

# In case you missed it . . .

## Georgia company relocates to Indianapolis, plans to hire 70 workers

*Predictable business climate, balanced budget, low taxes continue to attract new business*

- Blue Pillar, Inc. announced relocation of corporate headquarters from Georgia to Indianapolis
- Energy asset software and controls company
- Expects to hire 70 new workers by 2015

## Proposal introduced to protect consumers from predatory towing

- Mayor Ballard and Council President Vaughn announced proposed ordinance to protect consumers from predatory towing practices
- Proposal would:
  - Cap towing and storage fees
  - Prohibit kick-backs
  - Cars must be towed directly to lot within Marion County or 10 miles from pick up
  - Require 24/7 access to claim towed vehicles
  - Require towing operators to accept cash or credit cards

## Next \$55 million in RebuildIndy projects announced

*Funds at work throughout Indianapolis to create jobs and revitalize neighborhoods*

- 2011 infrastructure investment in Indianapolis has grown to more than \$140 million
- Highlights of this phase of construction include:
  - Michigan Road Pedestrian Trail
  - Emerson Avenue improvements from I-65 to Shelbyville Road
  - Meridian Street bridge over White River
  - Girls School Road over abandoned railroad
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Street bridge over White River and Riverview Drive
  - Baker Road bridge over Maze Creek
  - HARMONI Neighborhood Streetscape
  - Washington Street and College Avenue under CSX bridge
  - Delaware Street bridge over Buffalo Creek

## Unemployment Rate Falls to Lowest Level Since Early 2009

	April 2010	March 2011	April 2011	Year-to-Year Change
U.S.	9.5%	9.2%	8.7%	-0.8%
Indiana	10.4%	8.8%	8.1%	-2.3%
Indianapolis MSA	9.3%	8.1%	7.6%	-1.7%
Marion County	10.2%	8.9%	8.5%	-1.7%

Non-seasonally adjusted, Indiana Department of Workforce Development

## Next Week:

Watch next week for the Wes Montgomery Spray Park Ribbon Cutting, updates on the Georgia Street project, and information about Indy Parks pool openings.

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