

INDIANA CLEARINGHOUSE for Information on MISSING CHILDREN & MISSING ENDANGERED ADULTS

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November is Youth HOPE Month

November was established as National Runaway Prevention Month in 2001 following a White House conference on exploited and runaway children. Since that time, youth homelessness and runaway issues have evolved significantly and the awareness month has been rebranded as Youth Homelessness Outreach, Prevention, and Education Month, or Youth HOPE Month.

With this more inclusive and comprehensive approach to bringing awareness to the issues, The National Runaway Safeline (1-800-Runaway) incorporates the perspectives of young people with lived experiences as a critical step in shaping effective support and preventions.

To find out more about the resources offered through the National Runaway Safeline, visit <u>1800Runaway.org</u>.

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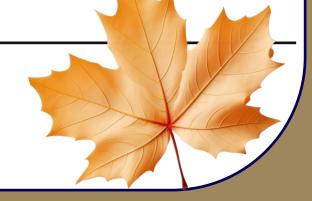
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What is NRS?

For 50 years, the National Runaway Safeline has been responding to youth and families in crisis, serving as the national communications system for runaway and homeless youth. They continually transform technology, training and services to meet the current needs of vulnerable youth and ultimately achieve an end to youth homelessness.

OUR PURPOSE

To provide healthcare and educational communities resources to aide in the recovery of unidentified or missing persons. There are over 1,000 missing persons in Indiana's Law Enforcement database. Together with hospitals, Vital Records, State Department of Health, Family and Social Services, and other agencies, we can greatly reduce the number of missing persons in Indiana.





Anniversary Celebration

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NCMEC celebrates 40 years of hope

In the late 1970s and early 1980s, a series of devastating events – including the abductions of Etan Patz and Adam Walsh and a series of kidnappings and murders in Atlanta, Georgia – shed light on the critical issue of missing children in the United States. All over America, children were disappearing and there was no infrastructure or national resources to assist law enforcement or their families in finding them. Realizing the urgent need to tackle the problem, parents and advocates joined forces and pushed Congress to act. Their hard work paid off in 1984, when President Ronald Reagan officially established the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) to serve as the primary resource for missing children nationwide.

Over the past 40 years, NCMEC has expanded their mission to also include protecting children from exploitation. In 1998, they established the CyberTipline to combat the threat of child sexual exploitation, continuously monitoring and addressing emerging online threats to children.

(Excerpt taken from NCMEC's blog series.)

Learn more about NCMEC's history and success stories here.



Get Involved: CyberTipline

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) <u>CyberTipline</u> is the nation's centralized reporting system for the online exploitation of children. The public and electronic service providers can make reports of suspected online enticement of children for sexual acts, extra-familial child sexual molestation, child pornography, child sex tourism, child sex trafficking, unsolicited obscene materials sent to a child, misleading domain names, and misleading words or digital images on the internet.

NCMEC staff review each tip and work to find a potential location for the incident reported so that it may be made available to the appropriate law-enforcement agency for possible investigation. We also use the information from our CyberTipline reports to help shape our prevention and safety messages.

If you know of a child being sexually exploited online, report it at CyberTipline.org or 1-800-THE-LOST.





Indiana's Active Silver Alerts

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JA'NIYAH MCMICHAEL is a 13-year-old female, 4 feet 3 inches tall, with black hair and brown eyes.

Ja'Niyah is missing from Gary, Indiana which is 151 miles northwest of Indianapolis and was last seen on August 11, 2024.

If you have any information on Ja'Niyah McMichael, contact the Gary Police Department at 219-881-1201 or 911.



ROGER PURCELL is a 50-year -old male, 5 feet 9 inches tall, with black hair and brown eyes.

Roger is missing from West Harrison, Indiana which is 85 miles southeast of Indianapolis and was last seen on June 20, 2024.

If you have any information on Roger Purcell, contact the Franklin County Sheriff's Department at 765-647-4138 or 911.



ELLA SAYLOR is a 15-yearold female, 5 feet 4 inches tall with brown hair and brown eves.

Ella is missing from Muncie, Indiana which is 60 miles northeast of Indianapolis and was last seen on February 3, 2024.

If you have information on Ella Saylor, contact the Muncie Police Department at 765-747-4838 or 911.



NATHANIEL WOODS is a 28-year-old male, 5 feet 7 inches tall with black hair and brown eyes.

Nathaniel is missing from Milltown, Indiana which is 120 miles south of Indianapolis and was last seen on December 4, 2021.

If you have information, contact the Crawford County Sheriff's Department at 812-338-3616 or 911.

Silver Alert Criteria

For a Silver Alert request to be taken into consideration, the following criteria must be met. For complete information on all eligible Indiana Alert Requests visit the Indiana Clearinghouse website.

- 1. The person must be a Missing Endangered Adult (I.C. 12-7-2-131.3), a Missing Endangered Child (I.C. 10-13-5-4.4), a High Risk Missing Person (I.C. 5-2-17-1), or have a mental impairment validated through a credible medical authority (Physician, Physician's Assistant, or Nurse Practitioner).
- 2. There must be enough descriptive information to believe the broadcast will help.
- 3. Request must be recommended by the law enforcement agency of jurisdiction.
- 4. Enter the person into IDACS/NCIC with message key EME.

*No age restriction for Silver Alerts





MISSING CHILD

Posters

For more Indiana Missing Persons posters, go to missingkids.org.

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Kram San Be

NCIC# M588013373



Missing Since: July 18, 2024



Fort Wayne, IN



Age Now: 15 Years Old



Female



Report Sighting CALL 911 or 1-800-THE-LOST

Fort Wayne Police Department (Indiana) 1-260-427-1222





Bradley Werner

NCIC# M477991119



Missing Since: July 26, 2024



Indianapolis, IN



Age Now: 15 Years Old



Male



Report Sighting CALL 911 or 1-800-THE-LOST

Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (Indiana) 1-317-327-3811

Missing Persons Bulletin

Information for the Children above is accurate from the time of publication. Please check the Missing Persons Bulletin for up to date listings of Indiana Missing Persons. https://www.in.gov/isp/3187.htm

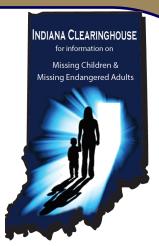
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Address: 100 N. Senate Ave. N340 Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: 800-831-8953

Email: missingchildren@isp.in.gov Website: www.in.gov/isp/2333.htm



Helpful Resources / Links

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Indiana State Police

in.gov/isp/3187.htm

The Missing Person Bulletin is a valuable resource available for you to check and confirm if a person is identified as missing in the State of Indiana. The bulletin is updated daily Monday through Friday with information from the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the Indiana Data and Communication System (IDACS). Always check the date at the bottom of the page to confirm when the bulletin was last updated. If there is any doubt, feel free to call the Clearinghouse at 800-831-8953.

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC)

1-800-843-5678 or missingkids.org

The mission of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children is to help find missing children, reduce child sexual exploitation, and prevent child victimization. They operate a 24/7 national hotline (1-800-THE-LOST) for tips and reports related to missing and sexually exploited children, create and distribute missing child posters, redistribute AMBER Alerts, operate the CyberTipline for child sexual exploitation, help locate victims of child sex trafficking, assist law enforcement with tracking non-compliant sex offenders, provide crisis intervention and counseling referrals, and ensure that victims of child sex trafficking have access to the recovery services and support they need.

National Runaway Safeline

1-800-RUNAWAY or 1800runaway.org

The mission of the National Runaway Safeline is to help keep America's runaway, homeless, and at-risk youth safe and off the streets. The 1-800-RUNAWAY hotline and 1800RUNAWAY.org online crises services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year throughout the United States and its territories, including Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam.

National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs)

1-855-626-7600 or <u>namus.gov</u>

NamUs is a national information clearinghouse and resource center for missing, unidentified, and unclaimed person cases across the United States. Funded and administered by the National Institute of Justice and managed through a cooperative agreement with the UNT Health Science Center in Fort Worth, Texas, all NamUs resources are provided at no cost to law enforcement, medical examiners, coroners, allied forensic professionals, and family members of missing persons.

Who we are



The Indiana General Assembly established the Indiana Clearinghouse for Information on Missing Children and Missing Endangered Adults in 2009. The Clearinghouse is intended to serve as the state central repository for all information on missing children and missing endangered adults from Indiana or believed to be in Indiana. The program is designed to collect, store, and disseminate information on missing children and missing and endangered adults. The Clearinghouse provides liaison among citizens, private organizations, and law enforcement agencies regarding missing children information.