About Our Sponsor

Based in South Bend, Indiana, Charles Hayes provides regionally based solutions within the telecommunications infrastructure. With more than 20 years in the industry, he has built over forty sites located in Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Texas. He specializes in four types of towers: lattice, monopole, stealth, and guyed towers.

Services

1. Site selection and acquisition
2. Engineering, construction, operation and maintenance of tower

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So what is an urban cell tower?

**Cell Towers**

Cell towers are structures that hold communications equipment such as antennas that provide service to phone users. Many cell towers are needed to provide a web-like coverage of the surrounding area. Cell towers have gained a bad reputation due to their lack of aesthetics.

**Problem**

- Urban environments require more cellular towers due to high population density
- Traditional tower designs do not meet space constraints and aesthetic standards that are present in an urban setting
- Our goal is to design an aesthetic alternative to the standard cell towers located on the IIT campus

**Solution/Progress**

- Research existing towers and cellular technology and possible sustainability such as solar panels or wind
- Gain design criteria through polls and questionnaires from our 4 shareholders (Carriers, Our Sponsor, Community, and IIT Administration)
- Integrate research into 3 varied designs