

Issue 16—August 8, 2008

Welcome to SAVI Connections, the electronic newsletter regarding the SAVI system. In addition to providing news about SAVI, SAVI Connections announces the release of new data, showcases new tools, highlights a variety of SAVI users, broadcasts user support and training options, and demonstrates various ways in which SAVI can benefit your organization.

The Polis Center staff encourages your ideas and feedback. Please address comments to: savi@iupui.edu. View past newsletters at: <http://www.savi.org/savii/about/news.aspx>

What's New?

New Data

- Marion County Vital Statistics (2007)
- SAVI-wide Vital Statistics by County (1989-2003)
- Uniform Crime Report Data for Marion County (2007)
- Juvenile Justice Data for Marion County (2007)
- Food Source Location Density: Grocery Stores, Convenience Stores, and Fast Food Outlets (2007)
- Several updated community assets:
 - Human Service Programs
 - Hospitals and Clinics
 - Places of Worship
 - Parks

Introducing the New SAVI Training Program

Want to learn more about SAVI and how you can use it to improve your organization's or community's planning, funding, and strategic decisions? SAVI has revamped its training program with several new classes and improvements to existing classes. Responding to feedback gathered from surveys, interviews, and training evaluations, SAVI training is moving beyond the basic how-to approach to one that provides tangible examples and demonstrations of how SAVI can be used to address common information needs.



We have developed new topic-oriented and tool-oriented workshops that are tailored to the information needs of human service and community-based organizations and allow users to employ SAVI for strategic planning, program planning, community assessments, and grant applications. We also will offer Continuing Education Credits as part of our training program.

SAVI Course Listing:

- **Level 1: How to Use the SAVI Website**
 - 4-hour hands-on class; No prerequisites

What's New?

New Geographies

- Community Development Corporations.
 - Including statistical reporting for adult and juvenile crime data

Indianapolis-Marion County Central Library to Provide Introductory SAVI Training

The Indianapolis Marion County Public Library (IMCPL) will provide free SAVI Training at the newly-renovated Central Library located at 40 East St. Clair St. in Indianapolis. IMCPL is offering a 2 ½-hour executive overview class (hands-on activities will be minimal). This class will be an excellent opportunity for those who want to take the first steps to learning the capabilities of the SAVI system.

Please visit IMCPL's [website](#) and click on "Events & Class" or call 317-275-4119 to register. See flyer at the end of the newsletter.

Class Schedule:

Tues, August 19th 9:15a–11:45a
Tues, October 21st 9:15a–11:45a
Tues, December 16th 9:15a–11:45a

- **Level 2: Tool-based Workshops**
 - 1-hour hands-on classes; Prerequisites: Level 1
 - Custom Communities
 - Charts & Graphs
 - Map My Own Data
- **Level 3: Basic Analysis Techniques**
 - 2 ½-hour fundamental concepts class; Prerequisite: Level 1
- **Level 4: Topic-based Workshops**
 - 2-hour hands-on classes; Prerequisites: Levels 1 and 3, Level 2 also preferred
 - Using SAVI to Support Grant Applications
 - Using SAVI to Support Community Assessments
 - Using SAVI to Support Strategic Planning
 - Using SAVI to Support Program Planning
- **Beyond SAVI**
 - 2-hour hands-on class; Prerequisites: Levels 1 and 3
 - Advanced Spatial Analysis Tools for Community Planning
 - Google Earth and Google Maps for Non-Profits

For complete descriptions of the classes click [here](#).

To register for SAVI classes click [here](#); call 317-274-2455 or e-mail polis@iupui.edu.

Fall Class Schedule:

- **Level 1: How to Use the SAVI Website**
 - Wed and Thurs, September 24th and 25th 5:30p–7:30p (attendance both evenings is required)
 - Tues, November 18th 8:30a–12:30p
- **Level 2: Tool-based Workshops**
 - Custom Communities
 - Tues, August 12th 11:00a–12:00p
 - Map Your Own Data
 - Wed, September 10th 11:00a–12:00p
 - Charts & Graphs
 - Thurs, October 9th 11:00a–12:00p
- **Level 3: Basic Analysis Techniques**
 - Wed, October 29th 9:00a–11:30a
- **Level 4: Topic-based Workshops**
 - Using SAVI to Support Grant Applications
 - Wed, December 10th 1:00p–3:00p

Earn Your SAVI-Trained Professional and SAVI-Trained Practitioner Certifications

We now offer SAVI training certifications for two different levels. Our SAVI-Trained Professional Certification requires completion of five SAVI classes, totaling 9.5 hours of class time, and focuses on the hands-on use of SAVI for retrieving data and producing maps, charts, and custom communities. Go beyond the basics with our SAVI-Trained Practitioner Certification, which focuses on the many applications of SAVI data such as strategic

SAVI-Trained Professional (9.5 hours class time)

- Level 1 (How to Use the SAVI Website)
- Level 2 (Tool-Based Workshops)
 - Custom Communities
 - Map Your Own Data
 - Charts & Graphs
- Level 3 (Basic Analysis Techniques)

planning and grant application support. Refer to the list at right for the specifics on SAVI certification.

Students who successfully complete their certification will be recognized at the annual SAVI User Conference and listed on the SAVI website.

SAVI-Trained Practitioner

- Requirements of SAVI-Trained Professional, plus:
- Level 4 (Topic-based Workshops—choice of 3)
- Level 5 (Advanced Applications)



SAVI is a community information system administered and maintained by [The Polis Center](#), a unit in the [School of Liberal Arts](#) at IUPUI. The following organizations financially support SAVI: [Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation, Inc.](#); [Indianapolis Foundation, an affiliate of Central Indiana Community Foundation](#); [Lilly Endowment, Inc.](#); [United Way of Central Indiana](#); [City of Indianapolis, Department of Metropolitan Development](#); [Marion County Health and Hospital Corporation](#); [Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis \(IUPUI\)](#).

For more information about SAVI, please visit the website at www.savi.org.

Local Demographics * Customized Maps * Population * Economy * Health *
Education * Crime * Transportation

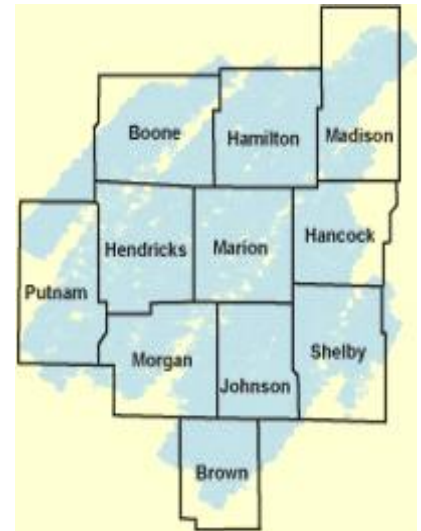
Are you savvy yet?

SAVI Introduction

(Social Assets and Vulnerabilities Indicators)

SAVI-Interactive (www.savi.org) is a dynamic community information system that allows you to map, compare, and store data about Central Indiana communities from over 30 data sources. SAVI is free and available to all.

- Access data in interactive maps and tables
- See a detailed report on your neighborhood – population, economy, health, education, housing.
- Map such assets as churches, libraries, schools, parks, daycares, hospitals, United Way agencies, etc.
- Upload a list of address or GPS points and map them in SAVI.



Central Library

One Library Square @40 East St. Clair St. • Computer Lab, 1st Floor

Tuesday, August 19th, 2008 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, October 21st, 2008 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, December 16th, 2008 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, February 17th, 2009 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, April 21st, 2009 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, June 16th, 2009 – 9:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Admittance is by pre-reservation at 275-4119. Capacity is 12 seats.

FREE and open to the public.



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