



# What is Map3?

It's the third iteration of Muncie Action Plan, and it contains the Muncie community's updated priorities and aspirations. MAP3 is another strategic guide to achieving the goals of Muncie residents for the future and builds on the success of MAP1 (2010) and MAP2 (2013). With other planning documents like the Muncie-Delaware County Comprehensive Plan and the Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan, MAP3 serves as a guide for decision makers in local government, business, social services, and philanthropy.

A special thanks goes to Muncie Action Plan board members, Lisa Dunaway, and her urban planning students at Ball State University, and all the community members who took the time to contribute to the creation of MAP3.

## Box! Box!

A collaboration between Muncie Arts and Culture Council (MACC) and the City of Muncie, Box! Box! is a project to paint traffic signal control boxes for two reasons: to develop attractive, vibrant places that reflect the culture of the area and to engage the community with the public environment. Eighteen boxes were painted in 2018 and 2019. MACC provides a modest artist and supply stipend. Each box is primed, painted with an original design, and a final anti-graffiti clear coat is applied.

MACC is accepting design proposals for the 2020 Season. To apply and check out the boxes already painted, please visit <a href="http://munciearts.org/boxbox/">http://munciearts.org/boxbox/</a>. MACC is also seeking new funding to support the continuations of this community-wide project. To be a part of the action, email <a href="mailto:info@munciearts.org">info@munciearts.org</a>









## **Web of Support**

MAP's Task Force 1: Linking Leadership, Health, and Prosperity is working hard to develop a community-based mentorship program. A mentorship program provides learning and opportunities of prosperity for young adults. The education level of the local workforce is an important factor in the health of the community's economy. Mentorship programs directly affect the education level. The *Web of Support Program* will connect every child/youth to at least five positive, caring adults "anchors" who have high expectations of them and will provide unconditional love and support.

MAP, Sustainable Muncie and the George and Frances Ball Foundation is working with Derek Peterson, an expert in the field of youth development and one of the most sought-after youth-development speakers in the country. Derek will be coming to Muncie January 28-31 to hold four days of training with two groups of 25 adults and 25 teens. He will also be giving public presentations on Tuesday and Thursday evening.

## Muncie's Bridge Dinner







In September, the Washington Street Bridge was transformed into a gathering place featuring tables and chairs running the length of the bridge under a beautiful fall sky, jazz music, food, fun, and an abundance of Muncie Love during the 5th Annual Muncie Bridge Dinner. Over 800 people registered to attend, but many more showed up to the party. Music was provided by Muncie Central High School Jazz Band and The Bashville Boys. Checkerboards were available from Mrs. O'Neil and Mrs. Harris' second graders from the Burris Laboratory Art Room. As always, there was a variety of food and drink available for purchase, or folks brought their own picnics to enjoy. Items were for sale from Muncie Map Co., 107block, Muncie Art Farm, Tribune Showprint,

Speak Munsee, and CityTees.

The Muncie Bridge Dinner is an ongoing collaboration between Muncie Action Plan, City of Muncie, Shafer Leadership Academy, Cornerstone Center for the Arts, Muncie Downtown Development, Muncie Community Schools, Ball State Office of Community Engagement, Polcz Family Team at Coldwell Banker Lunsford, Ivy Tech Community College - Muncie, Community Foundation of Muncie and Delaware County, Muncie Chamber of Commerce, Muncie/Delaware County Economic Development Alliance, Walls Furniture, and Woof Boom Radio.





Bridge Dinner photos courtesy of Madeline Grosh

# Transparency in Government: 2019 Citizen Summit

Fifty community leaders gathered in September at the Ivy Tech Fisher Building Multi-Purpose Room for the 2019 Citizen Summit. Its purpose was to explore solution-focused, and nonpartisan, opportunities to foster transparency in local government. The summit provided citizens with tools for identifying transparent local government and an opportunity to talk about solutions for transparency in our community.

Breakout sessions included, "Opportunities and Challenges with Transparency: A State Perspective", "Translating Raw Data to Information - How you Can Help Government Succeed in Transparent Initiatives", "Building Real Relationships Through Social Media", and "Public Meetings and Public Records: Navigating Indiana's Public Law Access."

Lunchtime provided an opportunity for attendees to meet the candidates for the November local election. All candidates were invited, and ten accepted the offer. They were each given 60 seconds to address the crowd.

The summit wrapped up with a facilitated discussion "Creating Solutions for Our Community". Attendees shared their suggestions for increasing transparency in the community, discussed the suggestions, and voted for their favorites. The feedback was organized into a "Top 10" list and shared with the Mayor, City Council, County Council, and the County of Commissioners. It can be read here: www.openmuncie.com

## Coming Up In 2020

Leadership Academy and the Office of Community Engagement at Ball State for the 5th Annual Neighborhood **I.D.E.A Conference** on March 7th, 2020 at Ivy Tech's Fisher Building Downtown. This is an opportunity for Muncie's most active local leaders to gather to listen, learn, and meet likeminded individuals to share ideas and best practices. New this year, newly elected Mayor Dan Ridenour will present the State of the City address as the afternoon keynote.

**Map 3 Community Presentation:** Join us at the auditorium of Muncie Central High School on Tuesday, January 28 for a brief review of 2019 and to learn about the exciting things to come in 2020.

# MAP Neighborhood

## **Meetings:**

Updated for 2020

#### **MAP Neighborhood Presidents' Council:**

6pm, 3rd Tuesday, Fisher Building, Ivy Tech

**Blaine/Southeast:** 6pm, 2nd Tuesday, Serenity Club, 1218 S. Brotherton St.

**Cowing Park:** 6pm, 3rd Thursday, Gardens of Gethsemane Methodist Church

**Forest Park:** 6:30pm, 3rd Friday, Delaware County Senior Center

**Gilbert:** 7pm, 2nd Monday, Inside Out, 300 N. Madison Street

**Industry:** 6pm, 4th Thursday, Price Hall, 704 S. Madison Street

### 2019 MAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Tom Kinghorn, Ball State University, Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer, Emeritus and Executive Assistant to the President for Commercialization and Community Engagement, retired **Ludingwood:** 2pm, 3rd Saturday, Woodlands Nursing Home, 3820 W. Jackson St.

**Minnetrista/Central:** 6pm, 1st Tuesday, Minnetrista Cultural Center

**Northview:** 6pm, 3rd Monday, Northview Elementary, 807 W. Yale Avenue

**Old West End:** 6:30p, 4th Tuesday, Friends Memorial Church, 418 W. Adams Street

**Riverside/Normal City:** 7pm, 4th Wednesday, Hazelwood Christian Church Fellowship House, 1400 W. University Ave.

**South Central:** 7pm, 4th Monday, Bridges Community Services, 318 W. 8th Street

**Thomas Park/Avondale:** 6:30p, 1st Wednesday, Ross Community Center, 1110 W. 10th Street

**Western Woods:** 6pm, 1st Wednesday, Westview Elementary, 3401 W. Gilbert Street

Whitely: 5:30pm, 2nd Monday, Muncie Area Career Center, 2500 N. Elgin StreetMuncie Action Plan P.O. Box 596 Muncie, IN 47308 USA

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2020 will be seeing changes in the MAP's Board of Directors. We would like to take a moment to thank Terry Bailey, Betty Brewer, Brad King, and Tom Kinghorn for their service and dedication to our community!



#### WELCOME! NEW MAP SUPPORT STAFF

**Krista Flynn** is MAP's Administrative Coordinator and Program Coordinator for the Office of Community Engagement at Ball State University

**Megan "Mo" Orbin** is the Neighborhood Coordinator for Muncie Action Plan and Executive Assistant to the President at Woof Boom Radio.







#### Task Force 1: Linking Learning, Health, and Prosperity

MAP TF1/BY5 has increased resources and program to underserved families by over 60% and has increased access to high quality child care in Muncie/Delaware County by 22% since 2013.



#### Task Force 2: Fostering Collaboration

MAP TF2's efforts have created and sustained over 27 active neighborhood associations in the community of Muncie.



#### Task Force 3: Strengthening Pride and Image

MAP TF3 has worked together with communications partners to create Mymuncie.org, signage and delivering the good news of the opportunities Muncie has to offer.



#### Task Force 4: Creating Attractive and Desirable Places

MAP TF4 has strengthened Muncie's resiliency and code enforcement, helped to create the Muncie Cultural Train, Canan Commons and continues to work with Downtown Development to attract new business.



#### Task Force 5: Managing Community Resources

MAP TF5 has worked with Delaware County GIS department and helped to create Bike Muncie, Scout Muncie, has overseen Tuhey Pool Warterpark's transformation, reservoir projects, among other land resource improvements.



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