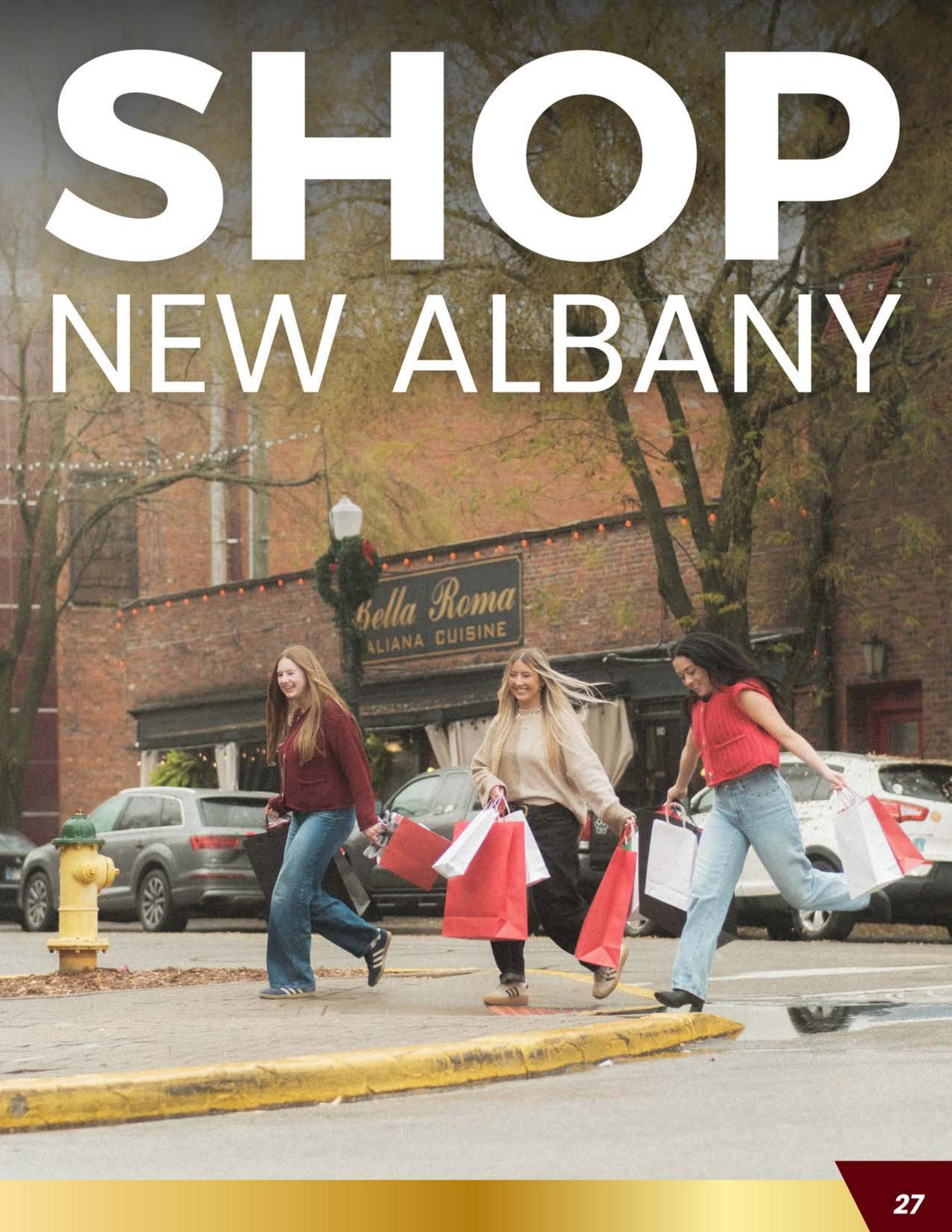


Shopping local keeps dollars in our River City, supports local jobs, and helps small businesses continue to thrive. It also gives you the chance to enjoy the historic charm of our beautiful city. These hometown experiences simply can't be replicated online or in big-box stores.

This holiday season, we invite you to explore New Albany's shops, restaurants, and sights. Savor the lights, sounds, and warmth of a city wrapped in holiday cheer, and discover the perfect gifts while making lasting memories along the way.

"Let's support our small businesses, celebrate our community, and make this season shine brighter than ever," said Mayor Jeff Gahan. "From all of us at City Hall, Happy Holidays!"

# SHOP NEW ALBANY

A photograph of three young women walking on a city street. They are all carrying multiple shopping bags and appear to be in a good mood. The woman on the left is wearing a red sweater and blue jeans. The woman in the middle is wearing a light-colored sweater and black pants. The woman on the right is wearing a red vest over a white shirt and blue jeans. They are walking in front of a brick building with a sign that reads "Bella Roma ITALIANA CUISINE". There are trees with autumn leaves in the background. A yellow fire hydrant is visible on the left side of the street.



# THE ROYAL COURT 2025

*Get ready to cheer on your favorite alumni!*



## A Tradition of Impact and School Pride

The New Albany Floyd County Education Foundation is proud to host the annual Legacy NAFC Alumni Royal Court, a spirited fundraising competition uniting distinguished alumni from New Albany High School and Floyd Central High School in support of teachers and students across the district.

## What is the Royal Court?

Launched in 2022, the Royal Court features eight alumni each year, four NAHS graduates and four FCHS graduates, who compete to raise funds for classroom innovation, student support initiatives, and educational enrichment.

## When was the Royal Court?

The 2025 campaign ran from November 3 to December 12, concluding with the crowning of the top fundraiser at the New Albany vs. Floyd Central varsity basketball game at Floyd Central High School. Participants are introduced between the JV and Varsity games, where the winner is officially announced.

**Scan the QR code below to stay tuned on this year's Royal Court updates!**



# 2025 ALUMNI CANDIDATES



**Amanda (Hines) Braden**  
NAHS 1994



**Braydon Hobbs**  
NAHS 2008



**Julia (Hubbert) Hott**  
FCHS 2006



**Karen (Akers) McKinley-Boyd**  
NAHS 1975



**Paula Merrill**  
FCHS 1989



**Katie (Bauer) Sutter**  
FCHS 2004



**Tony Toran**  
NAHS 1987



**Matt Uhl**  
FCHS 1997

## How the Campaign Works

Throughout the six-week campaign, alumni share their stories and encourage support from classmates, colleagues, and community members. Their efforts directly strengthen programs that shape the student experience—funding classroom grants, providing mental health supports, expanding early childhood literacy through the Imagination Library, and ensuring students have weekend meals through Blessings in a Backpack. This year's campaign has already surpassed \$30,000 in raised funds, continuing a strong tradition of alumni-led support for local schools.

## Past Winners & Fundraising Highlights

The Royal Court continues to grow in both participation and community impact:

- 2022: Justin Endres (NAHS '96) – \$42,500
- 2023: Vicky Hays-Pierce (FCHS '70) – \$54,600
- 2024: Co-winners Kristen Boehlein (NAHS '94) & Matt Brown (NAHS '95), contributing to a record \$122,000 raised
  - Together, Kristen and Matt generated nearly \$60,000, the highest combined total in program history.

## Save the Date!

Join the New Albany Floyd County Education Foundation for its annual Education Celebration GALA! This special evening honors the teachers, students, and community partners who make Floyd County schools shine. Enjoy dinner, live and silent auctions, entertainment, and the always-exciting Dream Vacation Raffle; all while supporting programs that empower educators and enrich student learning.

### Event Details:

- Friday, February 20, 2026 | 5:30 PM
- Huber's Plantation Hall | 19816 Huber Rd, Borden, IN

Reserve your spot or learn more at [onecau.se/educationcelebration26](http://onecau.se/educationcelebration26).

# PROSSER EXPANSION

*Phase 1 of the Prosser Expansion Project is complete*

Prosser has officially finished phase 1 of their expansion, beginning with Prosser's programming to include Plumbing and Education Professions. Developed in partnership with Indiana University Southeast, Ivy Tech Community College, and Prosser. Students now have access to a new Plumbing classroom and lab, as well as a combined manufacturing lab that integrates Design Technology with Automation and Robotics.

In addition, Prosser's former auditorium has been completely renovated into a modern Community Room, proudly sponsored by META. Construction is also underway on a 12,000-square-foot storage facility that will serve both Prosser and NAFCS, providing shared space for equipment storage and rotation of items for sale.



Phase 1 was completed in early November. With this expansion, Prosser continues to deliver industry-leading labs, technology, and training while increasing student capacity by 60 to 80 seats. These improvements not only enhance learning but also strengthen the region's workforce by adding programs that align with local industry needs.

Looking ahead, Prosser is already planning for future growth, including the addition of an Aviation Maintenance program next year. The entire Phase 1 project has been funded through the school's cash balance, ensuring smart investment in the future of education and career readiness across Southern Indiana.

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Consolidated School Corporation

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Submit story ideas to: **NAFCSuccess@nafcs.org**



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MAYOR JEFF M. GAHAN

# CITY OF NEW ALBANY EMERGENCY REPAIR PROGRAM (ERP)



Plumbing



Furnace



Accessibility



Electrical



Roofing



Water Heater



Through the CDBG Program,  
the City of New Albany has  
made **\$100,000** available in  
home repair grants for  
residents

ERP provides up to  
**\$10,000** in home  
repair funds once per  
home



## Eligibility & Application Requirements

- Homeownership:** Owned and lived in your home for at least 1 year
- Location:** Home is within New Albany city limits
- Insurance:** Maintain active homeowners' insurance
- Income:** Household income is at or below 80% of the HUD Area Median Income
  - Provide 2 months of income documentation (payroll stubs, bank statements, SSI award letters, pension statements, etc.) for all adults in your household
- Assets:** Household assets are under \$50,000
  - Provide 2 months of bank statements for all adult household members
- Previous assistance:** Received less than \$10,000 in total ERP repair assistance

Contact Blevin Sloane at New Directions for an Application



502-719-7181



blevin.slane@ndhc.org



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# NEW ALBANY PARKS & RECREATION

*Launching Youth Lacrosse and Park Improvements*



## New Youth Lacrosse League

The City of New Albany Parks & Recreation Department officially launched its first-ever Youth Lacrosse League, which ran from October through November at Silver Street Park's indoor turf facility.

This fun, fast-paced program was open to boys and girls ages 6 to 17 and offers a great opportunity for young athletes to learn one of the fastest-growing sports in the country. The league featured practices and games for all age groups.

If you're interested in joining, the next league runs April 6 through May 14. Boys practice Mondays and Wednesdays, while girls practice Mondays and Thursdays. Scan the QR code below for more information and to sign up.



## Sponsorship Opportunities Available

New Albany Parks & Recreation is also offering sponsorship opportunities for individuals and businesses who want to support local youth programs like the Lacrosse League. Sponsors may choose to donate anonymously or have their business featured within selected and approved parks, programs, or events.

If you or your business are interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities and recognition tiers, please email [parks@cityofnewalbany.com](mailto:parks@cityofnewalbany.com) with your name, business, contact information, and any details you'd like to include.



## Bicknell Park – New Additions Coming!

Construction has begun on exciting new improvements at Bicknell Park! Scheduled work includes the addition of three new pickleball courts and renovations to the current basketball court.

These upgrades, made possible through a Community Development Block Grant project, are part of the City's ongoing commitment to enhance community parks and provide residents with more spaces to stay active, gather, and enjoy the outdoors.



We want to say a big thank you to everyone who spent their summer making memories with us at River Run Family Waterpark! From splashing in the lazy river to racing down the slides, it was another unforgettable season of fun, laughter, and sunshine. We can't wait to welcome you back for even more excitement next summer!

### Preparing for the 2026 Season

We're already hard at work to make next summer even better! We have painted the interior of each pool, enhanced the ride paths and slide colors, and are currently refinishing the pole features in the baby pool to keep everything looking bright, safe, and welcoming.

- **River Run consistently serves over 50,000 guests each summer**
- **River Run has taught nearly 2,000 of our children and young adults to swim**

Buying for your immediate family and household, purchase your season passes at [nariverrun.com](http://nariverrun.com) or scan the QR code below. For those outside your household, stop in at Silver Street Park, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., to purchase a River Run Family Waterpark gift certificate.



### Give the Gift of Summer Fun!

Looking for the perfect gift? A River Run Season Pass makes a splash! Season pass holders enjoy unlimited access to the park all summer long and can join water exercise classes at no additional cost. It's the best way to make the most of every sunny day.





# SEASON PASSES

BUY THE GIFT THAT MAKES A SPLASH!



# WINTER STORMWATER TIPS

## Protecting Our Waterways All Season Long

As temperatures drop and winter weather moves in, it's important to remember that how we manage snow and ice can have a big impact on our local stormwater system and waterways. The City of New Albany encourages residents to take a few simple steps this season to help prevent pollution, flooding, and damage to infrastructure.

- **Shovel First, Salt Second**
  - Before reaching for salt or de-icer, shovel and clear as much snow as possible. This reduces the amount of salt needed, and less salt means less runoff into storm drains and streams.
- **Use Salt Sparingly**
  - When ice is unavoidable, use de-icer products only where necessary. A little goes a long way! Choose products containing calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) or potassium chloride, which are less harmful to plants, pets, and waterways.
- **Keep Storm Drains Clear**
  - As snow and ice melt, make sure nearby storm drains are free of leaves, trash, or debris. Blocked drains can cause localized flooding and push pollutants into the drainage system.
- **Avoid Dumping Snow in Streams or Drains**
  - Snow pushed directly into storm drains or waterways carry salt, litter, and debris straight into our local rivers. Pile snow in grassy areas where it can melt and filter naturally.
- **Winter Ready at Home**
  - Inspect gutters and downspouts to ensure they're clear before freezing temperatures arrive. Proper drainage helps prevent ice buildup and roof damage.



By taking these small steps, residents can make a big difference in keeping New Albany's stormwater system flowing smoothly and protecting the health of our local waterways all winter long.

Together, we can keep New Albany clean, green, and water-wise, no matter the season.



**SHOVEL FIRST**  

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**SALT SECOND**

# YOUR VOTE MATTERS



Election time will be upon us sooner than we think! Remember, your vote counts, and can make a significant difference. This is a perfect time to ensure you're registered and your information is up to date before voting season arrives.

**Please scan the QR code to register to vote, check your voter information, and learn more.**





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Mayor



**Elaine Murphy**

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**Don Unruh**

City Council At-Large



**Stefanie Griffith**

City Council At-Large



**Jennie Collier**

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**Adam Dickey**

City Council 2nd District (President)



**Greg Phipps**

City Council 3rd District



**Chris FitzGerald**

City Council 4th District



**Louise Gohmann**

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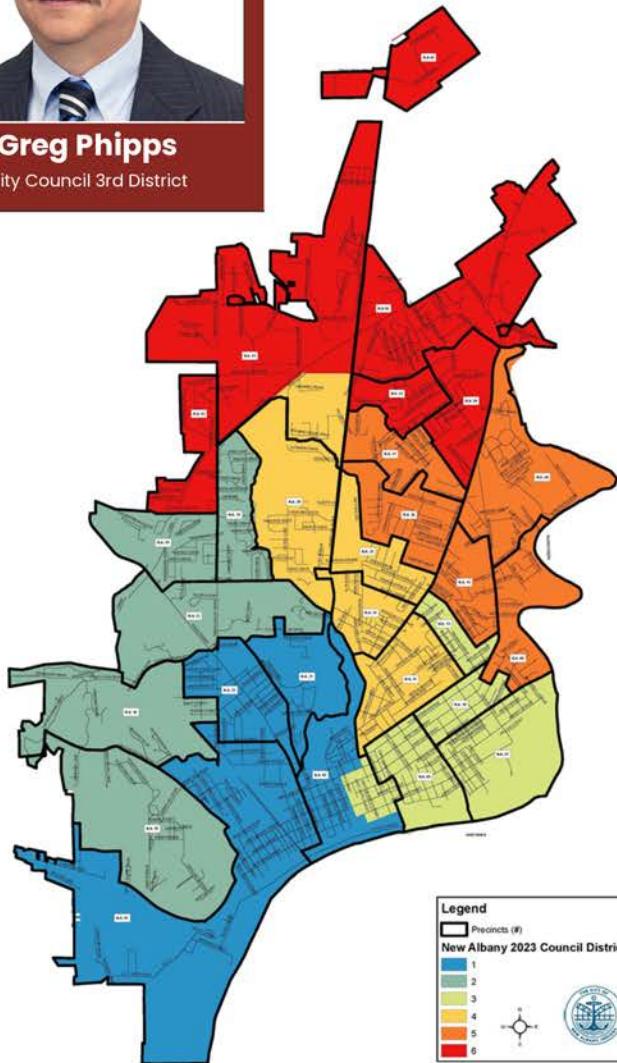
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