

Northwest passage

The northwest corner of Indianapolis is rich with work, shopping and living options.



Neighborhood View

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Residents of northwestern Marion County and southern Boone County enjoy their proximity to Eagle Creek Park, Indianapolis International Airport and high-tech industrial parks such as Park 100 and

INTECH Park. Transportation links connect home with work, recreation areas and shopping corridors on West 86th Street, Michigan Road and Zionsville's Main Street. Connecting with I-465 and Michigan Road, two of the major transportation routes on the northwest side of town, I-65 makes travel to and from work and home fast and easy.

Zionsville, in the rapidly growing southeastern portion of Boone County, is a well-heeled village of shops and restaurants along a brick-paved main street. The Lions Club sponsors a friendly Fourth of July celebration at Lions Park, and the Chamber of Commerce hosts a weekly farmers' market on Main Street on summer Saturdays (www.zionsville.net). Check out the SullivanMunce Cultural Center (www.sullivanmunce.org) for special events and programs.



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Quaint shops and restaurants line Main Street in the village of Zionsville.

Conveniently located shopping centers include the new Traders Point Shopping Center, near I-65 and West 86th Street, as well as a cluster of retail stores and dining at INTECH Park on West 71st Street.

Fresh foods are available at Traders Point Creamery (www.tpfororganics.com) on Moore Road in Zionsville, which hosts an organic farmers' market and dinner on Friday evenings in the summer. There's also Trader Joe's Market (www.traderjoes.com) in the Willow Lake West Shopping Center, which sells fresh produce and gourmet frozen food.

Apartment complexes in northwestern Indianapolis are often built around lakes, such as Hampshire

Court, where one- and two-bedroom apartments with patios and balconies have views of the lake, waterfalls and wooded areas (www.sextonproperties.com). The Courts at Kensington Luxury Residences (www.mckinley.com) offers one-bedroom apartment homes and one-, two- and three-bedroom townhomes in which pets of all sizes are welcome. At the Woods of Eagle Creek, west of Georgetown Road near 59th Street, pets can romp in the bark park while their owners enjoy apartments and townhomes with wood-burning fireplaces on a beautiful wooded lot with two swimming pools (www.genebglick.com). ■

Vital stats: Northwest Indianapolis

Transportation: Located north of 38th Street around I-65, from I-74 on the west to Michigan Road on the east, into southeastern Boone County

Pets: Many communities allow pets, even large dogs.

Rent: From \$399 for a one-bedroom apartment to \$1,120 for a three-bedroom, two-bath apartment

Shopping: Along West 86th Street and Michigan Road in Indianapolis; on Main Street in Zionsville

Amenities: Communities feature swimming pools, tennis courts, laundry facilities and picnic areas with barbecue grills. Some apartments have fireplaces, washer-dryer hookups and high-speed Internet access.