

HOOSIER UPLANDS EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



Mission Statement

The mission of Hoosier Uplands, is to plan, implement or cause to be implemented, and provide comprehensive services to the poor, elderly, and disabled. The corporation strives to alleviate poverty, improve living conditions, and provide access to health care and social services to those families and individuals in need within our service area. All endeavors are pursued with the client in mind, never forgetting the value of every human being or the importance of our responsibility to the public which we serve.

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21ST CENTURY AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Enrollment packets are available in your school office or you can call Hoosier Uplands and ask for Carrie Ritchison or Stephanie Stinson

Funded by 21st Century Community Learning Centers through IDOE.

ACADEMIC BASED PROGRAMMING

- Snack Time (3-3:30)
- Homework Time (3:30-4)
- STEM and or Literacy Time (4-4:45)
- Free time (4:45-5:45)



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Spots fill fast

FREE TO ALL SITES

Open Enrollment for the '25-'26 School Year!

Sites Served

Mitchell
Orleans
Shoals
West Washington
Springs Valley
Paoli

New!

The Orange County Food Trust has some exciting news

Press Release

Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority launches crowdfunding campaign for Farms to Friends Farm Stand \$6,000 goal to receive a matching grant through IHCD's Creating Places initiative PAOLI, Ind. (March 26, 2025) -

Paoli will soon provide greater access to fresh food if this crowdfunding campaign reaches its goal of raising \$6,000 by May 10, 2025. If successful, the project led by the Orange County Food Trust will receive a matching grant as part of the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority's (IHCD) Creating Places program.

"The creation of this mobile farm stand has tremendous upside for community members across the region," said Matt Rayburn, Chief Real Estate Development Officer at IHCD.

"This is an excellent example of how the Creating Places program can galvanize unique placemaking projects and we are thrilled to see this project come together through the collective work of the community."

Funds from this campaign will be used to create a mobile farm stand to increase food access in Paoli and nearby communities.

"The Farms to Friends Farm Stand will make it so much easier to bring farm-fresh produce to the people who need it most—not just here in Orange County but also in Crawford and Lawrence counties," said Janet Kennedy, Chair of the Orange County Food Trust. "By connecting local farmers to our communities, we're ensuring that everyone has access to fresh, nutritious food."

To help the campaign, click link below:

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Agape Kids House is a non-profit organization that provides emergency transition for children entering foster care. Serving Lawrence, Orange, and Monroe counties Agape also provides supplies and resources for foster and kinship families.

Since opening for operation in 2022 Agape has been able to serve nearly 250 children. In the fall of 2024, we were able to purchase our forever home. Through generous donations and fundraisers, we were able to pay \$80,000 on the new house and are borrowing the rest. We are asking for the support of the communities we serve to help us pay off the remaining amount owed, make needed updates to the home, and/or volunteer to provide services .



PayPal Donation
(Lawrence County Foster Group)



Amazon Wishlist



Volunteer Application



Follow us on Facebook for updates and information at:
Agape Kids House of Lawrence County



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TRAINING FOR THOSE IN NEED! CALL US
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CLEMENTS!

*We can help keep
your child safe!*

**HOOSIER UPLANDS OFFERS FREE CAR SEATS,
AND FREE CAR SEAT CHECKS FOR THOSE IN
NEED.**

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TO SPEAK WITH WHITLEY CLEMENTS!**

**Car seats offered include convertible, combination,
high back booster and booster seats!**



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Trudy Wells was in the hospital last week while there her sister died. Prayers for Trudy and her family during this difficult time.
- Prayers for Alverta Hart's granddaughter, Addison for a smooth labor delivery.

- Prayer requests for Laura Dougherty. Laura had surgery in early March and she will began her chemo treatments in early April. Laura is an assistant teacher at the Bedford Head Start Center.

