



— Newsletter —

The sweet scent of spring is hopefully filling the air as we eagerly say goodbye and good riddance to winter weather. With an exciting season ahead, stay in the know of Indiana Grown's upcoming events, updates, and announcements this April.

CELEBRATE: INDIANA GROWN REACHES MILESTONE



Drumroll, please ... in less than three years, Indiana Grown has officially reached 1,000 members! Today, our initiative has members in nearly every county in Indiana and adds an average of one member each day. Last year's budget bill included funding for Indiana Grown for the first time ever, which is currently being used to raise awareness about the initiative and create growth opportunities for its members. To celebrate this

milestone, we hosted a statewide [member hunt](#). Watch Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch's [interview](#) with Inside Indiana Business with Gerry Dick to learn more about this milestone.

JOIN US FOR THIS YEAR'S MONUMENTAL MARKETPLACE



After a successful debut in 2017, the Indiana Grown Monumental Marketplace is back for its second year! This event of "monumental" proportion will come full circle as Indiana Grown members will have the chance to sample, sell, and share their story across the entire Monument Circle. Those interested in participating are asked to fill out this [survey](#). Contact Heather Tallman with questions

at HTallman@isda.in.gov or call 317-697-5863.

PARTICIPATE IN THE NEAR NORTH FARMERS' MARKET



Looking for a market to join this summer? The Near North Farmers' Market will kick off its inaugural season this summer and is seeking vendors! Taking place **every Saturday morning from June through September**, this farmers' market will give Hoosier businesses the opportunity to sample and sell products to the masses. The new market is located in the parking lot of [Herron High School](#) and there is no cost to apply. Contact Adam Mueller with questions at nearnorthmarket@gmail.com or call 317-500-4605.

APPLY TODAY: BLOOMINGTON HANDMADE MARKET



[Bloomington Handmade Market](#) is currently accepting applications for their Summer Fair! This exclusive market is held on **Saturday, June 2 in downtown Bloomington** and focuses on finding quality, unique items from artists and crafters. The April 7 application deadline is quickly approaching, so visit [here](#) for more information.

INDIANAPOLIS CITY MARKET CART RENTAL



The [Indianapolis City Market](#) has been a local entrepreneurial destination since 1886. They have 2 restored, historical carts that vendors may rent directly from Indianapolis City Market Corporation by the day, week or month. An estimated 2,000 people a day comprised of residents, downtown workers and tourists come through the city's oldest marketplace. This is a good place to sell items that do not require refrigeration, on-site cooking or preparation. Be part of the City Market's 125+ year-old cultural tradition today! Indiana Grown members will receive a 15% rental rate discount. For more information and to see the rate card please contact HTallman@ISDA.IN.GOV or call 317-697-5863.

DON'T MISS THIS YEAR'S VINTAGE INDIANA WINE FESTIVAL



This summer, relax and enjoy top-of-the-line wine during the 19th annual [Vintage Indiana Wine & Food Festival](#) taking place from **noon to 6 p.m. on June 2 at Military Park in downtown Indianapolis**. This award-winning festival will unite wineries and chefs for a fun, "adults only" event offering complimentary samples of more than 200 delicious wines. Members interested in being a vendor will receive 50 percent off their food or artisan table. Contact Vino@purdue.edu for more information.

BRAND NEW EVENT COMING TO FISHERS THIS SUMMER



[Spark!Fishers](#) is an inaugural, weekend-long celebration in the heart of Fishers' Nickel Plate District June 29th and 30th. The community-led event is uniquely Fishers with over 80 representatives from the community driving the planning process, and they are looking for vendors to join in on the excitement. The

Spark!Fishers planning committee is seeking three types of vendors: 1) food vendors, 2) business/artists/organizations, and 3) non-profit/education vendors. Indiana Grown members **MUST** check the Artisan box to get the discounted rate. If you would like to be considered as a vendor for this inaugural event, please fill out the [registration form](#) ASAP! Please contact [Heather Tallman](#) or [Dana Kosco](#) with any questions related to this event. Please note Indiana Grown is neither a sponsor nor organizer of this event.



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