

JUNE 2026

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*Happy June,  
Everybody!*

"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."  
- Martin Luther King Jr.

It's June! And we at Edna Martin Christian Center want to honor and celebrate the strength, resilience, and joy of our community. Your strength and dedication make a lasting impact every day, and today we celebrate you and the freedom, history, and progress this day represents. **Read more inside to read our new events!**

*Want more  
NEWS?*

Scan our QR code for  
EMCC's official **LinkTree!**



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MARTINDALE BRIGHTWOOD

YOUR SOURCE FOR MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD EVENTS

# EVENTS

Below are Repeating Events that happened 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

### 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.

### 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.

- Email for Beginners (June 10)
- Microsoft Word (June 17)
- Microsoft Excel (June 24)

## 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>

## SAT

### Scouts 123/9590

**10:00AM - 11:30AM**

LEADERSHIP & LEGACY CENTER, 2259 RALSTON AVE.





WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026

## Teen Magic: The Gathering 101

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Continue learning about childbirth in this guided education series.



FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026

## Community Peace Walk

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

2259 RALSTON AVE

A community celebration rooted in peace with giveaways, food, live music, activities, and volunteer opportunities.



FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026

## Youth Community Safety Day

AFTER THE PEACE WALK

2259 RALSTON AVE

Empowering youth through resources focused on mental health.  
FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026



## I AM WILD Exploration

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Kids ages 6–12 explore nature through hands-on activities inspired by wildlife and creative learning experiences.



SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026

## Free Notarization Services at Martindale-Brightwood

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Free, first-come-first-served notarization services for adults provided by The Mobile Notary Network.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026

## Your Rights as a Renter or Potential Home Buyer

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

2259 RALSTON AVE (COMMUNITY ENTRANCE)

Learn about Fair Housing, renters' rights, and how to protect yourself as a tenant or future homeowner.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026

## Male Role Models Celebration

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

2259 RALSTON AVE

A Monster Truck-themed celebration honoring dads, grandpas, uncles, and other male role models. Contact dholdeman@ednamartincc.org for more information like location!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026

## Job Fair

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

2435 N. SHERMAN DRIVE, SUITE 4

Connect with employers, explore job openings, and prepare for new career opportunities.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026

## Get Dirty with Solful Gardens (Gardening 101)

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Learn gardening basics including tools, soil, sunlight, watering, and what to plant in June.

MON-THURS, JUNE 22–25, 2026

## Vacation Bible School

DINNER: 6:00 PM | CLASSES: 6:30 PM

GALILEE MISSIONARY CHURCH, 1500 PIERRE AVENUE

A four-day Vacation Bible School with dinner and nightly classes for children and families.



THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2026

## Field Day at the Library

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Kids ages 6–12 engage in fun field-day games that promote movement, teamwork, and problem-solving.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

## Summer Reboot

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

2605 E. 25TH STREET, ROOM 305

Child care providers gather to refresh, reconnect, and prepare for a season of early childhood education excellence.

MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026

## Art at Martindale-Brightwood IV

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Meet the artist, enjoy conversation, and take part in an evening of art and community connection.

TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2026

## Crafter Hours: Late Night Crafting

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

IPL – MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD BRANCH, 2434 N SHERMAN DR.

Adults and seniors can drop in to craft, learn new skills, or work on personal creative projects.



# BRIGHT NEWS

What is happening in Martindale Brightwood?

## *Before/After School Program! (2026 - 2027)*

Our program is designed to provide high-quality STEM-focused learning and academic support, ensuring scholars build strong skills both during and beyond the school day. We prioritize targeted tutoring, homework assistance, and hands-on STEM enrichment to strengthen critical thinking, problem-solving, and real-world application.



## *Bus Route Change*

Starting June 14, 2026, IndyGo is updating several bus routes that may affect your commute. If you travel to us at Edna Martin Christian Center, pay special attention to Routes 5 and 21, as they're commonly used to get here. Check out this QR code for details!



## *Volunteering at Edna Martin Christian Center*

Want to find volunteering opportunities? Consider volunteering with Edna Martin! From helping at events to supporting our food pantry and programs. Stay updated by checking our BRIGHT events guide, Linktree, and email newsletters for new opportunities.

Ready to get started? Register by scanning the QR code below!



## ◀ *Con-GRAD-ualations!*

On May 29, 2026, our Pre-K class of 2026 graduated! We want to highlight and showcase our amazing, talented kiddos who walked down the carpet to their brand new adventure next year! We want to wish our class luck and many wishes for their bright futures ahead! Congratulations once more!



## *Continuing the 85th Anniversary*

The Edna Martin Christian Center is proud to celebrate its 85th anniversary, marking decades of service, impact, and commitment to strengthening the Martindale-Brightwood community. Our founder, Edna Mae Barnes Martin, started the Edna Martin Christian Center (previously known as the East Side Christian Center) in a single bedroom in an apartment after the passing of her daughter, and 85 years later, we expanded from a single-family apartment to two locations!

We are asking for stories from the community!

For one of the projects we are working on, we are reaching out to the community to ask if you have any personal stories, pictures, or videos about Edna Martin herself or the Edna Martin Christian Center. This could be what EMCC means to you, or if you even have a personal story with our founder herself. Please email [info@ednamartincc.org](mailto:info@ednamartincc.org) for any questions or stories!

We thank you in advance!

