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Bloomington Community Block Party on July 12
The Excel Center in Bloomington will host a community block party on Friday, July 12 from 12- 5 p.m.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – The Excel Center®, Goodwill's high school for adults, will host a community block party at 2088 S. Liberty Drive in Bloomington on July 12 from noon until 5 p.m. The block party is free, open to the public and will be held in the parking lot of The Excel Center, which will officially open on July 15. Food, music, family games and local organizations' information booths will be available throughout the event.

Community organizations and vendors who are expected to attend include: United Health Services, Inc., Ivy Tech, Centerstone, Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana, Area 10 Agency, The Excel Center and more. Free promotional items, activities and enrollment will be available at the various booths.

"Our block party serves as a thank you to the Bloomington community for being so welcoming," said Excel Center director Kelly Hannon. "All are invited to join the fun as we celebrate with music, food, local partners and family activities on July 12."

The Excel Center allows adult students to pick up right where they left off in school and provides support and resources to meet their goals. With expedited curriculum and flexible scheduling, students can graduate quickly and prepare for postsecondary pathways. The Excel Center also offers students free on-site child care, transportation assistance, dual credit courses and industry-recognized certification opportunities— all at no cost.

According to the United States Census Bureau, over 11% of Monroe County residents over the age of 18 lack a high school diploma.

"The Excel Center works with students and the community to support a two-generation approach to education, health and employment." said Betsy Delgado, vice president of mission & education at Goodwill. "We are proud to serve the Bloomington community and partner with other organizations for this event."

Enrollment for The Excel Center in Bloomington is now open for July classes. Adults who wish to enroll can visit excelcenter.org/enroll, call 812.353.8084 or enroll on-site during the block party. If there is inclement weather on July 12, the block party will be held indoors at the same location.

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