

MARTINDALE-
BRIGHTWOOD
MONTHLY
EVENTS GUIDE

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2025

BRIGHT BUZZ



WHY COULDN'T THE ELF PAY HIS RENT?
HE CAME UP A LITTLE SHORT.

BRIGHT BUZZ

Your Source for Martindale-
Brightwood Events and News.

OneVoice
MARTINDALE BRIGHTWOOD

EMCC Gift Drive

Now through Friday,
December 12

Various drop-off sites
across Central Indy

Join EMCC in making this holiday season brighter for children and families in Martindale-Brightwood! Donate toys, school supplies, or household essentials and share the joy of giving this Christmas season.

Events

**REPEATING
EVENTS THAT
HAPPEN
WEEKLY!**



MON

EMCC Job Club

10:00am - 12:30pm

Edna Martin Christian Center, 2605 E 25th St.

Explore job opportunities, get résumé help, mock interviews, and more.

TUES

Senior Exercise

10:00am - 11:00am

Fredrick Douglas Park, 1616 E 25th St

Gentle exercises for seniors.

Cubs 959

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Leadership & Legacy Center, 2259 Ralston Ave.

WED

Senior Bible Study

11:00am - 12:00pm

Leadership & Legacy Center, 2259 Ralston Ave.
Bible study for seniors.

Friends of Douglass Park

2:00pm - 3:00pm

37th Place Community Center, 2605 E 25th St.

Community leaders advocating for the park.
Meets every second Wednesday.

Digital Skills Workshop Series

11:00am - 12:00pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

- Computers for Beginners (Dec 3)
- Email for Beginners (Dec 10)
- Microsoft Word: Part 1 (Dec 17)

SAT

Scouts 123/9590

10:00am - 11:30am

Leadership & Legacy Center, 2259 Ralston Ave.

THURS

Open Gym and Pickup Games

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, 3101 E 30th St

AGES 18-35 Everyone
Welcome Indy Peace Fellowship

Boy Scout Troops

8:30pm

ZOOM CALL

Senior Bingo

10:30am - 12:30pm

Edna Martin Christian Center, 2605 E 25th St.

Bingo for members of the Seniors Angels program.
Prizes include grocery and personal care items. Buffet lunch follows. \$1 per session.

Career Center

2:00pm - 4:00pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

Help with résumés, job searches, and applications.

Register at
<https://indianapolis.libnet.info/event/9814127#branch>



Tuesday, December 9
Let's Start Estate Planning
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 2259 Ralston, Indianapolis IN 46218

Learn about estate planning, including the four stages and common threats to your plan.



Friday, December 12
Ugly Sweater Party
 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
 Polk Stables, 1553 Lewis St.

Celebrate the season with networking, festive sweaters, and holiday cheer.



Friday, December 12
Holidays Around the World
 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
 2259 Ralston, Indianapolis IN 46218, Orange Room

Explore global holiday traditions with food, fun, and special surprises.



Friday, December 19
Cookie and Cocoa Winter Celebration
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 2259 Ralston, Indianapolis IN 46218

Enjoy winter-themed fun, festive treats, games, youth performances, and holiday card-making for seniors.



BY DESIGN
 WEALTH, POLICY, AND THE
 POSSIBILITY OF CHANGE

Community Conversations
 SHARE YOUR STORY.
 SHAPE THE FUTURE
 OF INDIANAPOLIS
 YOUR VOICE MATTERS.

Join us for real conversations about what has supported or blocked wealth and opportunity for your family or neighborhood.

Wednesday, December 3
 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 Cleo's Bodega & Café

Monday, December 8
 2 PM - 4 PM
 Frederick Douglass Family Center

Wednesday, December 10
 6 PM - 8 PM
 P30

SCAN TO
 RSVP
 TODAY!

For more info or to share your story, email INFO@SUCCESSPLUG.COM

Monday, December 1
Art Adventures

1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

Explore art inspired by picture books with Jeremy South of Ripple Mobile Arts. Children ages 3-6 will create their own masterpieces using a variety of materials.

Monday, December 1
Adult Book Discussion at Martindale-Brightwood

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

Discuss Whiteout by Dhonielle Clayton; new participants welcome.

Thursday, December 4
Smart Phone Drop In

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

Get help with any questions about your smartphone at this drop-in session.

Tuesday, December 30
Crafter Hours

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

IPL - Martindale-Brightwood Branch, 2434 N Sherman Dr.

Adult and senior patrons can learn new craft skills or get help with ongoing projects during this late-night drop-in session.

December 3, 8, 10
By Design: Community Conversations & Engagement

Various Dates & Locations (see flyer)

A citywide initiative where residents share experiences with wealth, policy, and daily life to help build stronger, equitable communities.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Edna Mae Barnes Martin's 128th Birthday

On November 25th, 1897, Edna Mae Barnes Martin was born! She founded the Edna Martin Christian Center in 1941, starting with just \$14 and a one-room day care to help children after the loss of her daughter. Today, EMCC has grown to serve thousands in Martindale-Brightwood, continuing her mission to support children, families, seniors, and the community. Her vision lives on, inspiring us over 50 years after her passing.



Email Newsletter

Edna Martin Christian Center's Monthly E-Newsletter, sign up today for news, events, and more! Events are clickable and easier to find with it too!



Quick-Access Food & Resource Guide **EMCC - FALL 2025**

The Fall 2025 Quick-Access Food & Resource Guide is a list of locations that provide food access in the community.

The Edna Martin Christian Center wishes everyone a Merry Christmas! May your holiday season be filled with joy, love, and meaningful time with family and friends.

We celebrate this season of giving, kindness, and hope, and we are grateful for the community that makes our work possible all year long.