



Looking to take a walking tour of Downtown Fort Wayne? Here is just one path we'd suggest!

Starting at the **Visitors Center** , cross Washington Street and step into the beautiful **Grand Wayne Convention Center** , via their Harrison Street entrance.

Exit the Grand Wayne Center  on the Jefferson Blvd side (the Embassy Theatre, Courtyard by Marriott, Parkview Field and Champions Sports Bar will be located through those doors). Cross the street and head left. Pass the historic Embassy Theatre, and on the corner is your first stop at the **Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory** :

Surround yourself with nature at an oasis in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne. Enjoy lush seasonal displays, four outdoor gardens, the Tropical Garden with orchids, palms, and a cascading waterfall, and the Sonoran Desert Garden. Visit the Gift Shop or the Café.

From there, continue on Jefferson Blvd towards Clinton St. At Barr St, take a left and head north for three blocks. At the corner of Barr St. and Berry St. is your second stop: **The History Center** : *Allen County Fort Wayne Historical Society and museum. Little Turtle to Anthony Wayne to inventions that originated in this area; 26,000 historic photographs, records, and artifacts available for study.*

Then, continue going north on Barr St for one more block. At Main St, take a right. On your right side is your next stop at **Auer Center for Performing Arts** . *The Auer Center is home to the Fort Wayne Ballet, Fort Wayne Trails, Pembroke Bakery, and Artlink: a non-profit contemporary art gallery. Artlink's mission is to showcase work of the highest quality by emerging and mid-career artists and provide educational programs for the community. Artlink holds twenty exhibitions each year in the feature galleries.*

Feeling the need for more art? Your next stop is right across the street! **The Fort Wayne Museum of Art** : *Contemporary art museum offers works from permanent collections and national traveling exhibitions. Offers activities including workshops, lectures, and guided tours. Museum Store has unique selections of original art, jewelry and gifts.*

After leaving the **Museum of Art** , take a right on Main St and head west. Two blocks over, on your left, you will see the **Allen County Courthouse** . Feel free to stop and take a look at this national historic landmark.

Getting hungry? There are two Fort Wayne favorites to choose from close by. The first is located about half a block west on Main St. - **Fort Wayne's Famous Coney Island** . Try these great famous and delicious Coney Dogs! The second option is a little further away, but just as delicious! Head past Coney Island and take a left at Harrison St. Head two blocks south. On the corner you will find **Cindy's Diner** : authentic '50s diner. Serving the "Whole World" 15 at a time! Breakfast served any time.

After you have eaten, continue on your tour by heading right (west) on Wayne St. Go about a block and a half to the **Allen County Public Library**  which is home to the The Genealogy Center: home of the nation's largest public genealogy collection, and it is housed in a brand new, \$65 million facility that is second to none!

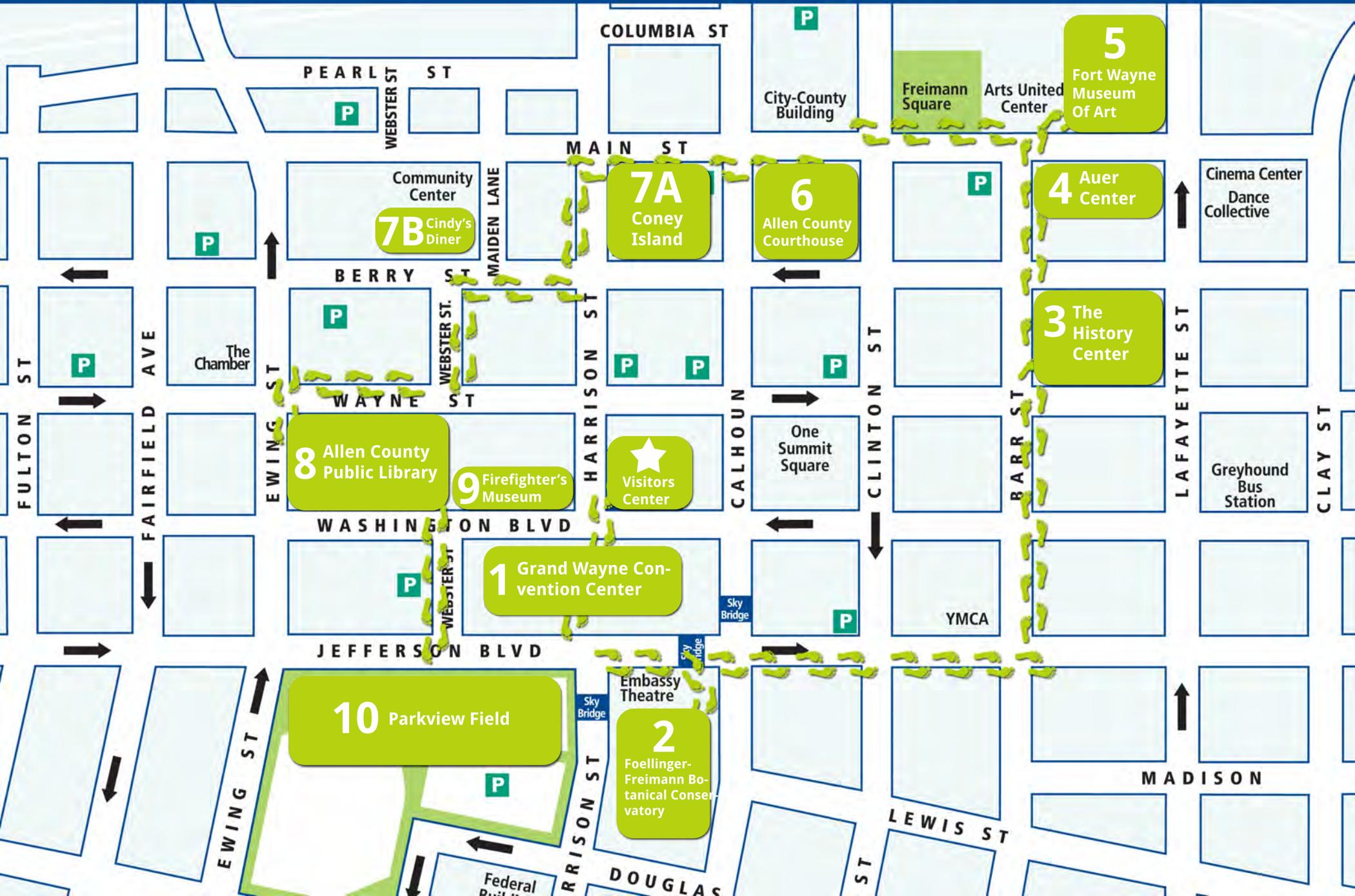
After you expand your knowledge on your family tree, exit the library through Dunkin' Donuts. On your way back to the Grand Wayne Center you can stop at the **Firefighter's Museum** . Located in historic Engine House No. 3, this museum showcases artifacts used by some of the city's earliest heroes - the firefighters. Come and see two floors of equipment and photos from the last 160 years of firefighting in Fort Wayne.

Across the street you will see **Parkview Field** , home to TinCaps Baseball. If you'd like, you can stroll through this stadium, it is open as a public park on all non-game days.

Then, simply cross the street and you have returned to the Grand Wayne Center and the Visitors Center!



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