



# PRESS RELEASE

## GEORGETOWN ROAD AND 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET CLOSED TO VEHICLES DURING THIS YEAR'S RUNNING OF THE INDIANAPOLIS 500

As in years past, local and state law enforcement agencies will be closing Georgetown Road and 16<sup>th</sup> Street to all vehicular traffic during this year's running of the Indianapolis 500, on Sunday, May 26, 2024.

In an effort to increase the safety and security of race patrons, Georgetown Road will be closed south of 25<sup>th</sup> Street beginning at 5:00 A.M. race morning to all vehicular traffic. After Georgetown Road is closed, no vehicular traffic, including placarded traffic, will be allowed to access the roadway. Those race patrons with placards who are accustomed to entering IMS Gate 7 will have to enter through Gate 2 (16<sup>th</sup> Street) or Gate 10 (30<sup>th</sup> Street). Local residents in this area of Georgetown Road are encouraged to make provisions for this temporary traffic restriction as vehicles will not be permitted to access Georgetown Road from McCray Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Street, and all other access points in this area. Upon completion of the race, Georgetown Road will remain closed to vehicular traffic until the majority of race pedestrian foot traffic clears from the roadway (approximately 1 hour after the race).

16<sup>th</sup> Street will also be closed during the running of this year's Indianapolis 500 between Olin Avenue on the east to the 16<sup>th</sup> Street roundabout on the west from approximately 12:00 P.M. until the end of the race. In addition, 16<sup>th</sup> Street will not be accessible from Polco Street, as it will be blocked at 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

Traffic traveling east on Crawfordsville Road from the west will be turned around at the 16<sup>th</sup> Street roundabout. Traffic traveling west on 16<sup>th</sup> Street from downtown will be diverted south on Olin Avenue.

These road closures and additional security measures are being established to ensure the safety of our residents, businesses, and visitors during and after the race. The Speedway Police Department, and our other local and state law enforcement partners, appreciates everyone's cooperation during these temporary restrictions and apologizes for any inconvenience they may cause.

Residents are reminded that these restrictions are for Indianapolis 500 race day only. **Keep in mind that should there be a rain out of the Indianapolis 500, it may become necessary to impose these same restrictions the following day.**

For more information about this event and other events around Speedway, including road closures and construction, find us on Facebook at Speedway PD or on Twitter @SpeedwayPD.

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