

Champion. Support. Connect.

1983 - 1989

Getting Organized

- 1983 | Lieutenant Governor John Mutz and Alan Schusterman, President of Indiana Humanities Council, convened a group of foundation leaders to discuss the role of philanthropy in Indiana and discuss common issues and opportunities.
- Committee formed to lead shared work
- The name "Indiana Donors Alliance" (IDA) was adopted
- Indiana Humanities Council provided a home and back office support
- Annual conferences held
- 1985 | First Directory of Indiana Grantmakers published
- 1989 | First full-time staff person (Nancy DiLaura) hired

1990 - 1992

Formalizing the Organization

- 1990 | IDA incorporates; Indiana Humanities continues to serve as fiscal agent
- Membership campaign begins (goal = 30 members)
- Lilly Endowment Inc. announces GIFT; decides to house technical assistance at IDA
- 1992 | IDA receives 501c3 status from IRS; forms IDA Foundation (supporting organization) to receive large grants from Lilly Endowment Inc. and not jeopardize public charity status
- IDA moves from Indiana Humanities offices to Victoria Centre, 22 East Washington Street. IDA takes on fiscal and administrative responsibilities.

1993 - 1998

Exploring Roles and Relationships

- 1993 | Jerry Musich becomes executive director
- 1994 | Membership is at 90 grantmaking organizations
- IDA creates "associate member" category. Over the next few years, associate membership (grantseekers) grows to far exceed grantmaker members.
- Annual conferences held; Directory of Indiana Grantmakers published annually
- 1998 | Strategic plan and decision made to focus on grantmakers; associate member category eliminated
- IDA moves from Victoria Centre to Symphony Centre, 32 East Washington Street
- 1999 | Carol Simonetti becomes executive director

1998 - Present

Focus and Strategy

- 2000 | Named changed to "Indiana Grantmakers Alliance" (IGA) to reflect the commitment to serving this constituency
- 2000 | Indiana Giving Ventures (IGIVE) receives 3-year grant to promote philanthropy
- 2003 | IGA becomes home for Youth Philanthropy Initiative of Indiana. Annual grants from Lilly Endowment begin.
- 2005 | Membership is at 131 grantmaking organizations
- 2007 | Marissa Manlove joins IGA as CEO. Increased focus on public policy.
- **2014** Name changed to Indiana Philanthropy Alliance (IPA) to reflect broader role of foundations
- **2019** | Claudia Cummings joins IPA as CEO