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## **Elkhart Environmental Center Celebrates 25 Years With New Master Plan**

September 15, 2016 – Elkhart, Indiana – After 25 years, the Elkhart Environmental Center is celebrating its landmark anniversary with its first master plan. The EEC has long served as an environmental education resource for Elkhart and this plan is aimed to reinforce that role while establishing a long term vision for the center.

A public planning meeting is scheduled as part of that process, both to share progress and gather more feedback. As part of that, the City and Environmental Center are seeking valued input from neighbors and residents. Together, we can develop a sustainable vision for this important reclaimed site and education center in the community. Please join us by lending your voice to this important process.

**Where:** The Elkhart Environmental Center - 1717 E Lusher Avenue, Elkhart, IN. 46516

**When:** Thursday, September 15, 2016 at 5:30pm EST

### **The Environmental Center**

Between 1959 and 1972, the area that became the environmental center was operated as the Lusher Avenue city dump. To implement early remediation ideas, the City of Elkhart formed partnerships with the University of Notre Dame and Elkhart Community Schools. In 1991, the Martin Foundation, a charitable division of NIBCO, generously donated funds for the construction of a log cabin education center. Later that year, the Center was officially dedicated to the people of Elkhart. With the education facility, beautiful hiking trails, and habitat reconstruction, the Elkhart Environmental Center has established itself as a resource for community environmental education.

For more information visit on the Elkhart Environmental Center, visit [www.elkhartindiana.org](http://www.elkhartindiana.org) or find us on Facebook at: [facebook.com/ElkhartEnvironmentalCenter](https://www.facebook.com/ElkhartEnvironmentalCenter).

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