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Gary, IN – 11/9/2020 – Despite all of the challenges and economic strife that companies have faced over the last few months, Gary-based Performance Plus has ramped up its philanthropic activities and has aligned its corporate support with causes that matter most to its employees. In just the last few months, the company has made donations to at least 10 different nonprofit and community organizations in areas throughout Indiana. Performance Plus, and its employees, have been proud to support:

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- Boys and Girls Club
- Eskenazi Health

“We have been very fortunate to be part of an essential industry whose sole purpose is to clean and disinfect, and we wanted to share our good fortune with organizations that are helping people who have run into hard times. It is very important for all companies to work with missions they strongly believe in and ones that help bring relief to members of the community,” said Paula Broutman, president of Performance Plus.

“One method we used to help select these causes was to ask our employees what was im-

portant to them. Our employees have been amazing throughout the past few months and we wouldn’t be where we are without them,” she added. Additionally, Performance Plus has plans to provide additional support throughout the rest of the year to organizations including Habitat for Humanity of NWI, Buddy Bags, the Food Bank of NWI, Meals on Wheels, and possibly others.

About Performance Plus: Performance Plus is a family owned and operated company based in Gary, IN that provides a wide variety of janitorial services to the business community. The company began as Gary Window Cleaning in 1917 and currently employs more than 250 people in the state of Indiana. Clients include office buildings, universities, health facilities and industrial facilities.

*Source: Performance Plus*

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# Blood donations urged amid COVID-19 pandemic, upcoming holidays

The American Red Cross is urging healthy donors of all blood types to band together to give blood and help ensure a stable blood supply for patients this holiday season.

The traditional slump in blood donations between Thanksgiving and New Year’s comes as the blood supply already faces challenges created by the coronavirus pandemic. Required medical treatments and emergencies don’t pause for the holidays or a widespread coronavirus outbreak.

Make your appointment to give blood, platelets or plasma with the Red Cross by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

In thanks for making time to donate around Thanksgiving, those who come to give blood Nov. 25-28 will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, courtesy of Suburban Propane, while supplies last

Important COVID-19 information for donorsThe Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor’s immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms. Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current

coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org). A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

*Source: American Red Cross*



# Church Directory

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Pastor Dr. Michael White

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Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Wed. Evening Bible Study 7 p.m.

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**www.anopendoorchurch.org**

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Friday 7:30 p.m.

**Black Oak Church of Christ**

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**www.hammondrc.org**

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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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dinners, you know the ones where the church families came together and did a buffet style dinner on Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Thanksgiving & Christmas for the community. If so you are part of this family. Love has hands and feet is what the Pastors would say. Within these walls not only was there Prayer, Worship and Deliverance, there was laughter, love and celebrations of birthdays, marriages and new life. When one celebrated we all celebrated. There were also heartaches and heartbreaks, and shared tears of celebrating a life that has passed on. When one hurts we all hurt. We are family. Some have stayed and some have gone but we are family.

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# Regional Development Company announces year-end accomplishments and awards

The Regional Development Company (RDC), headquartered in Valparaiso, IN and with a location in Homewood, IL., announced their 2020 year-end accomplishments and elections at their Annual Membership Meeting held at virtually on November 5, 2020. The Regional Development Company is a non-profit organization and Certified Development Company (CDC) that administers the U.S. Small Business Administration's 504 Loan Program for small business growth.

The Board of Directors elected the 2021 slate of officers, which included, Michael Schneider, First Financial Bank, as Chair; Matt Saltanovitz, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, as Vice Chair; Scott Casbon, First Merchants Bank, as Secretary; John Matthiesen, retired from CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, as Treasurer; and Rex Richards, Valparaiso Chamber of Commerce / Valparaiso Economic Development Corporation, as Past Chair.

"I want to compliment the entire RDC staff," said

Rex Richards, outgoing Board Chair. "They worked diligently during the pandemic to answer questions for hundreds of businesses and they did a remarkable job. We as Board Members can't be proud enough at the outstanding job they've done." During Mr. Richards' two year term as Board Chair, the RDC was a catalyst in the creation of over 600 jobs and over \$150 million in capital investment. The organization's loan portfolio also exceeded \$100 million for the first time in its 25-year history.

The Membership of the Regional Development Company elected Mike Riehle from the LaPorte Economic Advancement Partnership, to the Board of Directors. "We are excited to add Mike to our Board," commented Erica Dombey, President and Executive Director of the Regional Development Company. "His prior experience as a commercial lender paired with his current position in economic development makes him a perfect fit for our organization."

*Source: DMS*

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# Hammond Holiday Parade

HAMMOND, IN – Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. and the Hammond Holiday Parade Committee invite you to attend the 2020 Hammond Holiday Parade on Saturday, Dec. 5 beginning at 10a. The parade starts at Gavit High School, 1670 – 175th Street, heads east to Indpls. Blvd. turns north on Indpls. Blvd. and proceeds down Indpls. Blvd. to end at the Hammond Sportsplex

between 167th and 165th Streets.

*\*\*Note: this is a route change from past years! \*\**

The parade's Grand Marshal this year is the cast from the Towle Theater. Those Funny Little People and area high school marching bands will also provide entertainment. New this year before the parade, jump in on the Santa Sprint Fun Run! This one-mile run starts at 175th

& Indianapolis and ends in front of the Sportsplex just past 165th Street. Shirts will be available for purchase online and at the event. There is no cost to enter, simply register at the event or pre-register here: [phttps://www.gohammond.com/product/santa-sprint-fun-run/](https://www.gohammond.com/product/santa-sprint-fun-run/)

If your business/organization wishes to enter a float, vehicle or walking group in the parade, find the online

participation form at <https://www.gohammond.com/hppf> call (219) 853-7708 for more information. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Entry deadline is November 18. Don't forget to bring your camera!

*Source: City of Hammond*

## Mayor Thomas M. McDermott, Jr. and the Hammond City Council Presents

### Saturday December 5 10:00 A.M.



The Holiday Parade begins at 10:00 A.M. at Gavit High School and ends at the Hammond Sportsplex. Join us for all the fun and a great kickoff to the 2020 Holiday Season!



# Holiday PARADE



For more information, call Hammond Parks & Recreation at 219.853.6378 or visit [gohammond.com](https://www.gohammond.com)



# Hammond Education Foundation Announces New Director

Hammond, IN – The Hammond Education Foundation (HEF) Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Roxanna O'Rourke has been named the new Director of the education foundation.

Mrs. O'Rourke comes to the Foundation with over 20 years of business marketing and project management experience. Roxanna most recently served as the Hammond Education Foundation

Board President and has been an active member of the Board for over three (3) years. During her time on the Board, Roxanna has chaired the Programming Committee, contributed to the Relationship Committee, and participated in planning the Foundation's annual dinner.

As a lifelong Hammond resident, Mrs. O'Rourke is a product of the School City of Hammond and is passionate about the city and the school district. "I have supported the School City of Hammond through its' many transitions and look forward to positioning the Hammond Education Foundation as a key component to the success of Hammond's students and teachers," she explains.

In the community, Roxanna currently holds a board seat with the Hammond Hispanic Community Committee.

Her passion for helping people and organizations grow in both depth and purpose is paramount. "Our community's diversity and unending talents are the key to our students' future, and whether it is through being a donor, a volunteer, or friend, we can all make a positive difference in someone's life."

The Hammond Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization and philanthropic partner of the School City of Hammond. Since its origin in 1983, HEF has generated more than \$1.5 million in scholarships, classroom grants, programs and other support for extraordinary learning experiences and opportunities to help Hammond students succeed – in school and beyond."

*Source: Hammond Education Foundation*

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# Hammond celebrates the Holidays with Canvas Painting

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This, our third canvas painting event at the Civic Center, is open to residents as well as non-residents of the City of Hammond.

Registration for this event is \$35 and is taking place at the Hammond Civic Center located at 5825 Sohl Ave. Monday through Friday from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. This fee includes all supplies for the canvas painting and step-by-step instruction. Spaces are limited to 30 people, all of which are required to come wearing a face mask or covering.

For more information on the Holiday Canvas event, contact the Hammond Parks & Recreation department at (219) 853-6378 or visit [www.gohammond.com](http://www.gohammond.com). For direct questions regarding the event, contact Selina at [baezs@gohammond.com](mailto:baezs@gohammond.com).

*Source: Hammond Parks and Recreation Department*

# Bishop Noll to host virtual open house 11/23

Bishop Noll Institute will host a virtual open house for prospective students and their families beginning at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 23. Families should register by visiting [bishopnoll.org](http://bishopnoll.org) and clicking on the "Virtual Open House" link or may contact Director of Admissions Jeff Stur at [jstur@bishopnoll.org](mailto:jstur@bishopnoll.org).

The virtual open house will allow prospective students to hear presentations from staff members regarding everything the Catholic school in Hammond has to offer. Discussions will include curriculum and technological resources provided to all students, including a state-of-the-art STREAM Lab and Innovation Center that was recently recognized as one of the top 12 high caliber STEM facilities in the nation. A variety of fun and engaging extra-curricular activities will also be discussed.

Attendees will also learn how Bishop Noll continues to maintain a A-rating by educating students in mind, body, and soul. The open house will include information about the admissions process, scholarships, and financial aid opportunities available to students.

*Source: Bishop Noll Institute*



# Purdue Northwest, Munster High School partner to provide engineering internships

**HAMMOND and WESTVILLE, Ind.** — Experiencing engineering at a college campus while still in high school is a unique opportunity, and Purdue University Northwest (PNW) is proud to collaborate with Munster High School to bring an innovative internship program to its students at the PNW Hammond Campus.

The Engineering Internship Program for high school students began in fall 2019 through PNW's department of Mechanical and Civil Engineering (MCE) and the Center for Innovation through Visualization and Simulation (CIVS), partnering

with Munster High School through Brad Docter, career and technical education coordinator. The program's first two students designed a machine with moving parts to serve as an auxiliary to a clean energy system.

During fall semester 2020, Munster High School senior Rayhan Zaman is working on an internship project to design a mechanical iris mechanism, inspired by the human eye. The iris helps control light entry into a solar reactor, making it possible to maintain constant temperatures to provide steady fuel efficiency.

"I know most high schools do not give the opportunity to

do these types of internships, so I am grateful for the opportunity to be here," said Zaman. "I have been really interested in engineering since I was little, and the internship is a great way for me to apply many of the skills I learned in school to a real-world task."

PNW's MCE Department Chair and Professor Nesrin Ozalp, an international expert in renewable energy systems, adds, "It is exciting to see a new generation's interest towards creating engineering solutions for our planet's limited energy sources and growing environmental issues."

PNW's Mechanical and Civil Engineering Lab Supervisors Connor Feeney and Marcel Mejulu serve as mentors and help the interns learn engineering design principles via Computer-Aided Design (CAD) and SolidWorks software so they can create their own machines and/or machine parts from scratch. Feeney and Mejulu work closely with the interns to ensure their design evolution is ready for product manufacturing, and assist with 3D printing of the final design. The internship culminates in generating simulations of the intern's design, using PNW CIVS cutting-edge technologies, with guidance from CIVS Research Engineer Kyle Toth.

"This partnership has been a great opportunity for our engineering students," Docter said. "These high school students are applying what they learn to actual college level and real-world activities.

At first, I thought this would be too difficult for the students, but they are stepping up and not only meeting the challenge but succeeding beyond my expectations. This partnership has increased our students' interest in engineering and also in Purdue Northwest. The last four students who have gone through the internship have enrolled in a PNW Engineering program."

## The Purdue Northwest School of Engineering

The PNW School of Engineering is recognized for its expertise in mechanical, civil, computer, and electrical engineering. For 2021, U.S. News has ranked the school No. 60 among the Best Engineering Programs in the United States, of engineering schools whose highest degree is a bachelor's or master's degree.

## Purdue University Northwest

Purdue University Northwest (PNW) is a premier metropolitan university dedicated to empowering transformational change in our students and in our community. Located in Northwest Indiana, near Chicago, PNW values academic excellence, supports growth, and celebrates diversity. For more information about PNW, visit [www.pnw.edu](http://www.pnw.edu).

*Source: Purdue University Northwest*

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Myself and Caash Charity would like to thank you for making a difference for children, families and seniors in our community. Thank you for standing with CAASH CHARITY as we continue to make a difference in NWI.

*Source: Caash Charity*

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# Data Center in Hammond Adds Senior Vice President

HAMMOND, IN—October 29, 2020 – Digital Crossroad has named Brent Streetman as Senior Vice President. In his new role, Streetman will be responsible for new customer acquisition, direct and indirect partnerships, and providing leadership for market strategies on the revenue pursuit team.

Before joining Digital Crossroad, Mr. Streetman provided over 25 years of executive management, sales and marketing leadership, and direct sales with both start-up and larger enterprise organizations at Anixter, Compass Datacenters, and Aligned. He also holds a Bachelor of Business Management from Texas A&M University.

“Our local presence is growing, and we are working closely with state and regional partners to truly make a transformative difference for Northwest Indiana and the entire state of Indiana. The addition of new industry leaders like Brent to our work is inspiring, and we are very glad he chose to join

us,” said Thomas P. Dakich, managing member.

The initial construction phases of Digital Crossroad are nearing completion. The facility is a 105,000-square-foot precast concrete facility that includes a data center, a shared-space tech incubator, and numerous features intended to minimize environmental impact. Its location was once the former State Line Generating Facility.

## About Digital Crossroad

Digital Crossroad is a regional wholesale data center developer based in Hammond, IN. The company is currently building out a 1.7 million square foot data center campus on a site that was previously the home of the State Line Generating Plant. Digital Crossroad is transforming the historic site into a 21st-century data center that offers unmatched economic and green energy benefits. To learn more, please visit [digitalcrossroad.com](http://digitalcrossroad.com).

*Source: Digital Crossroad*



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## WANTED

Name: ..... Leyva, Jose  
Alias: .....  
Sex ..... Male  
Race ..... Hispanic  
Height ..... 5'11"  
Weight ..... 254 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..  
Wanted For: ..... Pre-Trial Release Violation  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana,  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 8/24/2010  
Original Charge: ..... Dealing Marijuana.



## WANTED

Name: ..... Randall, Mareya  
Alias: .....  
Sex ..... Female  
Race ..... African American  
Height ..... 5'6"  
Weight ..... 135 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..  
Wanted For ..... Supervised Release Violation  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 9/12/2017  
Original Charge: ..... Tax Fraud



## WANTED

Name: ..... Teamer, Charles  
Alias: .....  
Sex ..... Male  
Race ..... African American  
Height ..... 5'7"  
Weight ..... 140 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..  
Wanted For ..... Supervised Release Violation  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 8/4/2017  
Original Charge: ..... Sell Cocaine



## WANTED

Name ..... Vargas-Rodriguez, Alejandro  
Alias ..... Vargas, Alex  
Sex ..... Male  
Race ..... Mexican  
Height ..... 5'4"  
Weight ..... 150 Pounds  
Eyes ..... Brown  
Hair ..... Black  
Marks/Scars/Tattoos ..  
Wanted For ..... Failure To Appear  
Warrant Issued by ..... Northern District of Indiana  
Hammond Division  
Date of Warrant ..... 3/21/1996  
Original Charge ..... Possession With Intent To  
Distribute Dangerous Drugs



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# Blood donations urged amid COVID-19 pandemic, upcoming holidays

(Nov. 5, 2020) —The American Red Cross is urging healthy donors of all blood types to band together to give blood and help ensure a stable blood supply for patients this holiday season.

The traditional slump in blood donations between Thanksgiving and New Year's comes as the blood supply already faces challenges created by the coronavirus pandemic. Required medical treatments and emergencies don't pause for the holidays or a widespread coronavirus outbreak.

Make your appointment to give blood, platelets or plasma with the Red Cross by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

In thanks for making time to donate around Thanksgiving, those who come to give blood Nov. 25-28 will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, cour-

tesy of Suburban Propane, while supplies last

Important COVID-19 information for donors  
The Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms. Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is

not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities Nov. 16-30: Lake County

Cedar Lake  
11/18/2020: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.,  
Boys and Girls Clubs of  
Greater Northwest Indiana,  
13000 Fairbanks

Crown Point  
11/19/2020: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m.,  
Holy Spirit Church, 7667  
East 109th Avenue

11/20/2020: 1:30 p.m. - 6:30  
p.m., First United Methodist  
Church, 352 S. Main Street

11/30/2020: 12:30 p.m. -  
6:30 p.m., Lakes of the Four  
Seasons, 1048 N Lakeshore  
Drive

Highland  
11/25/2020: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.,  
Wicker Memorial Park, 2215  
Ridge Rd.

Hobart  
11/23/2020: 2:30 p.m. - 6:30  
p.m., Hobart Community  
Center, 111 E Old Ridge  
Road

Merrillville  
11/16/2020: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Merrillville Blood Donation  
Center, 791 East 83rd Ave  
11/19/2020: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Merrillville Donation Center,  
791 E. 83rd Ave

11/21/2020: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Merrillville Blood Donation  
Center, 791 East 83rd Ave

11/23/2020: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Merrillville Blood Donation  
Center, 791 East 83rd Ave

11/25/2020: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.,  
Merrillville Donation Center,  
791 E. 83rd Ave

11/30/2020: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Merrillville Blood Donation  
Center, 791 East 83rd Ave

Schererville  
11/16/2020: 2:30 p.m. - 7:30  
p.m., St. John Township  
Community Center, 1515  
Lincoln Highway

11/27/2020: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.,  
American Legion Post 485,  
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