

## First Friday Wabash Involvement Questions:

Scenario: Many businesses, non profits, individuals who sell items, food trucks, musicians, and more are reaching out to us wanting to get involved with First Fridays. While this is great and we love that people are reaching out, we wanted to have a quick Q&A to help many individuals.

There are a few ways you could get involved. Please note this is not every possible scenario, but are many that are brought up. We hope this helps clarify anything and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you for your time.

1. **Food Vendor:** We welcome many types of food vendors to set up for our First Friday events. We completely leave it open to our businesses to sponsor and support these food vendors for the event.
  - a. **Business Partnerships:** Your first step would be to contact any business and see if they would be willing to sponsor your food truck. The food truck must set up near their store. A list of businesses can be found on our website here: <https://www.wabashmarketplace.org/>
  - b. **Health Permit:** After you have made contact with the business, you will want to make sure to have a Wabash County Health Department permit. The contact for them is Rich Mofield at [rmofield@wabashcounty.in.gov](mailto:rmofield@wabashcounty.in.gov) You can find more information here: <http://health.wabashcounty85.us/cgi.exe?PAGEID=0011>
  - c. **Making WMI aware:** Finally, once you have the plans made with the business, please make sure the business reaches out to Wabash Marketplace, [info@wabashmarketplace.org](mailto:info@wabashmarketplace.org) or 260-563-0975 to coordinate parking blocking off, trash cans, and utilizing electricity as well.

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2. **Vendors, such as an artisan or homemade items:** There are a few ways that we encourage any vendor or artisan to participate.
  - a. **PLEASE REFER TO THE VENDOR FORM HERE:** <https://www.wabashmarketplace.org/first-friday-wabash.html>
  - b. **June's First Friday theme is Art's Alive:** If you are only wanting to set up for a one time event, this would be the route to take. We encourage Artisans, and homemade vendors to participate in this. Please contact [tyler@wabashmarketplace.org](mailto:tyler@wabashmarketplace.org) or 260-563-0975 for more information,
  - c. **Business Partnerships:** PLEASE REFER TO A
  - d. **Become a Wabash Marketplace Member:** This Annual membership come with many benefits, such as the ability to set up regularly at First Friday events. More information can be found by contacting [tyler@wabashmarketplace.org](mailto:tyler@wabashmarketplace.org) or by visiting the website: <http://www.wabashmarketplace.org/membership->

[benefits.html](#)

- e. **Wabash Farmers' Market:** If you have an item that can be sold at the Farmers' Market, we encourage you to find more information out about that. Please contact [tyler@wabashmarketplace.org](mailto:tyler@wabashmarketplace.org) for more information.
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3. **Businesses/Non-profits/any type of Organization:** There are a few ways that we encourage any of the above to participate.

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4. **Musicians:** At this time, the First Friday committee is not able to pay musicians to perform. With that said, we would be more than happy to add you to a list in case that changes for the future, as well as we encourage you to do the below.

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5. **First Friday Sponsorship:** If interested in helping with sponsorships and costs of First Friday, please contact Tyler Karst , [info@wabashmarketplace.org](mailto:info@wabashmarketplace.org) or 260-563-0975.

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