

FORTVILLE

Population: 4,136 | Number of Households: 1,629 | Median Household Income: \$51,047 | Median Home Value: \$135,997 | Median Resident Age: 37.5 years

Fortville is a quintessential Midwestern small town, with front porches, small shops, and welcoming people! Located at the northeast edge of the Indianapolis metro area, Fortville is quickly becoming a culinary destination with unique awardwinning restaurants amidst a walkable, historic downtown.

The namesake of the town is Cephas Fort, who laid out the original plat survey for the area in 1849. The Bee Line Railroad (later New York Central) came to town in 1852, and the town incorporated in 1865 with 240 residents.

The Town desires to keep its small town character and uniqueness. While development pressures are on the horizon, the town has utilized many Neo-Traditional or New Urbanist principles in its approach to planned residential development in order to retain a traditional character. Additionally, new commercial development will create a walkable environment along Broadway Street.

The Town is part of the "Health & Heritage Region", along with the City of Greenfield and Hancock County. The region was awarded the prestigious Stellar Communities designation from the State of Indiana which provides access to a mix of grants, low-interest loans, and tax credits for development projects, totaling about \$15 million.

For those into kitschy roadside Americana, be sure to check out the "Pink Elephant", a staple on Broadway in Fortville for decades!

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