



IndianaMap on the Road

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Gaining visibility through public spaces offers a unique opportunity to raise awareness of geospatial and remote sensing programs, projects, data and technology. With the support of IndianaView, the Indiana Geographic Information Council (IGIC) developed a museum-quality educational exhibit of the IndianaMap.

The exhibit highlights the IndianaMap, helping develop a shared vision of one map for Indiana among the public, private, educational and nonprofit sectors.

The display communicates basic ideas about remote sensing imagery and geographic information systems to help viewers appreciate the technology and its applications.

Solid and transparent acrylic disks suspended from each of the four tripods in the exhibit convey the concept of map layers. Each set of layers is an example of how remote sensing data can be used. For instance, aerial photography is the basemap showing “Neighborhoods” (Shown at right). The first transparent layer above it shows “High Crime Areas,” and the uppermost layer shows where “Increased Patrols” were added.

In addition, specific instances of how remote sensing technology was successfully used to address a local issue are displayed on each side of the tripods.

The result of these eye-catching materials is a more informed audience with a clear understanding of the value remote sensing brings to government, emergency management, economic development and conservation.

The exhibit has been on display at the Indiana Statehouse, and the Indiana State Library. It will also be shown in several children’s museums around the state, and is available for conferences and events.

Figures 1-4. The IndianaMap exhibit at the Statehouse and Indiana State library