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## **Lawrence Launches Neighborhood Hub to Empower Local Communities**

**LAWRENCE, IN** – The City of Lawrence is launching the Lawrence Neighborhood Hub, a new initiative designed to strengthen community engagement, support neighborhood associations, and provide direct access to city resources. The Hub serves as a formal registry for neighborhood associations and homeowners associations, ensuring they receive the support needed to thrive.

"The Lawrence Neighborhood Hub empowers our neighborhoods to be active participants in shaping their future," said Mayor Deb Whitfield. "The goal is to help residents connect, collaborate, and create positive change. This initiative also provides a direct line between residents and city government, ensuring stronger, more connected communities."

Neighborhood associations play a vital role in ensuring that residents' concerns are heard where it matters most. Whether it's organizing safety initiatives, advocating for infrastructure improvements, leading beautification projects, or fostering a sense of belonging, these associations help transform neighborhoods into thriving, engaged communities. The Neighborhood Hub provides guidance, resources, and a Neighborhood Toolkit to support associations in governance, engagement, and sustainability.

Lawrence recognizes eight distinct neighborhoods that contribute to the city's identity: Oaklandon, Fort Ben, Indian Lake, Lanesville, The Pike, Sunnyside, Geist's Edge, and The Ridge. By participating in the Neighborhood Hub, communities will have greater opportunities to collaborate, advocate, and enhance their local areas.

Neighborhood groups are encouraged to register today to gain access to valuable city resources and support. To learn more or register, visit <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</a> or email <a href="https://www.cityoflawrence.org/content/neighborhood-hub">Neighborhood-hub</

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Located northeast of Indianapolis, the City of Lawrence is Indiana's 20th largest city and home to approximately 50,000 residents. While its military base was decommissioned in 1996, Lawrence has grown into a vibrant community that blends rich history with modern amenities. Under the leadership of Mayor Deb Whitfield, the city continues to thrive as a welcoming place to live, work, and play. Learn more at cityoflawrence.org.