



April of 2016

Indianapolis Skatepark Advocates Newsletter

Man, It has been quite a journey since the push for Halloween additions and party! We apologize for not reaching out and letting everyone know what is going on. We hope everyone has been able to enjoy the great new features from Hunger Skateparks and the new paint at the park! Thank you again to CICF and the IMA for making the additions possible! The park has gone through the winter with very minimal vandalism and graffiti, that is great. We are still getting used to our responsibility to the skateboard population and newsletters are a thing that we would really like to start doing. We will strive for once a month. If you have any concerns, questions, or would like to know how you can help you can always message us on Facebook, Instagram, or email. Indyskateparksadvocates@gmail.com. Here is what we went over at our last meeting.

- 1.) Check out our website!!! www.indyskateparks.com
- 2.) **May 21st** is going to be our spring clean up date. We will be the park all day cleaning and fixing stuff that needs fixing. (benches, signs, etc.) Come out and hang out pick up some trash, skate, ride, or whatever draws you. Be sure to stick around until 5pm because we will have a meeting about the future of the skatepark and other skateparks in Indianapolis. This will be your chance to voice your opinion of what should happen at the park. Here are some things we would like to address on this day, let us know if you can think of anything else:
 1. Replace aging 2x8s on benches
 2. Replace or clean official sign
 3. Info board (ugly blue sign in front of park.)
 - a. Create a sign for expectations of skateparks and why
 - b. Weatherproof info area for upcoming events etc.
 - c. Mural on backside of sign inside park area
 4. Clean up trash, possible trash pick up for clean up day.
 5. Trim growths under bleachers etc.
 6. Fix the drain
 7. Paint touch ups
 8. Possible vapor blast of flat bottoms
 9. Landscaping for the future. (shade trees?)
- 3.) T-shirts and stickers are being ordered. The first order will be limited so keep y our eyes open. They will go fast!

- 4.) We would like to be organized for scheduled renovations to the skatepark this summer. This will be an ongoing plan and we are working on a plan to create revenue to make sure this could be a yearly thing.
 - a. 2016 we would like to raise \$30,000 for a section of a snake run and some new street features. (some of this is already accounted for)
 - b. Next year will be the same amount of renovations, if all goes according to plan, this could keep happening for many years to come! We would like to fill the whole fenced in area if we can!
- 5.) We are also looking at fundraising for 2 new skateparks.
 - a. Grassy Creek on the east side 4-5,000 square foot park
 - b. Stout Field Elementary 9-12,000 square foot park with bmx track.

We always appreciate your input, feel free to message us on social media or email. Looking forward to seeing you at the park and in May for the clean up day. Take care and have fun! See you at the park!