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INDIANA LANDMARKS

Annual Report

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**MODERN
MAKEOVER**
A former 10 Most saved

**BETTER
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Relying on local partners

Better to Keep Her

ONE OF THE MOST JARRING entries in Indiana Landmarks' current 10 Most Endangered list is the Pulaski County Courthouse, a Romanesque Revival gem that imparts dignity and grandeur to Winamac, the county seat. When we were alerted that Pulaski County officials were considering demolition of their historic courthouse, our immediate response might have been to raise a chorus of opposition and do battle with public officials. Instead, we committed to helping the county find another path that might lead to the preservation of the courthouse.

We can conjure compelling reasons for saving the courthouse: design, craftsmanship, materials, community character, and history, to name a few. But sometimes a building's fate boils down to the arguments that historic buildings are functionally obsolete and too expensive to adapt and maintain. The best way to counter those arguments is to provide hard data to the contrary, which is exactly what we did.

To that end, Indiana Landmarks commissioned an extensive and multi-option architectural study that compared costs of retaining and updating the old courthouse with those of demolition and new construction. The study also gave full consideration to the county's concerns about functionality and safety.

All other good reasons for saving the courthouse aside—and there are many—a line from the old song “Makin’ Whoopee” best summarizes the study's results and our informed, respectful recommendation to Pulaski County: “You’d better keep her, you’ll find it’s cheaper.”



Marsh Davis, President

On the Cover

A plan to replace Winamac's Pulaski County Courthouse with a parking lot landed the stately 1895 landmark on our 10 Most Endangered list in 2019, sparking studies and talks with county officials on alternatives to retain the community anchor, a top preservation priority in 2020. PHOTO BY EVAN HALE



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506,965

people who attended Indiana Landmarks tours, talks, open houses, and events around the state in the last year



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Between 2010-2015
\$212,925
in grants awarded by Indiana Landmarks leveraged...



Samara
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\$150,000

in grants recommended by Indiana Landmarks and awarded in 2019 by the Efroymson Family Fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation to help stabilize, rehabilitate, save, and restore historic landmarks statewide



Temple Beth-El
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35

congregations receiving training in landmark stewardship, community engagement, and fundraising from Sacred Places Indiana since its launch in 2015

DAVID FREDERICK



\$28,428,578

in investment in historic properties including Ferdinand's Wollenmann House

PHOTO BY LEE LEWELLEN



Reviving a Modern Masterpiece

ALONG GREENWOOD'S BUSY Fry Road, the Mills House has been a standout since its construction in 1956, a Wrightian-inspired residence of glass and fieldstone. By 2014, however, the vacant house stood out for all the wrong reasons, its neglected state landing the property on Indiana Landmarks' 10 Most Endangered list.

Vacancy and deterioration landed Greenwood's Mills House (above) on Indiana Landmarks' 10 Most Endangered list in 2014, and for years we pressed for a preservation-minded buyer who could ensure the home's future. The property finally found its savior in Greenwood native Todd Anthony (left), who embarked on a year-long renovation in 2018, consulting with Bill Cooler (far left), son of the original architect Harry Cooler.

PHOTOS BY JASON WETHERHOLT



Saved in the nick of time by Greenwood native Todd Anthony, the Mills House is capturing attention again following a year-long renovation.

In 1954, Ernie Mills, owner of the Monarch Cabinet Company, bought a wooded site on a large lot to build a house for use as his family home and a showcase for his company's cabinets and countertops. A fan of Frank Lloyd Wright's work, Mills found the right local partner in Indianapolis architect Harry Cooler, who had studied under Wright while attending the University of Illinois.

Cooler's design for the tri-level house brought the outside in through expanses of glass and natural materials. At Mills' request, Cooler incorporated cutting-edge technologies, including air conditioning and copper tubing to supply radiant heat in the terrazzo floors, as well as samples of his company's work.

After the Mills family moved out, the property eventually became a law firm, then fell into disrepair. In driving by the house in December 2018, Todd Anthony, owner of online business DiscountFilters, saw a "For Sale" sign in the yard. He started making phone calls, and within a few days he owned the Mills House. "It was in such a state of disrepair that anyone with common sense wouldn't have gotten involved," Anthony jokes. "I've had a very successful career. The city's been very good to me and our business, and this was a kind of way to



give back. I just had to do it. I didn't even have a business plan in place when I bought it."

Anthony, who is passionate about mid-century architecture, finally got a clear vision for the property while visiting Frank Sinatra's home, now an event center in Palm Springs. He decided to rent the Mills House for small meetings and business retreats, rechristening it the Harry Cooler Conference Center in honor of its architect.

Though the house was structurally sound, water pooling on the flat roof created holes that left the property open to the elements and animals. Anthony banished the critters and put on a temporary roof before assessing what could be saved. To bring back Cooler's design, he brought in Harry's son, architect Bill Cooler.

Vintage photos and slides aided work throughout. After a friend sent her an article about the renovation, Susan Mills England, the daughter of the original homeowners, reached out to Anthony to share her memories of growing up in the house and a scrapbook of historic images. In a happy coincidence, Anthony found a photo of Ernie and Edith Mills standing near the staircase beneath a sputnik-style light fixture that perfectly matched a vintage fixture he'd already purchased for the space. "That's the great part about the house being built in the last sixty years. There's still people around that can tell its stories," says Anthony.

In the basement crawlspace, Anthony discovered terrazzo floor samples that guided Indianapolis's Santarossa Mosaic and Tile in repairing the original floors. The crawlspace also contained original blueprints, now framed and hanging on the walls. Beneath rotted wall panels, workers found notes written from Ernie Mills to contractors.

Scouting online auction sites and antiques shops, Anthony outfitted the house in mid-century style, with a mixture of reproduction and original pieces, including a Wright-designed table he found in the Netherlands. The bathrooms retain their original salmon and dark green color schemes, with Anthony



A leaky roof exposed the Mills House to the elements, accelerating decline inside (top left). In transforming the house into an event center, Anthony prioritized saving original details such as pendant lights and a built-in planter (top right). Susan Mills England, daughter of original owners Edith and Ernie Mills (below) provided vintage photos for inspiration.

PHOTOS BY JASON WETHERHOLT (ABOVE), MILLS FAMILY (BELOW)

installing green tile in the master bath's shower to match the original sink.

"Finding out that he was dedicating this conference center to my dad, I was completely speechless," says Bill Cooler. "My family was brought to tears of joy at Todd's vision and I just think of how proud my father would be of him. Ever since he bought it, it's been a euphoria of watching the place evolve."

The Mills House will be one of the homes featured on this year's *Back to the Future* tour on May 30 in Indianapolis, sponsored by Indiana Landmarks' affinity group Indiana Modern. Watch upcoming issues of Indiana Preservation for more tour details. To learn more about the Mills House's history and see additional photos, visit coolercenter.org.



Joining Forces

WHEN IT COMES TO preserving historic buildings, Indiana Landmarks relies on partnerships at the local level—people who can identify the places that matter most to communities. Groups who have formally allied with us as affiliates reap the benefits, including preferred interest rates on loans, a valuable tool on properties that can seem too risky a proposition for a traditional bank loan. In Marion, Richmond, and Huntington, affiliates are rescuing historic houses that are neglected, abandoned, and in some cases on the brink of demolition.

Around the turn of the twentieth century, a talented carpenter-builder named Samuel Plato was building a reputation as Marion’s architect of choice. An Alabama native, Plato became Indiana’s first licensed African American architect, designing grand



Huntington Alert used an Indiana Landmarks loan to rescue and repair the threatened c.1879 Humbert House (above). Richmond Neighborhood Restoration has employed several of our loans in its ongoing revitalization of the Linden Hill neighborhood, including a recent project at 2009 East Main Street (below).

PHOTOS BY BRIAN ZUERCHER (ABOVE), ERIC NICHOLSON (BELOW)



homes, churches, schools, and stores before leaving Marion in 1921 to design post offices and government housing around the country.

Last year, the owner of one of Plato’s remaining designs, an eye-catching Craftsman house built in 1905 at 917 South Adams Street, donated the property to our affiliate Save Our Stories (SOS), Marion’s nonprofit preservation group. As soon as the ink dried on the new deed, SOS mobilized an army of volunteers to clear mounds of debris from the main house and equally attractive carriage house.

Using a \$60,000 loan from Indiana Landmarks, the group is replacing a leaky roof and restoring brickwork on the main house. We also supplied a grant from our Efroymsen Family Endangered Places program to restore leaded glass windows on the house’s sunporch. Once exterior repairs are complete, SOS will market the property with protective covenants to a new owner who will finish the restoration.

Founded in 2012, SOS has championed projects including adaptive reuse of the Marion National Bank, saving the Wolfe Law building from demolition, and developing preservation guidelines for the city’s downtown commercial district.

“We’re pleased that Indiana Landmarks’ covenants will protect our investment in the Plato property,” says William Munn, SOS president and Grant County historian. “The partnership has been an invaluable asset for our organization’s growth. We’re able to take on more, larger-scale projects due to the expertise and confidence they have instilled in us.”

Since forming in 2014, our affiliate Richmond Neighborhood Restoration (RNR) has aimed to turn around the city’s Linden Hill neighborhood, taking on problem houses that need some TLC and improving them enough to attract buyers who can finish the work. Using a mix of volunteer labor and hired contractors, they’ve fixed up and sold three historic homes so far, putting money from the sales towards the next project. In 2019, they acquired two historic homes: a mid-nineteenth-century Federal-style house with Italianate features at 2009 East Main Street, and a house just a couple blocks away slated to be demolished through Richmond’s blight elimination program. Instead, the City donated the house at 2237 East Main Street, once voted the ugliest in Richmond, to RNR. The organization tackled 2009 East Main first, putting on a new roof, installing new electric and mechanical systems, and adding a fresh exterior paint scheme. At 2237 East Main, volunteers cleared out mountains of clutter and workers made immediate repairs to stabilize the property, which RNR hopes to renovate and put on the market by this summer.

In Marion, our affiliate Save Our Stories is using an Indiana Landmarks loan to replace a leaky roof and repair brick on a Craftsman house designed by Samuel Plato, Indiana’s first licensed African American architect. The group employed a crew of volunteers to clear debris from the house, and after making repairs, plan to market the property with our protective covenants, selling to a buyer who can complete the restoration. PHOTO BY PAUL HAYDEN

“Every project we’ve done has used Indiana Landmarks loans. They’ve been incredibly valuable to us, increasing our working capital and helping bridge the gap financially,” says RNR President Eric Nicholson. “Indiana Landmarks’ regional staff is also such a good resource in troubleshooting how to do certain repairs and making sure we’re protecting the home’s original features.”

In Huntington’s Old Plat Historic District, the c.1879 built for George and Martha Humbert occupies a prominent corner. Its high-style Italianate details—including scroll-sawn corbels at the roofline, tall double-hung windows, carved limestone window headers, a two-story bay window, and a hipped-roof with cupola—were impressive even in decay. When the house fell into foreclosure in 2015, the City recruited our affiliate Huntington Alert as receiver to save the landmark from demolition.

Aided by a \$75,000 loan from our Efroymsen Family Endangered Places program, Huntington Alert cleaned out the Italianate residence, added a new roof, new HVAC and mechanical systems, cleaned, painted, and installed drywall, and tuckpointed brick, returning the property to a single-family home. Contractors reinstalled the original front door, in storage in the garage, and reglazed and repaired curved glass windows. The group worked with the City to have the Humbert House designated a local historic landmark and donated a preservation easement on the property to Indiana Landmarks, ensuring its long-term stewardship and protection. With the home’s sale pending at the end of 2019, it’s the kind of turnaround story we like to celebrate.



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Indiana Landmarks is thankful for each and every contributor and all our members. Your support enables us to act quickly when historic places are threatened and help communities use preservation to revitalize neighborhoods and downtowns and reconnect with heritage. The following list reflects gifts above the level of individual and dual membership given between September 1, 2018, and August 31, 2019. Please know that we are grateful for the support of every member.



Last May, Indiana Landmarks celebrated the grand opening of the Kunz Hartman House in New Albany following a 20-month restoration to reverse fire damage at the Queen Anne landmark and repurpose it as our Southern Regional Office. PHOTO © CITY OF NEW ALBANY

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Back to the Future, the annual Mid-Century Modern Home Tour sponsored by Indiana Landmarks' affinity group Indiana Modern, returned to Columbus in the tour's twelfth year, showcasing five private residences built between 1958 and 1963.

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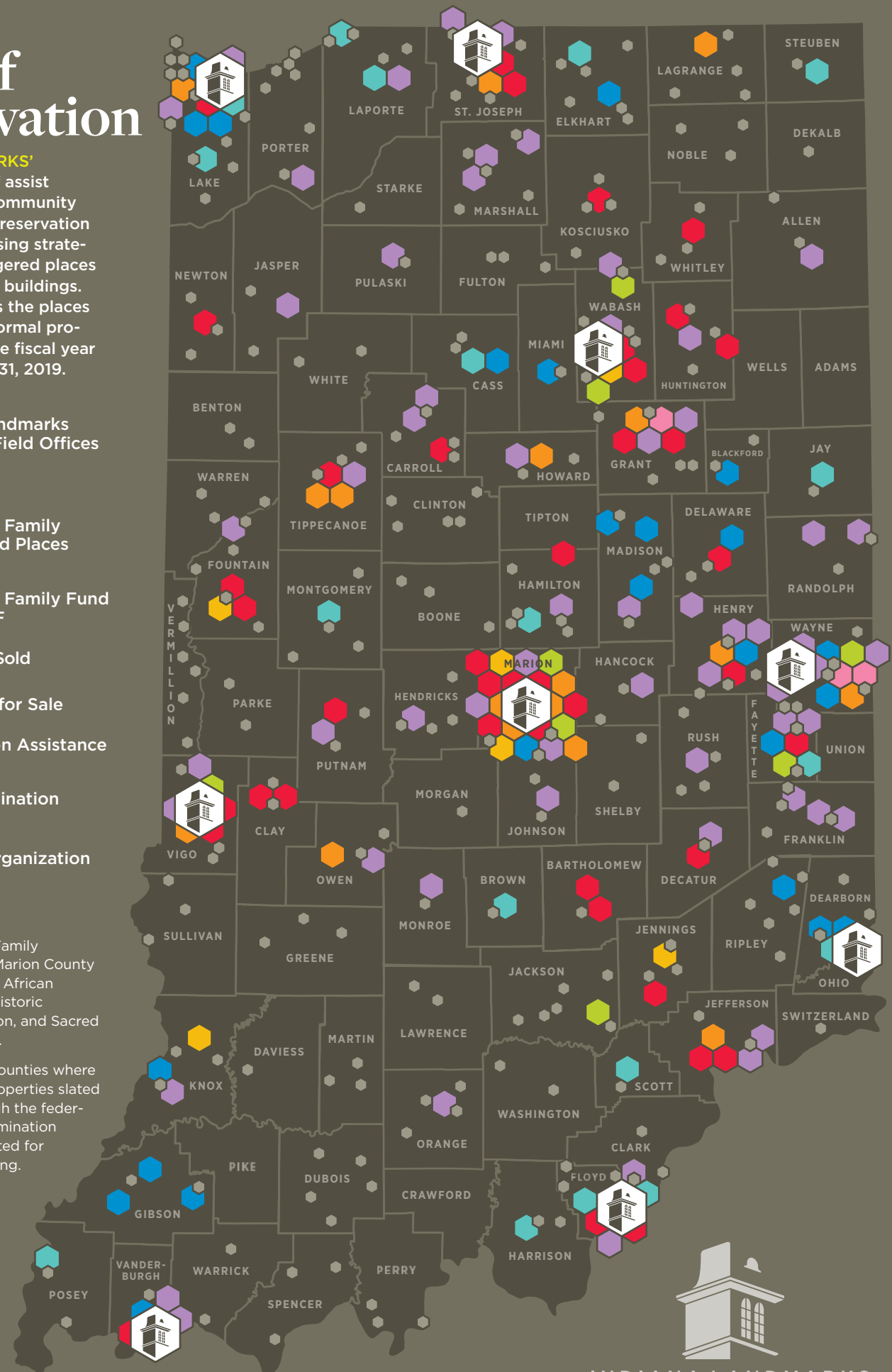
State of Preservation

INDIANA LANDMARKS' regional office staff assist property owners, community leaders, and local preservation organizations, devising strategies to save endangered places and restore historic buildings. The map represents the places where we put our formal programs to work in the fiscal year that ended August 31, 2019.

-  Indiana Landmarks Regional/Field Offices
-  Grant*
-  Efroymson Family Endangered Places Loan
-  Efroymson Family Fund Grant/CICF
-  Landmark Sold
-  Landmark for Sale
-  Commission Assistance Contract
-  Blight Elimination Program†
-  Affiliate Organization
-  Site Visit

* Includes Efroymson Family Endangered Places, Marion County Historic Preservation, African American Heritage, Historic Preservation Education, and Sacred Places Indiana grants.

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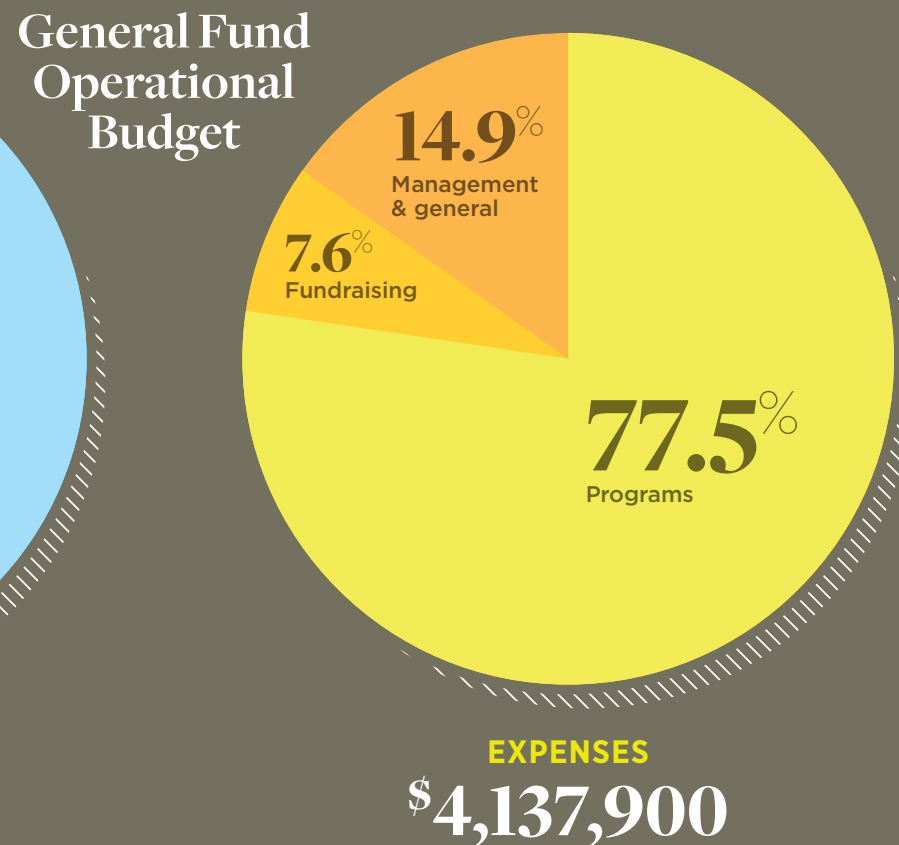
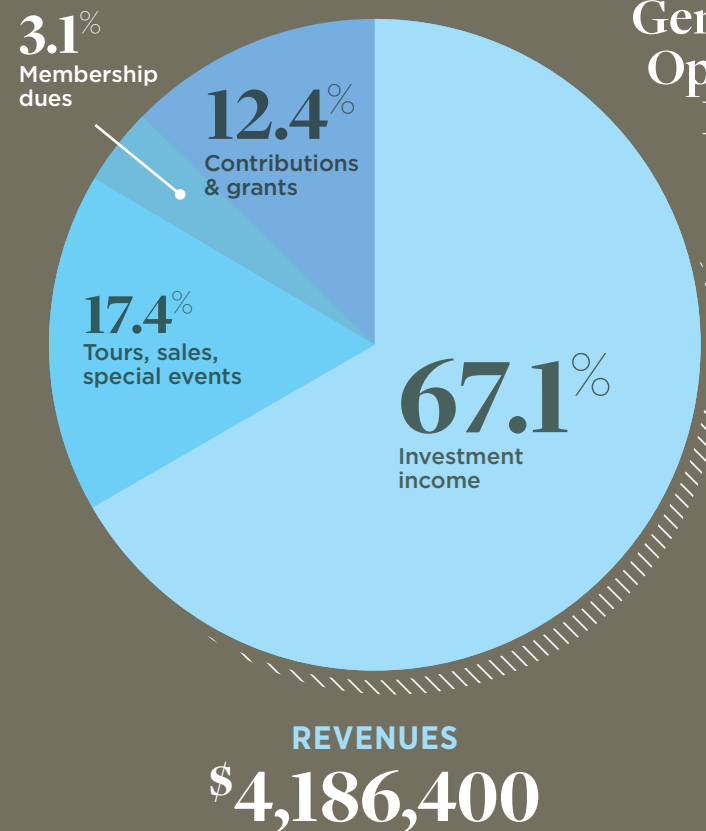
2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

In the fiscal year ending August 31, 2019, Indiana Landmarks' finances continued to strengthen, with our net asset balance increasing from \$85.1 million to \$85.6 million, supported by positive returns on invested endowment assets.

Indiana Landmarks' staff and board-level finance and investment committees continue to carefully manage the organization's resources. We limited opera-

tional spending for the fiscal year to remain within our budgeted endowment draw, supplemented by additional revenues. The graph identifies the sources of operational revenue and our use of those funds.

For complete audited financial statements, visit Indiana Landmarks' website, indianalandmarks.org, or contact Senior Vice President and CFO Mary Burger at 800-450-4534.



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As part of a task force to save the threatened 1915 Kendallville High School, Indiana Landmarks helped convince school leaders to donate the building to the City. A new nonprofit formed by the Dekko Foundation will rehab the school as a community learning center.

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Perfect Fit

WITH PEELING PAINT ON THE walls, a leaky roof, and demolition looming, in 2016 the appearance of Wabash's Alber House scared off most would-be saviors. Undeterred, Indiana Landmarks persuaded the owner to donate it to us and convinced the City to contribute money it had earmarked for demolition. With additional support from the Efrogmson Family Fund and the Alber family, Indiana Landmarks restored the exterior while it hunted for a buyer, finding the perfect fit in experienced restorers Ed Norman and Tim Parnell.

"It's a picturesque diamond in the rough—bright, unique, and intact. We didn't even know at first that it is the oldest surviving house in Wabash," says Norman, a longtime member of Indiana Landmarks.

Philip Alber, an immigrant mason from Lichtenstein, built his home in just 10 days in 1849, living with his



After rescuing Wabash's Alber House (above) from demolition, Indiana Landmarks restored the exterior, seeking buyers who could finish work inside. We found a match this year in experienced restorers Ed Norman and Tim Parnell (left).

PHOTOS BY LEE LEWELLEN (ABOVE), JOAN HOSTETLER (LEFT)

family on the upper floor and operating a German-style cafe on the lower level and back yard beer garden. Growing up in Wabash, Ed Norman remembers being intrigued by its picturesque appearance. "I had noticed the house for years, but it was Tim who really drove the purchase. Tim is a transplant from Birmingham, Alabama, and restored an old house there before moving to Indiana."

The two plan to keep the house's original features, including wide-plank wood floors, stairway, brick walls, and the limestone paved floor in the basement. In rehabbing the house, Indiana Landmarks increased the pitch of the new roof, creating more usable living space on the second floor and allowing the house to maintain its original footprint without the need for an addition. A master suite will be installed on the second floor, with kitchen, living, and half bath on the main level, while the lower level will serve as a guest suite for visiting family. When family isn't using the house, the couple is considering making the property available on Airbnb.

Last year, Indiana Landmarks also sold historic houses in Indianapolis and North Vernon, and churches near Vincennes and Hillsboro. You can see historic properties for sale by Indiana Landmarks and others at indianalandmarks.org/for-sale.

Enjoy reading about the transformation of the Alber House?



Discover other come-back stories in *Indiana Landmarks Rescued and Restored*, a coffee table book due out in May 2020 featuring more than 50 landmarks across the state saved and restored for the next generation. Stay tuned for details in future issues of *Indiana Preservation*.

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In 2019, Preserving Historic Places, Indiana's Statewide Preservation Conference, traveled to Evansville, drawing attendees from around the state to see how the city has adaptively repurposed several historic landmarks. The former Vanderburgh County Courthouse, now used as an event center, served as conference headquarters.

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REINVIGORATING SACRED PLACES

In recent years, historic houses of worship have become increasingly endangered as shrinking congregations struggle to sustain landmark buildings. To help congregations before they reach a crisis, in 2015 Indiana Landmarks established Sacred Places Indiana in partnership with the Philadelphia-based Partners for Sacred Places.

Since 2015, Sacred Places Indiana has provided training to 35 congregations statewide, aiding preservation of historic houses of worship including Seymour's Bethel Community Church (left). A \$25,000 grant from the program will help Marion's God's House Ministries rehab a stone-faced chimney and parapet wall on its 1904 church.

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Since then, Sacred Places Indiana has provided training in landmark stewardship, community engagement, and fundraising to 35 congregations. In the past fiscal year, the program awarded \$118,750 in grants to help participating churches with repairs, fundraising planning, and architectural studies.

In Seymour, Bethel Community Church's congregation had shrunk to just 15 people when it applied to the program. Through Sacred Places training, members learned how to engage their community in new ways, partnering with other churches and agencies on an initiative to provide emergency shelter for homeless people. Now, Bethel

Community Church is embarking on two capital campaigns to raise money for repairs to its historic building, holding fundraisers and connecting with potential donors who have ties to the church.

"Sacred Places Indiana has made our congregation live in the community. We are more alive now than ever before," notes Rev. Dr. Sondra Gentry, the church pastor.

In the last fiscal year, Sacred Places Indiana made three \$25,000 capital grants to help congregations in Columbus, Marion, and Wabash repair their historic houses of worship. Columbus's North Christian Church, a National Historic Landmark built in 1964, will restore its heating and cooling systems. God's House Ministries in Marion is rehabilitating a stone-faced chimney and parapet wall on its 1904 church, while Wabash Presbyterian Church is using the money to kick off a \$750,000 capital campaign.

In 2019, Indiana Landmarks received a \$800,000 grant from Lilly Endowment to support Sacred Places Indiana for the next three years. It's a much-needed boost for a vital program we hope to continue for years to come.



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usually happen overnight. More often it requires years-long vision, investment, and sweat equity. When a community needs advice on next steps for a vacant or threatened building, Indiana Landmarks is prepared to help. Two recent projects—one just beginning and one recently completed—illustrate our involvement.

This year, we offered our expertise to the City of Kokomo as it sought to save Kokomo's vacant Douglass School. Named for abolitionist and former slave Frederick Douglass, the school opened in 1920. Its construction sparked controversy as African American students—who previously attended schools nearest their homes—were segregated into the separate school.

In acquiring the building, Kokomo seized an opportunity to save a building at the heart of the city's African American community and make it part of revitalization efforts in the north side Carver neighborhood. Indiana Landmarks recommended the project for a \$10,000 grant from the Efroymsen Family Fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, and we're advising the City on nominating Douglass School to the National Register of Historic Places, an honor that could qualify the building for tax credits for rehabilitation. They plan to install a new roof and windows resembling the originals, lost long ago.

In July, residents of Shelburn in western Sullivan County celebrated a nearly decade-long effort to save the Shelburn Interurban Depot/Substation, a rare survivor of Indiana's once extensive interurban system. Built by the Terre Haute, Indianapolis, and Eastern Traction Company, the depot included a c.1911 wing containing passenger and freight rooms

Indiana Landmarks often helps towns and cities figure out what to do with vacant buildings. This year, we celebrated the completed rehab of Shelburn's Interurban Depot (above) and advised the City of Kokomo on plans for the 1920 Douglass School (below).

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and a c.1916 wing housing a substation for the electrical system that powered interurban cars. The landmark had been vacant for years when the Town of Shelburn acquired it in 2010.

Indiana Landmarks awarded an Efroymsen Family Endangered Places grant in 2012 to help fund a rehab plan for the structure. With the plan in hand, the Town began a multi-year rehabilitation effort, getting technical advice from Indiana Landmarks. The Town is now marketing the depot for lease, retaining an important piece of transportation history and returning a once-vacant landmark to the tax rolls.



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Our Indiana Automotive affinity group promotes preservation of the state's auto heritage. In July, the group traveled to Auburn to see private automobile collections and tour auto-related landmarks, including the National Automotive and Truck Museum (above), part of the National Historic Landmark Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum. PHOTO BY BOB ZYROMSKI

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State Preservation Conference
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If These Walls Could Tell Feb. 16, Indianapolis

Storyteller Lou Ann Homan comes to Indiana Landmarks Center to share an original story about Madison's Shrewsbury-Windle House, winner of Indiana Landmarks' 2019 Cook Cup for Outstanding Restoration. Indiana Landmarks and Storytelling Arts of Indiana, with support from Frank and Katrina Basile, developed the If These Walls Could Tell series in 2011. 4 p.m. Tickets cost \$15/person in advance, \$20/person at the door and are available at storytellingarts.org.

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State Preservation Conference April 14-17, South Bend

South Bend hosts Indiana's statewide conference in 2020, where participants will explore creative adaptive reuse projects that preserve the city's industrial and manufacturing legacy for the twenty-first century, with educational sessions, workshops, meals in interesting places, and entertaining tours.

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April 25, Indianapolis

Party for a great cause—saving endangered places—this year with a Tiki Time theme. Expect tempting food along with great music and dancing, and bid on one-of-a-kind experiences. Learn about the newly announced 10 Most Endangered and applaud the 2020 winner of our Cook Cup for Outstanding Restoration. Rescue Party raises money for our Endangered Places programs, helping us save meaningful landmarks statewide. 6-11 p.m. Early bird tickets cost \$75/friend, \$125/patron.





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Around the state, historic churches have found new life as restaurants, theaters, event venues, and one-of-a-kind homes—all purposes Trinity is ideally suited for.

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We're looking for a buyer for the 1859 Trinity Episcopal Church in Connersville and its neighboring parish house, for sale for \$70,000. We've repaired the roof on the Gothic Revival-style church, an eye-catching structure that retains original stained glass, wood, and a fully functioning pipe organ. Its large sanctuary hall would make a memorable setting for a restaurant, event center, or even a home.

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