

# STELLAR UPDATE

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## Top stories for August 2019



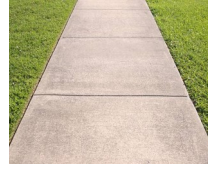
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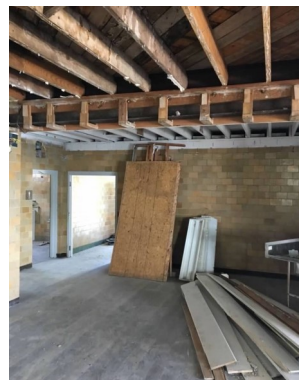
## Sand Hill Farm Apartments Ribbon Cutting & Open for Leasing

Residents, media, and community leaders were on hand in June for an official ribbon cutting on the Sand Hill Farms Phase One apartment building. Pictured in the center are Kevin Berger, developer, and John DeSalle, Vice Chairperson of the South Bend-Elkhart Regional Development Authority. \$270,000 towards infrastructure extensions for the development was awarded through the State of Indiana's Regional Cities Initiative. Phase One of the development is a 24 unit apartment building with one, two, and three bedroom units rented at market rates, and is now accepting tenants. Call Oak Crest Realty for leasing information at 574-936-7616. More information is available on the development website, [www.sandhillfarmdev.com](http://www.sandhillfarmdev.com).



## Beach Lodge Construction Update

Michiana Contracting began work earlier this summer with excavation around the north end of the building for water proofing of the existing building and the addition of a new entry, stairway, and elevator to increase accessibility for all patrons. The building itself will soon be closed to the public until further notice. The project will be substantially complete by March 31, 2020 and resume normal operations around that time. The total cost of the project including architectural work, grant administration, and construction is \$1,919,750. \$1,500,000 of the project costs will be paid for using OCRA grant dollars received as a stellar designee.



The major focus of the renovation includes updating plumbing and electrical fixtures, a reworking of the main level floor plan to create a larger gathering space, enclosure of a portion of the lakeside balcony, and making all three levels of the building accessible by elevator. A selection of the construction plans are available for viewing online at <https://townofculver.org/boards/stellar-communities-program/>.

## Broadband Planning Survey and Regional Stellar Plans

Culver representatives are working hard on improving our community in cooperation with other



communities in our region. One such effort is the Marshall County Broadband Planning team. Residents can help put together a strong plan by filling out a survey and speed test here through August 31 : <https://pcrd.purdue.edu/marshallcounty>. Meanwhile, the Marshall County Crossroads team is a regional planning initiative that has grown from last year's regional stellar application into a diverse group with over 50 members and 8 subcommittees on everything from rural health and wellness, industry and entrepreneurship, the arts, and everything in between. The committee continues to meet regularly in preparation for the completion of a regional development plan for the 2019 Stellar Communities program and a quality of life plan to prioritize improvements in Marshall County over the next 5-10 years



## State Road 10 Sidewalks Updates

A preliminary design of the State Road 10 sidewalk is complete and posted online at <https://townofculver.org/boards/stellar-communities-program/>. Troyer Group will provide an update on the design at an upcoming public meeting planned for this fall. Troyer Group is also working on preliminary construction plans for the West Jefferson Streetscape project and Lake Maxinkuckee Trails Phase 2, and those plans will also be presented to the public at a meeting this fall (date still to be determined, likely late September).

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