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MISSION: The mission of the Hawthorne Social Service Association is to provide or facilitate services and programs that meet the economic, educational, financial, social, recreational and civic needs of the entire Hawthorne Community.

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SERVICE AREA: White River Parkway, East; County Line Rd, West; 38th Street, North; and Thompson Rd, South

HAWTHORNE HISTORY

- ❖ 1923- 50 neighborhood residents form Hawthorne Community Center from a strip of land called Flack's Pasture. Instead of becoming a railroad coal dump, it is turned into a resource for the community.
- ❖ July 26, 1923, West Park Social Service Association is chartered by the State as Hawthorne's official name.
- ❖ Reverend Clarence Baker organized the first Center program for \$1,500 a year.
- ❖ 1924- March 2, the first building is dedicated. Its completed cost is \$20,000. Friends and neighbors pledged necessary funds, some as little as 25 cents.
- ❖ 1966-Fire damages the center. Reparations are made through local fundraising efforts. The majority of contributions come from the neighborhood.
- ❖ 1975- A second fire destroys the building. Insufficient insurance money is supplemented by neighborhood donations and funds from the neighborhood.
- ❖ 1975-79 Hawthorne programs are temporarily moved to the Central State Campus, School #50, and two houses owned by the agency.
- ❖ May 1979-The completed building is twice the size of the old one. The furniture and office equipment is donated or purchased with the help of the Indianapolis Parks Department, Eli Lilly and Company, and, of course, friends and neighbors of Hawthorne.
- ❖ 1992- Hawthorne becomes a member of the federation of centers known as CCI.
- ❖ 1999-Discussion between Southwest Multi-Service Center and Hawthorne take place regarding a merger of the two agencies.
- ❖ 2000-Hawthorne obtains the Carnegie Library Branch #2 located at 70 N. Mount St. and renovates it into an education annex and a valuable resource for the community.
- ❖ 2001-Southwest Multi-Service Center merges with Hawthorne and its service area is combined with Hawthorne's.
- ❖ 2004-CCI dissolves and Hawthorne returns to a United Way certified agency.



United Way
of Central Indiana

Services

CENTER FOR WORKING FAMILIES

Public Benefits Assistance, Financial Literacy, Employment Services, Homeless Prevention, Rapid-Rehousing, Counseling, Food Pantry, Crisis Intervention, Holiday Assistance, EAP/FEMA/WAF, Tax Preparation Services, Referrals

SCHOOL AGE CHILDCARE

Before & After School Care, Summer Day Camp

SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

Hot Home Cooked Meals Served Daily, Grocery Shopping & Field Trips, Bingo & Euchre, Wellness Activities

EARLY CHILDHOOD

All-day 4 year Childcare, Traditional Preschool Education Classes for 3's & 4's, Kindergarten Readiness, Field Trips, Mainstreaming of Developmentally Disabled Children

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT&RECREATION

Organized Sports, Teen Club, Open Gym, Dance, Youth Drug Prevention, Volunteer Opportunities

NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH

Neighborhood Meetings, Basic Awareness, Crime Prevention, and a Great Indy Neighborhoods Initiatives (GINI) community that promotes a holistic approach to healthy community building that integrates civic, social, physical and economic development

CO-LOCATED PROGRAMS

Alcoholics Anonymous, Cummins Mental Health services, Indianapolis Public Schools GED/ABE and English as Second Language classes, America Reads and America Counts tutoring program and the services of a veterinarian.

Funding

Hawthorne Community Center receives funding from a variety of sources. As funding enables us to provide the services and programs that are so valuable to our community, it is imperative that the reporting requirements for funders are adhered to as well as the entire organization striving to be fiscally responsible and frugal in all its endeavors. Funding sources and the amount of money received from each change from year to year so listed is an overview of each particular current funding source:

United Way: One third of the Center's funding comes from this major source of income.

Grants&Contracts: Hawthorne receives over half of the Center's funding through grants and contracts from several agencies to provide programs and services for its clients. Grants are a one time allocation. Contracts are monies received on a reimbursement for expenses basis.

Center Generated: This category includes any monies earned directly through the Center itself. It includes: program fees, fund raisers, and contributions.