

# CURRENT IN NOBLESVILLE

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*Partners in the Noblesville Post Office Landscape Project. Front row, from left: Cindy Benedict, Glen Schwartz, Ann Lemna, Lori Schwartz, Liz Funk and Pete Kahlo; Back row, from left: Patrick Propst, Chris Owens, Jack Martin, Aaron Rector, John Rhodus and Kristi Snyder. (Submitted photo)*

## **Commentary by Cindy Benedict**

I'm behind in sharing this volunteer story, but it is a great one to share. So, drumroll please for all the partners who recently spruced up the Noblesville Post Office. If you use this facility on Pleasant Street, you've already seen their work. Now you'll know the "rest of the story."

Under the leadership of Keep Noblesville Beautiful, in partnership with SERVE Noblesville and the City of Noblesville, volunteers and area businesses did a major beautification project at the post office over two days in July.

The front beds were full of small rocks with no plant material. It was a low maintenance solution, but not very inviting or pretty. After the rocks were removed, the extremely hard ground was broken up and enhanced with new soil. Then the fun began. Beautiful shrubs and perennials were planted, and mulch was spread.

These plants look good now, but wait until next year when they are fully established. The team also pruned all the front apple trees. Fifty volunteers put in approximately 300 hours of work to create beauty at this popular destination. KNB members, Boy Scout Troop 101, Helmer Scientific employees, local families and more were all part of this hardworking volunteer crew.

But they certainly didn't do this alone. Many kudos go to local professionals and businesses that made this happen:

- Kristi Snyder volunteered landscaping design services, choosing native plants for the beds.
- Kahlo Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge, Jeep sponsored the purchase of over 100 plants.
- Tiffany Lawn & Garden Supply, Inc. provided the new soil and mulch.
- McGavic Outdoor Power of Noblesville donated tree trimming services on the front grounds.
- Postmasters Jenifer Morgan and Rob Pickett smoothed through federal permissions and John Rhodus, their facilities manager, is dedicated to watering the new plantings.

Congratulations and thanks to Keep Noblesville Beautiful, the volunteers and businesses. Well done!

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