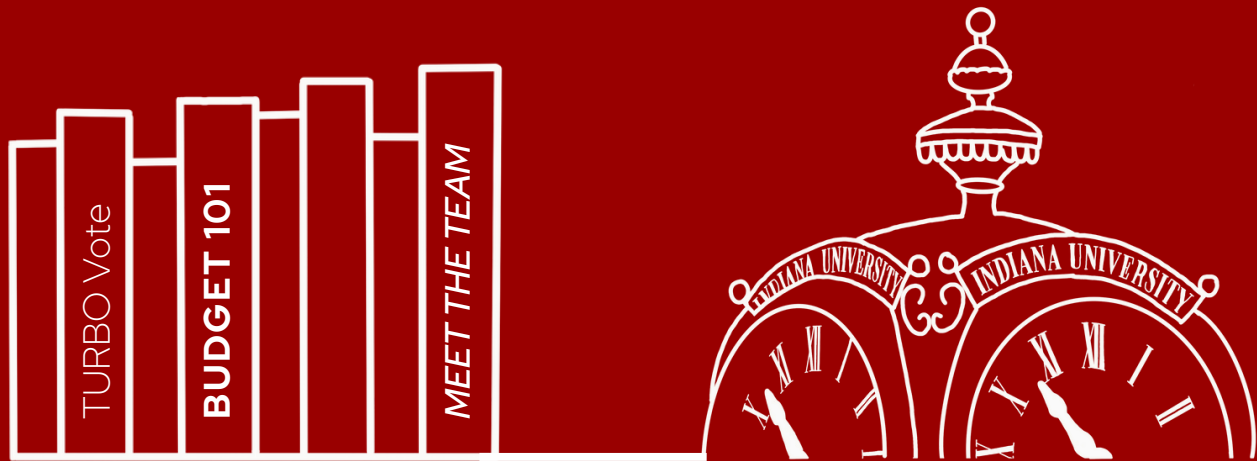




# *The Informed Student*

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## *Stay Informed and Keep Current*

Hello Hoosiers!

We hope that you have all enjoyed your summer so far and are ready for another edition of the monthly Indiana University Student Government Newsletter, *The Informed Student*! We are dedicated to keeping you connected and informed with everything you need to know about IUSG, right at your fingertips. On the last day of every month, you can dive into detailed updates on our initiatives, discover our upcoming events, learn how to access essential campus resources, and so much more! In this edition, meet more of the IUSG team, explore the newly passed budget by Congress, learn how to register to vote, and more!

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# Survey on Proposed Expressive Activity Policy

The following email was sent to all IU Bloomington students on June 23, 2024.

Dear Fellow Hoosiers,

I hope this message finds you well. I write to you today to request your participation in an important survey regarding the proposed Expressive Activity Policy at Indiana University.

The university is considering a new policy to govern freedom of expression across all IU campuses. To shape a policy that truly reflects the diverse perspectives and values of our community, we need your input. The survey is anonymous, and all responses will be reported thematically and in aggregate to ensure your privacy.

Before you begin, please review the proposed policy, which you can find in the survey. For the best experience, we recommend completing the survey on a computer or tablet.

**The survey will close on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 11:59 PM. Your voice matters, and your participation will play a vital role in shaping the future of our university. IU Student Government will ensure your input is heard.**

Thank you for your time and contribution.

Sincerely,

Cooper Tinsley

Student Body President

Indiana University Student Government



Press the QR code to take the survey. Only IU Bloomington students should take the survey.

## Introducing IUSG's Executive Branch

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**Deeta Ganapathy**, Undersecretary of the DEI Fund



Introducing IUSG's

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**Elizabeth Conley**, Recorder

**Maddi Sponsel**, Press Secretary

**Drew Yeager**, Parliamentarian

**John Lane**, Chair of Oversight & Finance

**Violet Landrum**, Chair of Student Life

**Emma Grim**, Chair of Equity & Justice

**Leo Cavinder**, Chair of Student Rights & Concerns

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**Sophia Hottois**, Associate Justice

**Cashmere Booker**, Associate Justice

**Michael Isherwood**, Associate Justice

**Mahri Romano**, Clerk



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Did someone say 2024-2025

# Budget?

Regular Session of the 2024 IU Student Body Congress

## CONGRESS ENROLLED ACT No. 1011

*Be it enacted by the students of Indiana University in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known as the "Fiscal Year 2024 IUSG Budget Act".

SECTION 2. [Effective July 1, 2024]

(a) The following definitions apply for this act:

1. "Summer" means the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2024.
2. "Fall" means the fiscal period beginning September 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024.
3. "Winter" means the fiscal period beginning January 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2025.

(b) All money appropriated by this Act is subject to expenditure for such purposes, at such time, and in such manner as may be provided for in this Act, in the IUSG Bylaws, or in other statutes.

(c) All money appropriated by this Act is subject to such purchasing practices as the University may mandate for the IUSG financial account or accounts from which the money is appropriated.

SECTION 3. [Effective July 1, 2024]

(a) For the conduct of student government, its branches, offices, funds, departments, services, initiatives, and undertakings, the following sums in SECTION 4 are appropriated for the designated periods of time from the student fee fund of Indiana University Student Government or other specifically designated funds.

(b) For each fiscal period, the appropriation is effective at the beginning of the fiscal period. Unless otherwise specified, any amounts remaining unexpended from fall appropriations at the end of that fiscal period shall roll over and remain available for expense or encumbrance until the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

(c) In this Act, unless otherwise specified, the appropriation is from the student fee fund.



Press the QR code to view  
IUSG's full operating  
budget passed by  
Congress on June 16, 2024

In collaboration with the Executive Branch, Congress determines how IUSG funds are allocated. IUSG has a six-figure annual revenue sourced from a portion of the mandatory Student Activity Fee that all students pay to IU each semester. Each spring, Congress passes a Budget Act, which sets the funding levels for all IUSG operations, future programming/projects, and student services for the upcoming year. This includes allocations to all cultural centers and essential programs like Crimson Cupboard, Laptop Loner, Emergency Contraceptives, Safer Sex Express, and EZPZ STI-testing.

Exciting projects from the FUSE Administration

# *Coming soon...*



## *Crimson Closet*

The Crimson Closet will house professional clothing that students can borrow at no cost for interviews, career fairs, presentations, and more. The Crimson Closet aims to ensure that all students have the opportunity to present themselves confidently and professionally, regardless of their financial situation.



## *Makerspace*

The Makerspace will provide students with access to a variety of equipment, including a 3D printer, laser engraver, button maker, sewing machine, and more. This space will empower student leaders to create essential materials for their organizations, supporting their creativity and project development.



## *Textbook & Test Prep Library*

The Textbook and Test Prep Library will provide a variety of class textbooks and test preparation books, including those for the LSAT and MCAT, available for students to borrow. By offering these resources at no cost, the library aims to support students in their academic pursuits without financial burdens.



Passed in Congress *June 2024*

Regular Session of the 2024 IU Student Body Congress

## **CONGRESS ENROLLED ACT No. 1005**

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*Be it enacted by the students of Indiana University in Congress assembled:*

On May 23, 2024, Congress passed Bill No. 1009, authored by Representative Elizabeth Conley, which allocates \$2,000 to renew IUSG's subscription with **TurboVote**, a service that assists IU students with voter registration and engagement.

In each newsletter, we will highlight student-focused Congress bills that have passed during the month. However, you can access IUSG records and full versions of all Congress bills at any time on our website [iustudentgovernment.indiana.edu](https://iustudentgovernment.indiana.edu)

Have you registered to vote yet?

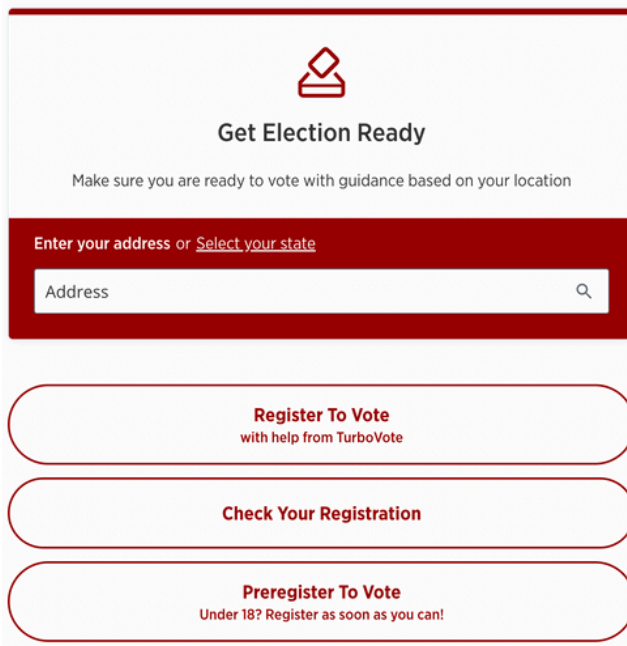
# Use Turbo Vote!

We help you vote, no matter what.

Click [here](#) for a free Uber ride to vote and a ride back home. (For Monroe County residents only.)

**Not affiliated with IU?** You do not have to be an Indiana University student or employee to use this site. It is accessible to voters in all 50 states plus D.C.

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Press the QR code to register to vote using IU Turbo Vote!

In collaboration with the Political and Civic Engagement (PACE) program and the Student Involvement and Leadership Center IUSG helps fund Turbo Vote to support voter registration and engagement.

1. **Information on Voting:** TurboVote offers detailed information on what students need to bring to the polls, where their polling place is, and what to expect on election day.
2. **Election Reminders:** Students can sign up for reminders about upcoming elections, including deadlines for registration, absentee ballots, and election days.
3. **Absentee Ballots:** For students who are studying out-of-state or away from their permanent residence, TurboVote provides information and support for voting by mail, voting early, and requesting absentee ballots.

**Registering to vote is the first step in ensuring your voice is heard in shaping the policies and leaders that impact your community and future!**



# APPLY TO CONGRESS

Any interested student who is a constituent of a vacant district is encouraged to apply! The following Congressional districts currently have one or more vacancies:

- Graduate & Professional Education (All non-undergrad degree programs)
- Jacobs School of Music
- Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering
- Schools of Nursing, Public Health, & Social Work (Undergrad)
- University Division (Undergrad)
- School of Education
- Off-Campus Housing
- On-Campus Apartment Housing
- Greek Housing



Press the QR code to apply and find more information. Successful applicants will be expected to commit about 3-5 hours per week to the role, including a required weekly meeting on Monday nights in the IMU and another weekly meeting, depending on their committee assignment.





# PRIDE MONTH

Pride Month commemorates the 1969 Stonewall Riots, sparked by a police raid on the Stonewall Inn, a gay club in New York City. These protests against police harassment and social discrimination galvanized the civil rights movement for LGBTQIA+ equality. The following year, America's first gay pride parade marked the anniversary of this pivotal event. Originally celebrated on the last Sunday in June as 'Gay Pride Day,' it soon expanded to a month-long series of events attracting millions of people worldwide. Additionally, memorials are held for members of the community who have lost their lives to hate crimes or HIV/AIDS. Pride Month honors and celebrates a movement that has grown stronger, more vibrant, and more inclusive with every passing year. It also serves as a reminder that there is still work to be done to ensure everyone can enjoy the right to live openly and authentically. The FUSE administration stands in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community and is dedicated to combating challenges such as anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation, violence, mental health issues, healthcare disparities, and social exclusion. We are committed to advocating and working towards enhancing representation and support services for the LGBTQIA+ community.



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# IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

Since June 2014, Immigrant Heritage Month has celebrated the shared diversity that forms America's unique story and aims to raise awareness of how immigration is a cornerstone of our nation's identity. It is also a time to reflect on the challenges immigrants face and reaffirm our commitment to advocating for policies and practices that support and protect their rights and well-being. The FUSE administration recognizes the resilience immigrants show in the face of adversity, and we stand in solidarity with those striving for a better future for themselves and their families. The stories of our immigrant students, faculty, and staff are integral to the fabric of Indiana University. Our student body is a mosaic of cultures, languages, and traditions, each contributing unique perspectives that enrich our academic and social experiences.



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# CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Since June 2006, Caribbean American Heritage Month has celebrated the rich culture, achievements, and sacrifices of Caribbean Americans and their contributions to the United States. There is no single Caribbean American identity. The mix of cultures, languages, and religions across many countries reflects the diversity of spirit that has greatly enriched our nation in every field and profession. Despite their vital role, Caribbean Americans continue to face barriers, prejudice, and discrimination. This month is also a reminder when promoting inclusivity, we can start by learning about Caribbean American history and understanding how our cultural, legal, and social systems both include and exclude Caribbean individuals and communities. Embracing unity and diversity while taking action through individual and systemic work is one of the many ways we can honor and appreciate the invaluable contributions of Caribbean Americans in the United States.



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# EID AL-ADHA

In Islam, there are two key Eid celebrations: Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha. Eid-al-Fitr marks the end of the Holy Month of Ramadan, while Eid-al-Adha, the greater Eid, follows the completion of the annual Hajj pilgrimage and the practice of Qurbani (sacrifice). Eid-al-Adha commemorates Prophet Ibrahim's profound devotion and submission to Allah. According to the story, Allah instructed Ibrahim to sacrifice his beloved son as a test of his faith. Despite the immense challenge, Ibrahim prepared to fulfill Allah's command. However, Allah, impressed by Ibrahim's unwavering devotion, provided a ram to sacrifice instead. This is why Eid-al-Adha is also known as the "Festival of Sacrifice." Eid-al-Adha celebrations can last two to four days, depending on the country. The act of Qurbani (sacrifice) is performed after the Eid Salaah (Eid Prayers), which are held in congregation at a mosque on the morning of Eid. The day is traditionally spent celebrating with family, friends, and loved ones, often wearing new or finest attire and exchanging gifts. The FUSE administration wishes a Happy Eid-al-Adha to all who celebrate.



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# SHAVUOT

In Judaism, God mandated three pilgrimage feasts for the Jewish people: Passover, Shavuot, and Sukkot. Originally, Shavuot was an agricultural festival celebrating the end of the barley harvest and the beginning of the wheat harvest in Israel. Over time, Shavuot also came to commemorate a pivotal event in Jewish history: the receiving of the Torah, the ancient text of history, laws, and values that have shaped Jewish ethics and peoplehood. According to the Torah, it took seven weeks for the Israelites to travel from Egypt to Mount Sinai. The name Shavuot, meaning Festival of Weeks, refers to this seven-week period, during which each day is counted in a practice known as the Counting of the Omer. Passover marks the liberation of the Israelites from bondage in Egypt, while Shavuot celebrates their receiving of the Torah. During the night of Shavuot, Tikkun Leil Shavuot is a traditional practice involving an all-night study session of the Torah. This custom reflects deep devotion to the Torah and compensates for the Israelites' delay in arriving at Mount Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments. The FUSE administration wishes a Happy Shavuot to all who celebrate.



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# JUNETEENTH

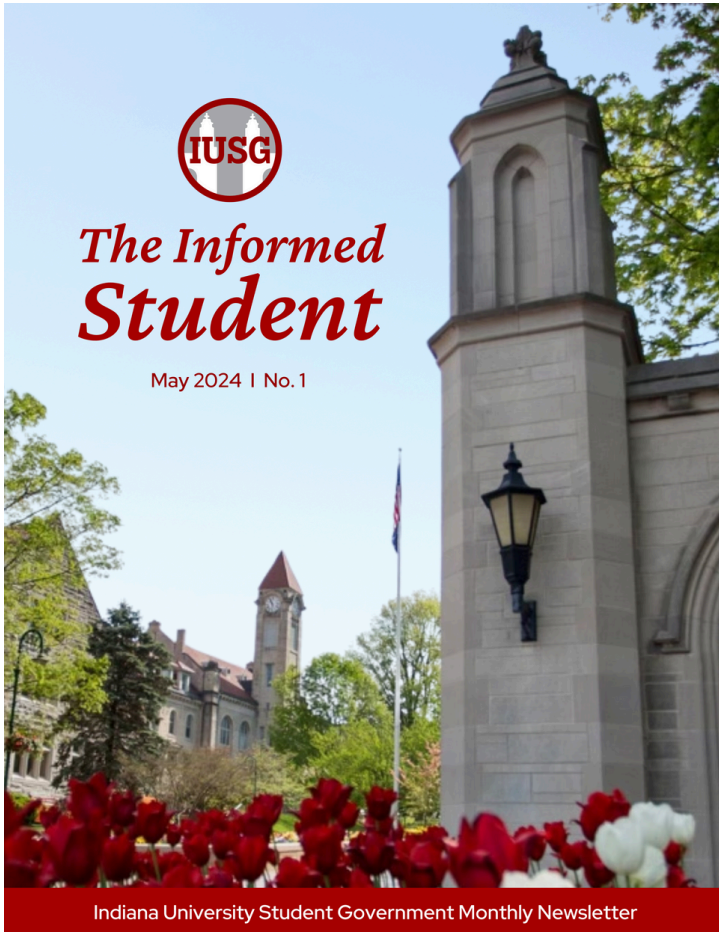
Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, commemorates the end of slavery in the United States. On June 19, 1865—months after the Civil War ended and more than two years after President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation—Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas, to liberate 250,000 enslaved people who were still being held in bondage. Today, Juneteenth honors the legacy and resilience of those who fought for freedom, aids in preserving historical narratives that promote racial and personal advancement, and celebrates African Americans' rich cultural heritage, contributions, and achievements. Today, we also honor the generations of activists who fought for the recognition of Juneteenth, which officially became a federal holiday on June 17, 2021. Juneteenth also serves as a time for reflection on the ongoing struggles for racial equality and justice. Despite the progress made, the fight against systemic racism and inequality continues, and it is our collective responsibility to work towards a more just and inclusive society. The FUSE administration wishes everyone a Happy Juneteenth.



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# IU FUN FACTS

**JUNE  
EDITION**

- In June 1969, the Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction published a landmark study that revolutionized the understanding of human sexuality.
- In June 1974, IU established the African American Arts Institute, dedicated to celebrating and promoting African American culture through the arts.
- In June 1960, IU's Lilly Library, a treasure trove of rare books and manuscripts, officially opened its doors.
- In June 1950, the Indiana University Student Foundation (IUSF) was founded. Known for organizing the Little 500, IUSF raises funds for student scholarships and empowers students to make an impact through their Students Helping Students campaign.
- Former IU president Herman B Wells, a pivotal figure in the university's history, was born on June 7, 1902.





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