

## **Indiana's Civil War 150th Commemoration - 2011-2015**

The Indiana Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee was appointed by the [Indiana History Collaborative](#) to encourage Hoosiers to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the Civil War (1861-1865), to provide online resources to help Hoosiers gain a better understanding of Indiana's part in this most devastating conflict in the nation's history, and to encourage communication among interested individuals, groups, and organizations.

One noted historic marker commemorating the 28th Regiment of U.S. Colored Troops was installed in Indianapolis at Virginia Avenue and McCarty Street in 2004.



Text: In April 1864, six companies were organized and activated. The 28th regiment served valiantly in the Battle of the Crater at Petersburg, Virginia on July 30, 1864, when nearly half of the men were killed or wounded. The 28th returned to Indianapolis January 6, 1866 to a reception in its honor; officers and men were discharged January 9.



Text: Indiana's only African-American Civil War regiment served as part of the 28th Regiment of U.S. Colored Troops. African-American infantry was authorized in 1863 to help fill federal quota for soldiers. The Reverend Willis Revels was recruiting officer. Recruits trained at Camp Fremont, established on land near here owned by Calvin Fletcher.