

# FRIENDS OF GARFIELD PARK 2018 ANNUAL REPORT



## In 2018 Friends of Garfield Park celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### SPONSORSHIPS & PROGRAMMING

- Provided sponsorship support to Shakespeare in the Park, Garfield Park Junior Baseball & Garfield Park Farmers Market
- Completed a new Garfield Park teachers guide for school field trips



### EVENTS

- Hosted the National Recreation & Park Association conference attendees for a walking tour of Garfield Park
- Partnered with Big Car to host a summer beer garden in the Sunken Garden
- Hosted an Evening at the MAC with 8,000+ in attendance
- Hosted an Evening with Friends at the MAC in partnership with the Philharmonic Orchestra attended by 2,500+ individuals
- Conducted 4 Garfield Alive historic walking tours for 250+ attendees
- Hosted a 100 year birthday celebration for P.E. MacAllister in partnership with the Indianapolis Opera



### PARK ENHANCEMENTS & IMPROVEMENTS

- Began planning efforts for the restoration of the historic Romeo and Juliet pedestrian bridge
- Raised support for additional MacAllister Center beautification
- Continued an annual commitment of over \$20,000 in maintenance support for the Sunken Garden Fountains
- Made improvements to the youth baseball diamonds



### FUNDRAISING

- Raised \$291,000 in contributions & grants & \$80,000 in-kind
- Raised \$50,000 for Blake's Children Garden
- Raised \$30,000 at the annual Fore Garfield Golf Outing

### PARTNERSHIPS

- Partnered with Kiwanis, COLTS, Indy Eleven, Indianapolis Indians on Garfield Park Youth Sports Programming
- Developed new partnerships with One America and Zink Distributing



The Friends of Garfield Park exists to ensure the preservation & continuation of the public benefits of Garfield Park through enhanced funding, effective advocacy & expanded stewardship.

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