

Cradle Indy

Proposed Recipient: IU Health Foundation

Address of Recipient: 565 Riley Hospital Drive Suite XE80 Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

Amount of Request: \$600,000

Explanation of Request: The funding requested will support Cradle Indianapolis, a proven system driven by the community for the community. Cradle Indianapolis is a collaborative effort among parents, caregivers, healthcare professionals and community members to identify and counter causes of infant mortality in Marion County. Working from a model that has reduced infant mortality in Cincinnati, the initiative will address preconception health, pregnancy health and infant health, including issues such as smoking during pregnancy, sleep-related deaths and pre-term births. Cradle Indianapolis's initial focus is the most urgent: African American mothers and their babies in Marion County. The long-term plan is to grow the program statewide, to help all Hoosiers.