



Leadership at Work...

Mayor Greg Ballard's Accomplishment Highlights

Bringing Sound Financial Management Back to City Government

- ✓ Honestly balanced the city budget each of the last three years
- ✓ Protected taxpayers and forced government to live within its means
- ✓ Led the charge for property tax caps on the municipal level, and now... the average homeowner is paying **one-third** less in property taxes than in 2007
- ✓ Provided income tax relief and reduced income taxes by nearly **\$7 million**
- ✓ Boosted the City's bond rating to AAA which allows for significant financial savings

Creating an Environment for Economic Growth – Protecting and Recruiting Thousands of Jobs

- ✓ Retained and attracted commitments for **over 35,000 jobs** for Indianapolis, in a tough national economy
- ✓ Significantly increased opportunities for minority, women, and veteran owned businesses
- ✓ Newsweek listed Indianapolis as one of the top 10 cities in America best poised for economic recovery
- ✓ CNBC named Indianapolis as one of the 10 best cities to relocate to

Improving Public Safety, Reducing Crime Rates, and Reforming IMPD

- ✓ Took responsibility for public safety; reforming IMPD training, policies, and procedures
- ✓ Violent crime is down; total crime is down year over year
- ✓ Dropped number of homicides in 2009 to the lowest level since 1995

Upgrading Infrastructure Across the County

- ✓ Launched RebuildIndy to invest **\$425M** in unprecedented street, sidewalk, and other infrastructure improvements - while transferring utilities to local, trusted, publicly-owned Citizens Energy Group
- ✓ Re-engineered the consent decree to **save taxpayers \$740M** while fixing our sewer system; Indianapolis was the first of more than 700 cities to renegotiate our agreement with the EPA and save money while improving the environment, becoming a model for cities across the nation

Reforming Government

- ✓ Instituted ethics reforms and made government more open, honest, and accountable
- ✓ Eliminated a 200-case backlog of discrimination claims and drastically reduced processing times
- ✓ Initiated the Mayor's Night Out, for the Mayor and department heads to better engage neighborhoods
- ✓ Consolidated township fire departments to provide more efficient and cost-effective services

Making Indianapolis a Better Place to Live

- ✓ Expanded Charter Schools and educational opportunities for children
- ✓ Building an environmentally-sound New Wishard Hospital to provide better health care for those in need, while also creating thousands of much-needed building trades jobs in the process
- ✓ Upgraded city pools and parks; expanded walk and bike trails, and other cultural amenities
- ✓ Created SustainIndy - providing incentives for green construction; planting urban gardens
- ✓ Revamped the Mayor's Action Center so citizens can call or go online, make a report and get results
- ✓ Secured and preparing for the spotlight on Indianapolis as we host Super Bowl XLVI in 2012!