

RIVERSIDE PARK EVENTS TO BE ENHANCED BY PAVILION

\$100,000 structure a partnership between State grant and community investment

Rushville, Ind. – April 1, 2016 – Concert goers and those attending other recreational events in Riverside Park will enjoy a new permanent pavilion this summer, thanks to a \$40,000 Place Based Investment Fund (PBIF) grant Rushville was awarded through the Indiana Office of Tourism and the Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

According to Mayor Mike Pavey, Riverside Park is recognized as a significant destination as a result of the Primacy of Place Award the City received a few years ago from Ball State University.

“A big part of the excitement around our main City park is our recreational program development we have in the works, including an 18-hole Frisbee golf course. Our summer concert series has grown every year with the park a perfect venue for entertainment. The construction of the pavilion this spring will further add to the appeal of what we offer to both residents and visitors,” Pavey said.

The \$100,000 project is made up of a \$40,000 PBIF grant with the remaining \$60,000 coming from local matching funds from partners in the project: the City, Heart of Rushville, Rush County Community Foundation and the Riverside Park Organizing Committee.

The pavilion will be located just east of center stage behind the slab that located the event tent, with the pavilion replacing the tent.

Rushville was one of 11 communities in Indiana to receive PBIF grant funding in a very competitive program.

“We had to make the case that this project was fundable with a well thought out plan and program to be associated with the project,” Pavey explained.

PBIF grants ranged from \$25,000 - \$50,000 to fund parks, public venues and other quality of place projects.

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