



## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Indiana Youth Group (YIG) Announces Kickoff of Phase Two of its Capital Campaign**

IYG is launching phase two of its Capital Campaign, which comes on the heels of a successful Phase One. It's been a challenging undertaking that the IYG board, staff and supporters have met head on. Phase one funded the purchase and renovation of a new building at 3733 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis to allow for an expansion of programming and services for Indiana's LGBTQ youth. The building renovation is expected to be complete in late December of this year.

"2017 is IYG's 30th anniversary. So it's important to us that our youth are in the building this year. We're excited to achieve this Phase One goal and look forward to a successful Phase Two also." commented Chris Paulsen, IYG's Executive Director.

As part of phase two, Salesforce has committed to making a contribution to Indiana Youth Group, which will enable IYG to open a "Salesforce Technology & Education Lab" in their new building. The new lab will become a space where IYG's staff can tutor youth and help them achieve their High School Equivalency Diploma, complete college applications and apply for student aid. In the future, IYG hopes to expand the program to teach LGBTQ youth programming and tech skills.

Now that the building is a reality, phase two of the Capital Campaign begins. Indiana Youth Group seeks to raise \$500,000 to cover expanded staffing as well as funding for programs including suicide prevention, arts and humanities, and healthy relationship programming.

To contribute to IYG's Capital Campaign, visit their website at [indianayouthgroup.org](http://indianayouthgroup.org).

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