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BEYOND CONVENTION.

Grand Wayne Convention Center in downtown Fort Wayne, Indiana, is among the Midwest's most beautifully appointed, professionally staffed event facilities, hosting more than 325 events each year. Among the conventions, conferences, trade shows, meetings, and special events, the Center has earned an enviable 80% rebooking rate.

What's more, Grand Wayne offers:

- One day's easy drive for nearly one half the U.S. population due to Fort Wayne, Indiana's location at the "crossroads of America."
- 225,000 square feet of luxuriously designed, climate-controlled gathering spaces
- A 50,000 square-foot convention and expo hall, 18 meeting rooms & intuitive floor plans
- Three full-service adjacent hotels with garage parking and skywalk connectivity
- A full-service 12,000 square foot kitchen, professional chef and service staff offering gourmet food and beverage options
- Capacity for 4,500 theatre seating; 3,100 banquet set; 2,900 classroom style
- 30,000 square feet of polished terrazzo prefunction/reception corridors
- Ultimate high-performance WiFi capable of handling 5,000 users simultaneously
- Abundant natural light and comfortable, versatile lounge seating
- 122 restrooms (no waiting!)
- More than 40 years with a full, in-house staff of event planning professionals

BEYOND EXPECTATION.

Details make the difference. The award-winning Grand Wayne Convention Center offers more amenities than most facilities and a unique brand of hospitality that is the core of our reputation for creative, customized events, including:

- In-house sales team, event managers, event hosts, and guest experiences
- In-house professional AV technicians
- In-house, non-union engineering and room set crews
- Innovative meeting options, such as the engaging, movable CONVERG classroom collaboration suite
- Advanced technology options in every room providing full lighting, sound, presentation, special effects, and climate control
- Easy access loading zones and drayage with oversize openings for large vehicle and display maneuverability
- Walkable access to more than 60 restaurants, pubs, coffee & dessert houses, boutique shopping, arts and entertainment venues
- Accessible taxi and shuttle services
- Direct skybridge connection with the adjacent hotels, Botanical Gardens, and Historic Embassy Theatre and convenient access to Parkview Field, the extensive Allen County Public Library, and downtown
- Easy fly-in via Fort Wayne International Airport (FWA) and few minute's shuttle . . . or welcoming front-door access by car and garage parking for drive-to guests

"The most professional, state-of -the-art facility in the state of Indiana." –Gary M. Bollinger | President & CEO of Indiana CPA Society

GRAND SERVICES.

"The Grand Wayne is probably the most beautiful convention center I've ever been in. It's spacious, the layout of the rooms is perfect for us, and we have all the spaces that we need in a very compact area. It's so convenient to the hotels that we're using, and we just love how beautiful it is inside."

— Mike Sullivan
International Jugglers Association

In-house AV

team of professionals with capabilities to transform any space with sound and light

24/7

on-site engineering, room-set, and maintenance team

Our event managers are the centrifugal force behind our success and Grand Wayne Center's extraordinary

80%

rebooking rate!



GWCC's in-house professional audio-visual technology team creates the perfect sight and sound combination.







OUR AWARD-WINNING EVENT HOSTS
Unlike most convention centers, Grand Wayne Convention Center has a well-earned reputation for remarkable hospitality. Much of that stems from our award-winning event hosts — our famous "Green Jackets" who are available at all times during events to assist planners, exhibitors, and guests with additional information, security, and solutions for any unexpected needs.

KNOWLEDGEABLE, PROFESSIONAL, IN-HOUSE SALES MANAGERS
Here, service is everything. Our sales managers help every event planner make the most of Grand Wayne Convention Center's experience-focused hospitality. Our sales team offers extensive industry knowledge and connections beyond the Center for an ***amazing whole-event experience.***

CREATIVE, DETAIL-ORIENTED EVENT MANAGERS are every planner's dream, linking and mapping each element of an event's logistics, set-up, timing, and special features. Our event managers are the centrifugal force behind our success and Grand Wayne Center's ***extraordinary 80% rebooking rate!***

GWCC's UNIQUE BRAND OF GUEST EXPERIENCE SERVICES provides events with ***complimentary add-on features*** to help planners and guests relax and enjoy the event, our facility, and the downtown amenities just beyond our doors.

IN-HOUSE AUDIO-VISUAL TECHNICIANS and some of the industry's best equipment create better presentations, special effects, and total event ambiance. Our ***free WiFi*** easily handles up to 5,000 users simultaneously!

ON-SITE, 24-HOUR, ENGINEERING STAFF provides up-to-the-minute ***attention to detail*** for every event, including free room set, individual room climate control, and maintenance solutions.

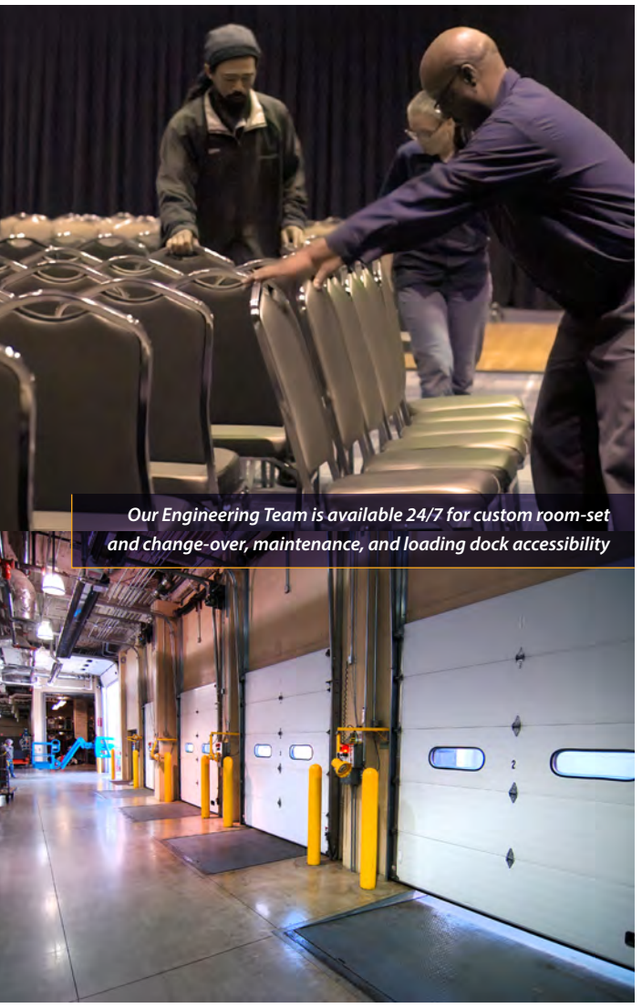
"Staff make all the difference at GWCC. They are professional, helpful, customer-focused, and supportive of the mission and vision of the event." — Pastor Bill Gafkjen | Indiana-Kentucky Synod, ELCA



Grand Wayne Convention Center's meeting and event spaces are divisible, fully carpeted, and individually climate controlled







Our Engineering Team is available 24/7 for custom room-set and change-over, maintenance, and loading dock accessibility





80,000
square feet of luxuriously-appointed, carpeted meeting space, including 18 meeting rooms with deluxe, theater-quality surround sound

4,500
available seats for theater-style meetings with effective, advanced AV and special effects

2,900
classroom style seating with full AV presentation capabilities and breakout options

3,100
banquet seating with full service food and beverage, courtesy of our 12,000 square foot kitchen and trained staff

Host to over
325+
conventions, trade shows, meetings and special events each year

12,000
square foot full-service kitchen, professional chef, and gourmet food and beverages

30,000
square feet of polished, custom terrazzo floors with inlaid patterns to help intuitively connect our beautiful spaces

GRAND SPACES.

225,000
square feet of luxuriously designed, versatile, climate-controlled gathering spaces

30,000
square feet of pre-function space, complimentary with rented spaces

50,000
square-foot Convention & Expo Hall with oversize access for vehicles and larger displays, fully carpeted with in-floor electrical, divisible and independently climate controlled sections with full AV capabilities

12,000
power connections throughout plus free, high-performance WiFi, and full data and communications technology

18
meeting and event spaces with intuitive floor plans for easier traffic flow and planning

405
doors, including 68 outside exits with three primary entrances, 8 easy-access loading docks, and plenty of room to maneuver

AS THE MIDWEST'S PREMIER EVENT FACILITY, WE HAVE SOMETHING TO PROVE. Grand Wayne Convention Center is smartly designed and operated.

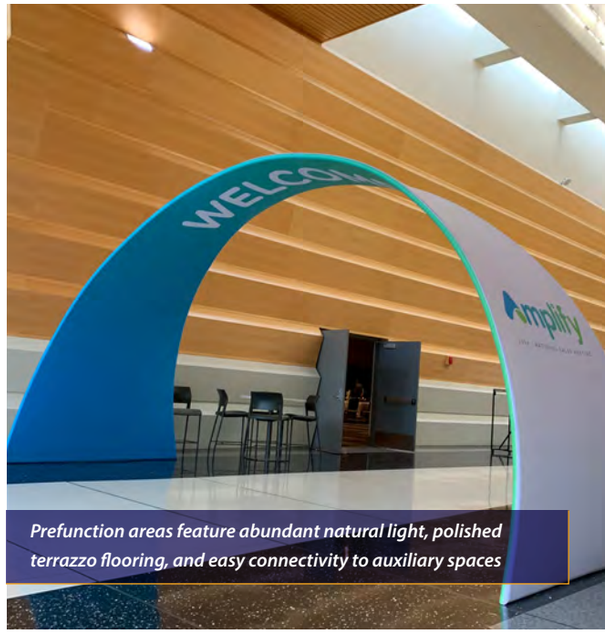
Stylistically, the architecture and appointments are sleek, contemporary, and ideally complementary to any event. Structurally, our spaces promote intuitive traffic flow, total guest comfort, noticeable convenience, and the capacity and capability to support your event.

BY DESIGN, WE OFFER A HIGHER STANDARD OF SERVICES not often found in other event facilities:

- 225,000 sf. of inviting, flexible, creative event spaces with intuitive floor plans for easier, more confident traffic flow.
- Fully carpeted event rooms, including our 50,000 sf. convention & expo hall and 10,000 sf. and 6,000 sf. ballrooms.
- Free high-performance WiFi for up to 5,000 simultaneous users.
- 30,000 sf. of available prefunction space, complimentary with rented spaces.
- Complimentary event planning and management, event hosts, and custom guest experience services.
- Three adjacent, full-service hotels (631 guest rooms) with ample garage parking and skywalk connectivity; nearly 6,000 guestrooms citywide with amenities.
- Two easy-access loading docks with 8 bays for simpler event move-in.
- In-house AV technology for an advanced and enhanced experience.
- In-house catering capable of serving up to 3,100 for single or multiple events.





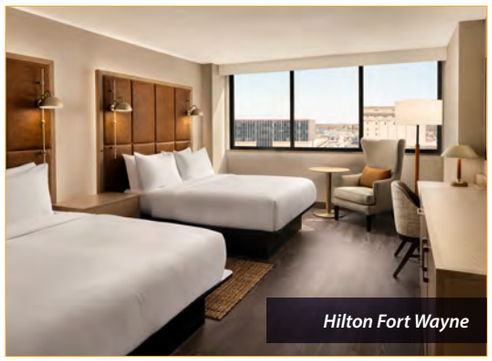


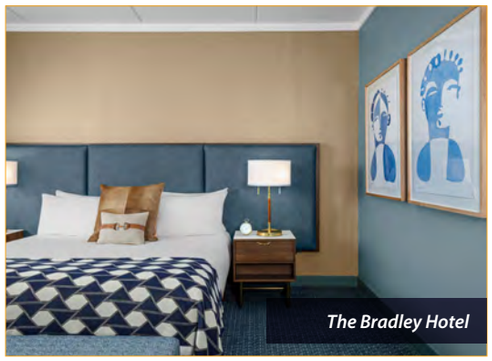
Prefunction areas feature abundant natural light, polished terrazzo flooring, and easy connectivity to auxiliary spaces




Conner's Rooftop Bar, ***Hampton Inn & Suites***


Courtyard by Marriott


Hilton Fort Wayne


The Bradley Hotel

REFRESHING BREAKFASTS TO GOURMET DINNERS FOR 3,100 GUESTS. Grand Wayne Convention Center houses a 12,000 sf. gourmet kitchen, fully equipped and staffed to accommodate any style of dining experience. Our trained, experienced chefs, sous chefs, and service staff are sensitive to specific event needs and individual dietary requirements.

OUR NEIGHBORS WILL HELP YOU ENJOY A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP. With three, full-service hotels adjacent to Grand Wayne Convention Center and a boutique hotel nearby, guests are encouraged to relax and enjoy their stay.

Convenience is key — skybridge connections, attached garage parking, full service bars and restaurants, fitness facilities, and a bustling, walkable downtown that welcomes all to explore and enjoy.

OPEN DOORS. OPEN ARMS. OPEN FOR BUSINESS. Fort Wayne's convention and visitors center — Visit Fort Wayne — is across the street, and any number of auxiliary event venues are within remarkably easy reach. Learn more on the next few pages or online at **grandwayne.com** or **visitfortwayne.com**



"The Grand Wayne Convention Center goes above and beyond every single year we work with them. We're able to present a really professional image as we put on our conference each year. It really makes you feel like you're at home when you're here."

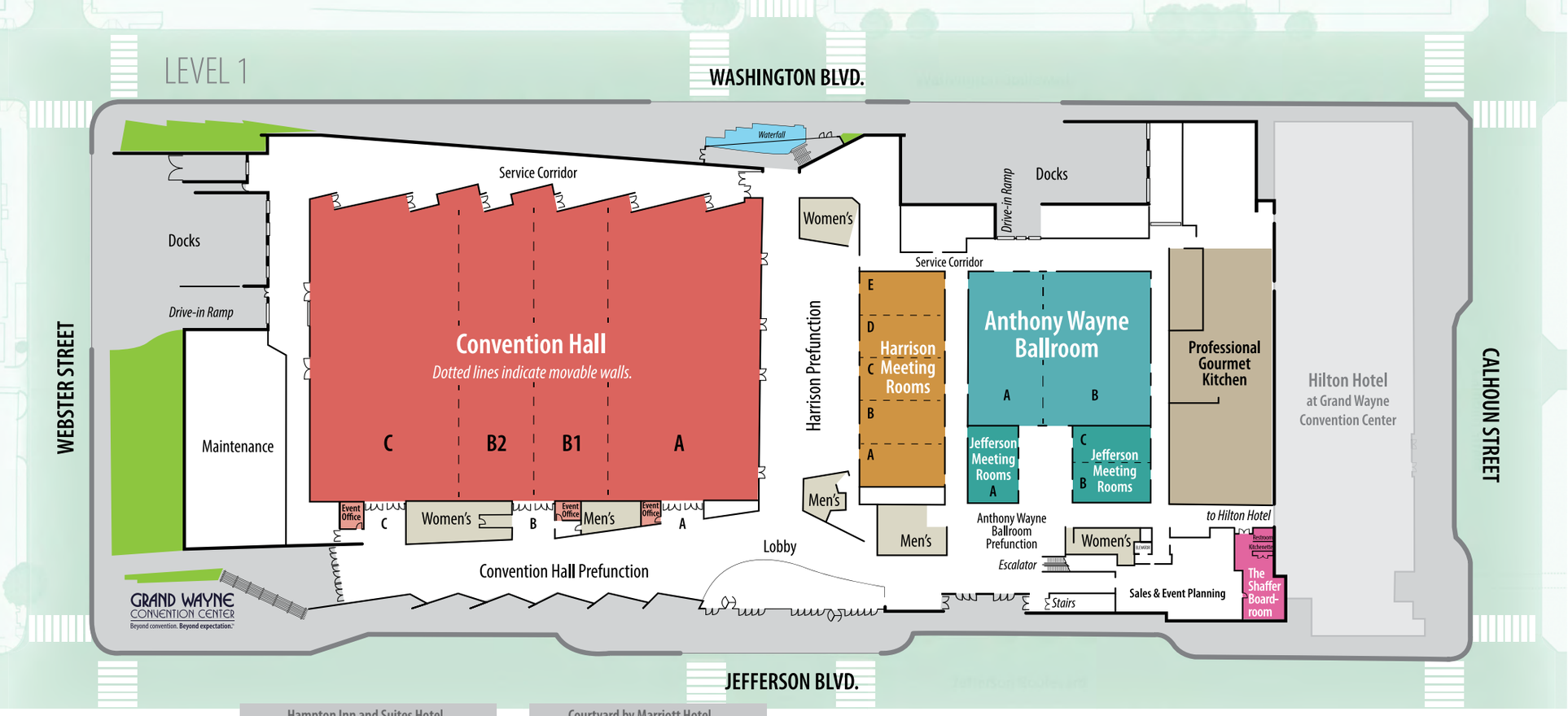
— Lane Velayo
Indiana Music Educators Association

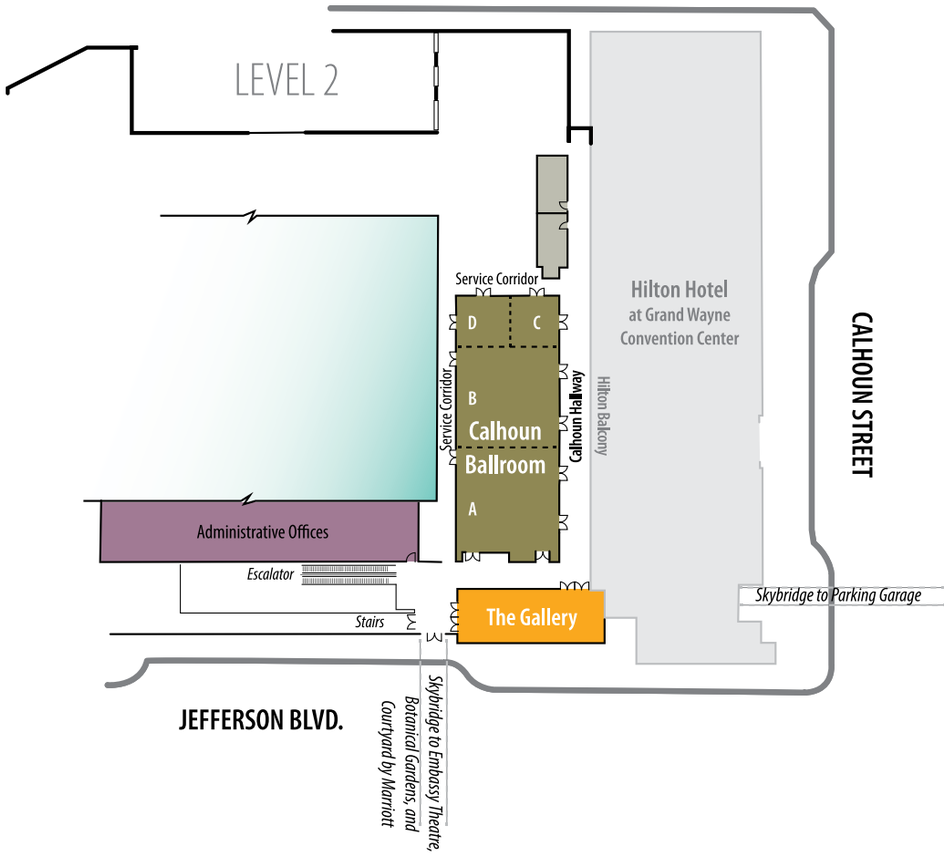
631
attached guest rooms in three full-service, luxury hotels with convenient, safe, covered parking and skywalk connectivity

5,000
free WiFi connections available via optimized wireless networking for reliable, high-quality cyber connectivity

122
restrooms including an 85% increase in ladies stalls for reduced waiting lines and times

5,000+
guest rooms citywide, all within minutes of downtown Fort Wayne and Grand Wayne Convention Center





LEVEL 1 CAPACITIES	S.F.	Banquet	Theatre	Classroom	Booth
The Convention Hall	50,000	3,080	4,500	2,880	264
1/3 Convention Hall	16,000	980	1,344	900	85
1/2 Convention Hall	24,360	1,500	2,184	1,440	120
2/3 Convention Hall	32,300	1,960	2,688	1,980	175
Harrison Rooms 5 sections	6,420	400	660	360	27
1 Section	1,280	80	100	63	0
2 Sections	2,250	160	200	126	8
3 Sections	3,850	240	320	216	16
4 Sections	5,100	320	480	288	20
Anthony Wayne Ballroom	10,000	630	1,152	540	45
Anthony Wayne Ballroom A	4,035	280	384	180	15
Anthony Wayne Ballroom B	5,890	350	672	360	25
Jefferson A	1,260	80	144	63	0
Jefferson B	1,120	70	100	63	0
Jefferson C	1,015	70	100	63	0
Jefferson B and C	2,135	140	200	126	6
The Shaffer	1,123	30	68	30	N/A
Shaffer Conference Room set: 16					

LEVEL 2 CAPACITIES	S.F.	Banquet	Theatre	Classroom	Booth
Calhoun Ballroom	6,000	400	660	360	32
Calhoun A or B	2,400	160	200	126	10
Calhoun C and D	1,200	80	100	63	0
Calhoun C or D	625	40	50	27	0
Calhoun A and B	4,800	320	480	288	24
Calhoun B, C and D	3,600	240	320	216	16
The Gallery	1,680	100	150	90	10

CONVERG Classroom Collaboration Suite accommodates up to 50 in multiple configurations with companion AV Technology in any room.

GRAND PLACES.

DOWNTOWN FORT WAYNE





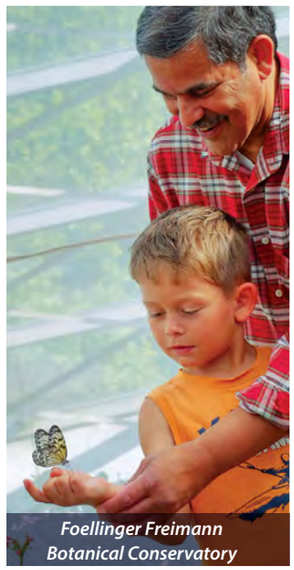
Promenade Park

WELCOME TO DOWNTOWN FORT WAYNE.

If you haven't visited us lately, you're in for a nice surprise. There's more to see and do, and a short walk delivers you to a welcoming variety of sidewalk cafés, eateries, fine dining, and coffee and dessert houses. Nationally acclaimed museums and art galleries, boutique shopping experiences, a vibrant nightlife, live music, stage shows, botanical gardens, sports events, and an internationally recognized library and genealogy center make everything possible here.

An extensive 100+ miles of parks and trails along Fort Wayne's three rivers culminate in the amazing Promenade and Headwaters parks just a few blocks north of Grand Wayne Convention Center. The revitalized Landing Historic District offers comfortable dining, shopping, and social experiences, as well as a close-up of some of Fort Wayne's 150+ public art initiatives. Downtown also thrives with world-class performing arts, an expansion of residential and commercial options, and an open door for businesses, sports, and culture.

Grand Wayne Convention Center offers you and your guests a front-row seat. Across the street is Parkview Field's mixed-use stadium—home to the Fort Wayne TinCaps, Class A Minor League Baseball affiliate of the San Diego Padres; the Historic 1928 Embassy Theatre with its rooftop ballroom; an acclaimed Botanical Conservatory; the nearby Electric Works; and about a million things to see, do, and enjoy for all ages. The excitement is contagious! Join us anytime for a walking tour or visit us online for a virtual tour at your own pace.



Foellinger Freimann Botanical Conservatory

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FORT WAYNE ATTRACTIONS

In Fort Wayne, the "welcome" mat is always out and we always have a friendly "hello" waiting for every guest. Check out some of our suggestions for fun things to do when you're "in the Fort":

EXPLORE FORT WAYNE

- Botanical Conservatory
- Downtown Walking Tour
- Allen County Public Library, home of the nation's second largest Genealogy Center
- Electric Works & Union Street Market
- Science Central
- Fort Wayne History Center
- Extensive network of biking/hiking trails linking many of the City's parks
- Debrand Fine Chocolates
- 60+ restaurants, pubs, and coffee houses within greater downtown

EXPLORE THE ARTS

- Historic Embassy Theatre
- Fort Wayne Museum of Art & Paradigm Gallery
- Auer Center for Arts & Culture
- Fort Wayne Ballet
- Fort Wayne Philharmonic
- Foellinger Outdoor Theater
- Arts United Center and several downtown live performance venues

ENTERTAIN THE FAMILY

- Parkview Field
- Fort Wayne Firefighter Museum
- Science Central
- The Fairfield
- Crazy Pinz
- Fort Wayne Children's Zoo
- Escape Fort Wayne
- Fort Wayne Game Show Experience

Discover more at

Fort Wayne INDIANA

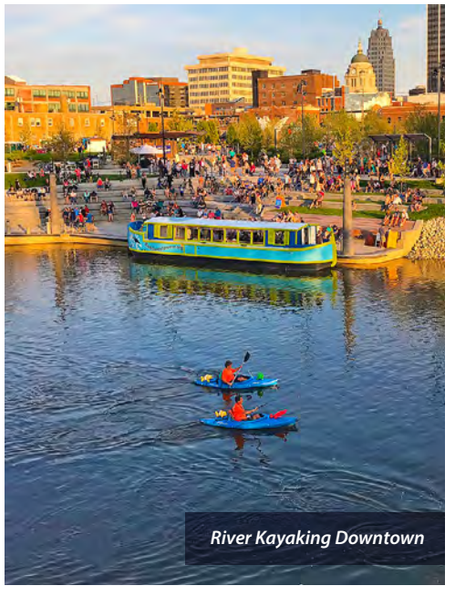
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Fort Wayne TinCaps



Electric Works Union Street Market



River Kayaking Downtown



Historic Embassy Theatre

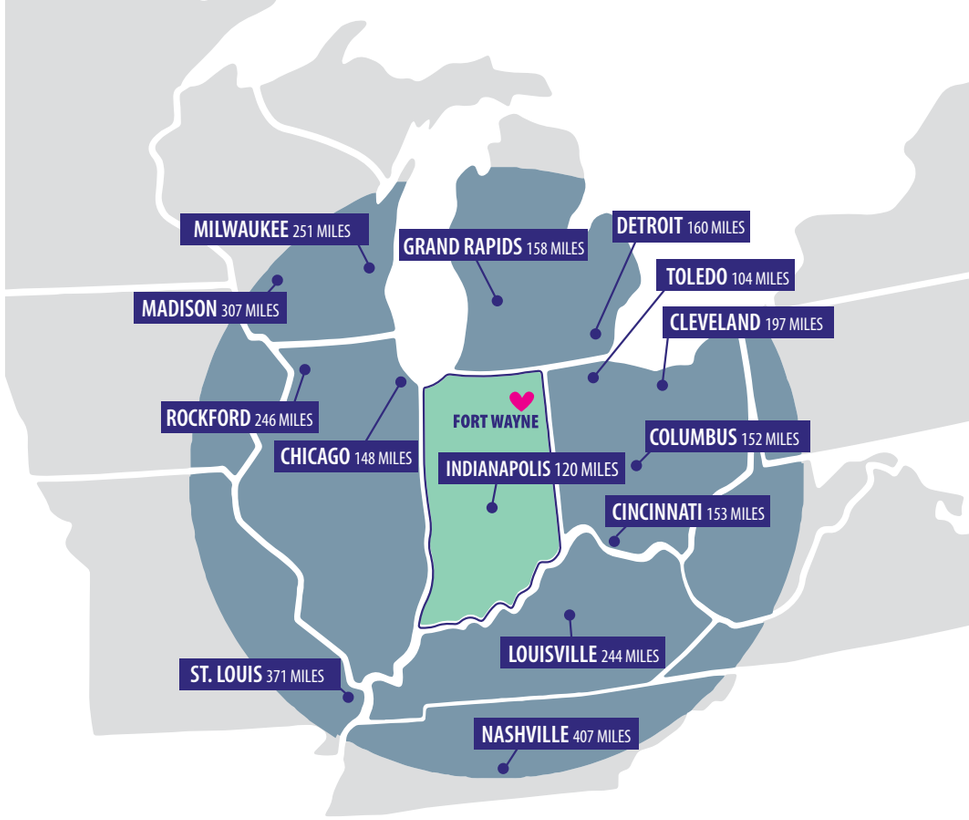
GRAND CONNECTIONS.



2nd
largest city in Indiana — but First in Hoosier hospitality!

15%
savings vs. comparable cities makes Fort Wayne one of the Midwest's most desirable event destinations

1 DAY'S
drive connects Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Grand Wayne Convention Center within 500 miles of half the U.S. population



FORT WAYNE IS INDIANA'S SECOND LARGEST CITY and conveniently located at the interconnected highways and byways that connect northeast Indiana with half of the U.S. population by car easily in one day's drive. As our motto says, Indiana truly is "the crossroads of America"!

Rather fly? Join us by air via **Fort Wayne International Airport (FWA)**. FWA is often noted as "the friendliest airport in America" and is home to four major airline carriers with more than 140 weekly nonstop departures to Atlanta, Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas, Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Las Vegas, Minneapolis, Myrtle Beach, Orlando, Phoenix, Sarasota, Tampa, and other major US cities. The airport is nine miles from downtown Fort Wayne and offers free hotel shuttles, on-site car rental, and reliable taxi options.

EVENT PLANNERS SAVE UP TO 15% IN FORT WAYNE. When compared with other viable cities and event venues, planners and guests experiencing Fort Wayne's hospitality often enjoy ***saving up to 15% in lodging and amenities***. Fort Wayne, Indiana, is frequently identified as one of the most affordable and livable cities in the U.S.

THE PERFECT DRIVE-TO DESTINATION!

ONE DAY'S DRIVE connects Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Grand Wayne Convention Center with half of the U.S. population!





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