Walking for Dreams is scheduled for May 23 on the canal downtown and benefits 23 charities, including Edna Martin Christian Center and 100 Black Men of Indianapolis.
FOOD PANTRIES:

11:00am - 3:00pm, Monday-Friday: Edna Martin Christian Center, 2605 E 25th St., Indianapolis
Families can be served a maximum of once per week and will receive a pre-packed bag of food. State ID is required. For more information, contact Andrea Murphy at amurphy@ednamartincc.org or call 317-637-3776.

10:00am - 12 noon, Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Overcoming Church Bread of Life Food Pantry, 2203 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
For more info, call 317-931-8025, or email p.wyatt@overcomingchurch.org.

8:00am - 12 Noon, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: St. Vincent DePaul Society, 3001 East 30th Street, Indianapolis.
Also Friday 9am-noon, and Thursday evening, 5pm-7pm. For more info, call 317-924-5769.

For a comprehensive list of food pantries: The Indy Hunger Network has a long list of food pantries covering the Central Indiana area.
Go to their website at: https://www.indyhunger.org/find-help/

MORTGAGE HELP:

Mortgage assistance may be available through the the Indy Affordable Modification Program (IndyAMP). The program offers help to homeowners negatively affected by COVID-19. Apply at www.indyamp.org or call 317.932.3777 for more info. Residents without a source of income might find help at: INHP: https://www.inhp.org/crisis-resources, IHCDA: https://www.in.gov/ihcda/4464.htm, or Indiana Hardest Hit Fund: https://www.877gethope.org/programs

MEAL SERVICE:

At Risk After-school Meals: Frederick Douglass Park, 1616 E 25th St, Indianapolis
Youth ages 4-18 can receive a free snack after-school Monday-Friday, 3:00-4:00 PM. For more info, call 317-327-7174.

IPS Meal Service: The IPS Food Service Team will continue to provide pre-packaged breakfast and lunch during remote-learning days to all students 18-years-old and younger. Meal pick-up on will be 7:30–8:30 AM and 11 AM–1 PM on Wednesdays at Brookside School 54. More info / other locations are listed at https://myips.org/central-services/foodservice/.

Martindale-Brightwood EVENTS for May 2021

Sat May 1, 2021

10am - 6pm Community Care Kit Distribution
Where: Martindale-Brightwood Library, 2434 N Sherman Dr, Indianapolis
Martindale Brightwood Public Library will distribute Community CareKits containing shampoo, conditioner, emergency blanket, toothpaste, toothbrush, socks, and sanitary pad. Kits can be picked up at the Martindale-Brightwood library’s reference desk as long as they last. Contact Masada Sparrow at msparrow@indypl.org for more info.

10am - 10:30am Community Pandemic Wellness Initiative Event
Where: Zoom
Virtual Community Conversation about the COVID-19 vaccine. We will be talking about the safety and efficacy concerns regarding COVID-19 vaccines with Dr Leslie Hodge RPh as well as the next steps regarding community health and wellness. Contact info@cowiindy.com or 1-877-463-0504 for more info and the Zoom link. The event will also be broadcast via Facebook Live on the Overcoming Church’s facebook page.

10:30am - 12pm Frederick Douglass Little League
Where: Oscar Charleston Park, 2800 E 30th St, Indianapolis
Come out, support, and cheer on our 4-7 year olds - every Saturday in May, except Memorial Day weekend. Weather permitting. Call 317-724-5295 or email: Douglasslittleleague@gmail.com for more info.

11am - 12:30pm Purple Table Series
Where: Zoom / Facebook Live
PACE and MHAI welcomes you to our next Purple Table Series! This is a family-friendly event that offers candid conversation and surrounding recovery with a focus on community, individual recovery, re-entry, and mental health. Join us via Zoom at tinyurl.com/PaceRRC or watch on Facebook Live at facebook.com/IndyPace. Contact Kelly Wallace at 317-559-6140 or kwallace@PaceIndy.org for more info or the Zoom link.
Mon May 3, 2021

8:15am - 4:30pm  Compass Academy Mugs for Mother’s Day
Where: Compass Academy, 3920 N Keystone Ave., Indianapolis
Just in times for Mother’s Day, Compass Academy offers hand-made mugs for $15 each. Ready-made mugs are available at the school 8:15 AM-4:30 PM, May 3-May 7. Mugs can also be made to order. Call (317) 986-6611 to order or for more info.

9am - 6pm  Police Athletic League Baseball
Where: JTV Hill Park, 1806 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
PAL Baseball Season begins for 8-10 Year Olds and runs through June 28. For more info call 317-327-7177.

4:30pm - 5:30pm  Brightwood Branch Library Book Club
Where: Zoom
The Martindale-Brightwood Public Library Book Club discusses Luster: A Novel By Raven Leilani. Zoom meeting registration link: https://attend.indypl.org/event/4954754. Contact Masada Sparrow at msparrow@indypl.org for more info.

Tue May 4, 2021

12pm - 1pm  Peace Festival Press Conference
Where: Frederick Douglass Park, 1616 E.25th St.
Press Conference to bring awareness to the 2021 Peace Festival. Free. Contact Renea Gates at (317) 693-4700 or rgates@circleupindy.com for more info.

Thu May 6, 2021

6:30pm - 7:30pm  Self Defense for Women
Where: 37th Place Community Center, 2605 E 25th St, Indianapolis
May 6 & 13. Learn techniques and feel confident at this Self Defense Class designed for women. Space is limited. Child care provided. For more info, contact Trina Boyd at tboyd@ednamartincc.org or 317-619-3325.

Sun May 9, 2021

10am - 11am  Praise in the Parking Lot
Where: St John AME Church, 1669 Columbia Ave, Indianapolis
On Mother’s Day join us for our one-hour Praise in the Parking Lot Service. Socially distanced chairs with masks required, or remain in your car. Contact Marianne Cruse at SSTJOHNAME@indy.rr.com for more info.

Tue May 11, 2021

6pm - 7:30pm  One Voice Martindale-Brightwood Meeting
Where: 37 Place, 2605 East 25th Str.
One Voice Martindale-Brightwood meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. In-person or Zoom. For more info, please contact charlestoneknight@yahoo.com

Wed May 12, 2021

6pm - 8pm  Douglass Park Family Center New Building Public Meeting
Where: Frederick Douglass Park, 1616 E 25th St, Indianapolis
Public meeting to discuss the New Family Center Building. In-Person (Social Distancing / Masks required) and Zoom (Meeting ID: 982 7619 7871, Passcode: 12345) For info contact charlestoneknight@yahoo.com or 317-759-0113.
Sun May 23, 2021

1pm - 3pm  Walking For Dreams
Where: Buggs Temple, 337 West 11th Street Indianapolis, IN 46202
Multi-organization walk and fundraiser on the downtown canal. 23 non-profits participate this year, including Edna Martin Christian Center, 100 Black Men of Indianapolis, and SEND. On-site registration begins at 1 PM and the walk has 2 mile or 1 mile in-person options, and virtual options as well. Get info at https://www.walkingfordreams.org or call Jamie Scott at 317-637-3776.

Mon May 24, 2021

6pm - 7pm  Ralston Hovey Arsenal Andrew Brown Neighborhood Association Meeting
Where: Great Commission Church of God, 3302 N Arsenal Ave, Indianapolis.
Meets monthly on the 4th Monday. Social Distancing required: One Person per table, plus Face Coverings required. This month, IMPD & Applicant for New Building at 30th and Andrew Brown have been invited. For more info contact charlestoneyknight@yahoo.com

Tue May 25, 2021

1:30pm - 3pm  Martindale-Brightwood Code Compliance Committee Meeting
Where: Zoom
Code Compliance Meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of every month. This month’s meeting will occur via Zoom. Contact Code Compliance Chairperson Jacklyn McMillan Gunn, Chairperson at (317)696-4968, or erdie6@aol.com for more info.