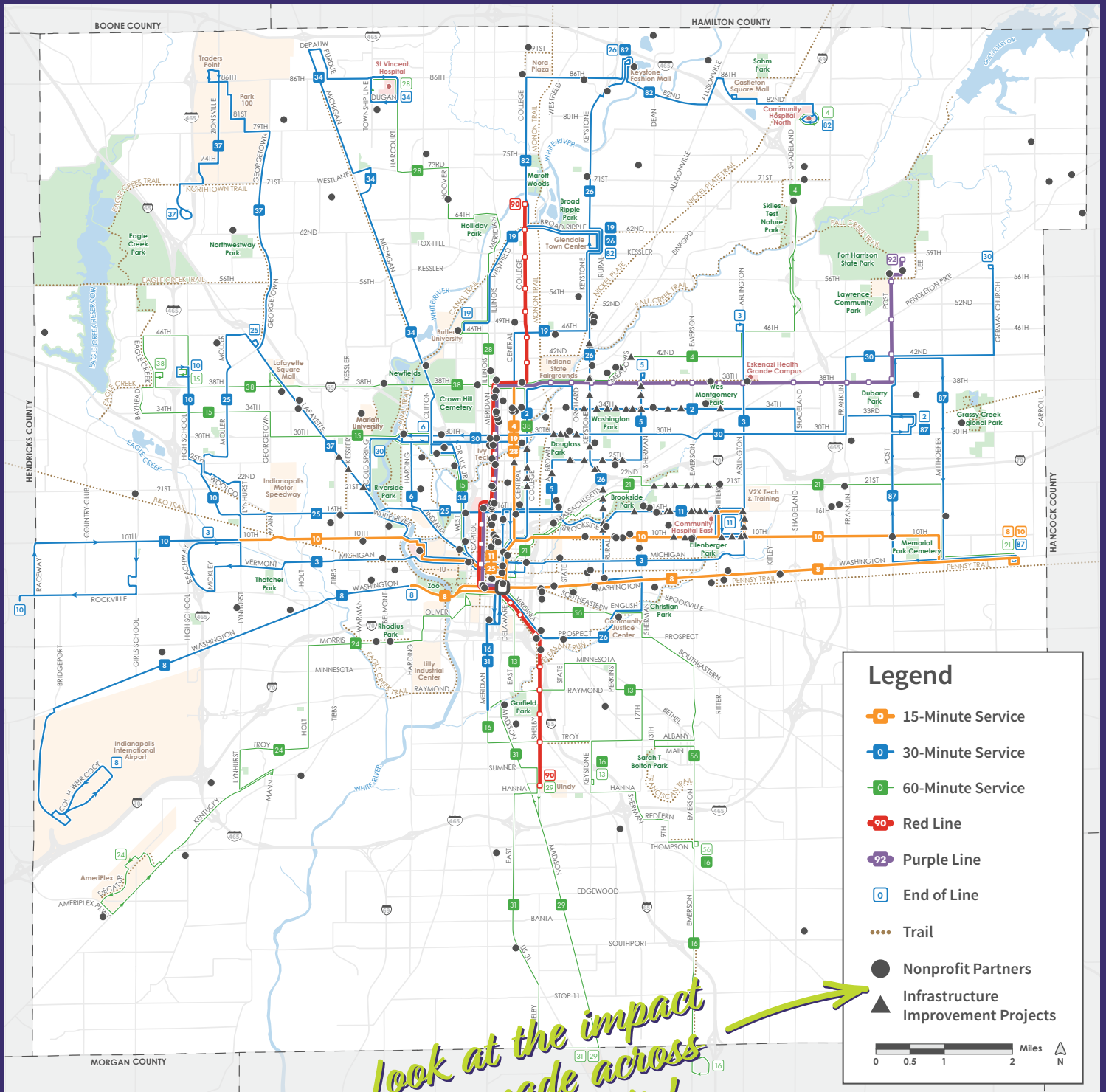


# Connecting Lives Across Indianapolis

## 2025 IMPACT REPORT



*Look at the impact  
you made across  
Indianapolis!*



## 2025 IndyGo Foundation Impact

### Addressing Barriers to Transit Access

#### AFFORDABILITY

##### Breaking down financial barriers

Funded **18,410 fare-free rides** on Transit Equity Day (February 4, 2025), giving **equitable access to public transit** for all of Indianapolis on this national day of action.

**136 nonprofits** were awarded **bus fare grants** and **116 nonprofits** accessed fare at a **50% discount**, making **bus fare more affordable and equitable** for those in Indianapolis with transportation barriers.

#### ACCESSIBILITY

##### Breaking down physical barriers

Leveraged \$1.2 million in funds to reconstruct **79 ADA-accessible bus stops** on the Near East Side, resulting in easier connection and **safer access to public transit for 43,000 people** on the Near East Side.

#### CONNECTION

##### Breaking down social barriers

Gathered **200 nonprofit and community leaders** on Transit Equity Day, **strengthening collaboration around transit access** across Indianapolis.

Welcomed **61 new nonprofit partners** (including 26 first-time grantees) and visited with 23 partners, **empowering the nonprofit community** to utilize public transit.

Hosted the **first Ride & Seek Scavenger Hunt** on the bus, resulting in new and current riders learning how to **better connect to their community**.



Thanks to the 175 golfers and 100 sponsors and business supporters, \$85,000 was raised to support our work to reduce barriers and increase access to public transit.

**As a single mother of two young boys, knowing I have reliable transportation lifts a big weight off my shoulders. I can get wherever I need to go, and that peace of mind means everything.**

- Shakira from Trusted Mentors, a nonprofit grantee

## 2025 Financial Overview

Revenue: \$1,771,799

- Contributed Income
- Earned Income
- City Cost Share for Bus Stop Improvements
- In-Kind: Bus Fare
- In-Kind: Office Space



Expenditures: \$2,289,330

- Operations
- Fundraising
- Programs: Financial Barriers
- Programs: Physical Barriers
- Programs: Social Barriers
- Program Operations
- Other Initiatives

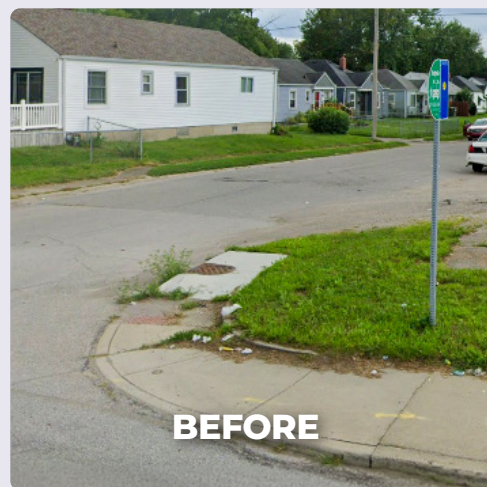


\*We spent more than we raised in 2025 due to spending restricted grants received in previous years, primarily for the Near Eastside infrastructure project. Unaudited numbers.

## Paving the Way: Safer Access on the Near Eastside



IndyGo has 2,362 bus stops throughout the city, and most were created before the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was enacted in 1990. Less than half of these stops are currently ADA accessible. While IndyGo Foundation works



BEFORE



AFTER

Above: the reconstructed ADA-accessible stop at North Linwood Avenue and East 21st Street. Changes include improved curb ramp, wider sidewalk and rider waiting space, and better drainage for longevity.

with IndyGo to make incremental progress every year, it would still take around \$40 million to make all stops ADA accessible. The purpose of reconstructing stops is to provide **long-lasting, safe infrastructure for all pedestrians**—those waiting for the bus and those passing by.

In 2025, IndyGo Foundation secured funding to reconstruct 79 stops on the Near Eastside. The Near Eastside is home to vibrant and diverse communities of 43,000 individuals. However, 27% of households in this area report income at or below the federal poverty guidelines for their household size, and over **18% have either one or no vehicle**.

Public transit doesn't just move people, it moves lives. **Infrastructure is the foundation. Opportunity is what gets built on top of it.** Every sidewalk poured opens a door for someone: a worker reaching a job they couldn't before, a patient getting to a clinic on time, a student arriving at class ready to learn. When people can move freely, public transit stops being a convenience and starts being a catalyst for individual futures and the community.

Do you want to be part of the next group of stops on the Far Eastside? Contact Emily at [Emily.Meaux@IndyGoFoundation.org](mailto:Emily.Meaux@IndyGoFoundation.org).



**Mission** To help connect people to their lives through accessible, equitable, and inclusive public transportation solutions

**Vision** Marion County will be a thriving, equitable community when access to mobility, the ability to move freely, is seen as a necessity and public transit is a safe and convenient mobility solution for everyone.

**Impact** By working toward our vision, the IndyGo Foundation aims to increase funding for public transit in Marion County and increase IndyGo ridership.

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