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Blackburn Romey attorneys (from left): Frank Wolferd, Ryan Lindinger, Tom Blackburn, Chad Romey, Christopher Blackburn and David Singleton.

BR Employees Help Fill Food Pantry

Firm donated over $7,300 of food

Blackburn Romey, a trusted personal injury law firm serving Indiana, continued its partnership with WANE 15 for the June 2026 Founder's Day of Caring Food Drive. The annual event is a community-wide initiative dedicated to addressing food insecurity in the Fort Wayne area.

The drive is part of Nexstar's 29th Annual Founder's Day of Caring, which

unites local organizations and businesses to give back in tangible ways. The annual event helps those experiencing hunger by collecting essential food donations for Community Harvest Food Bank. Blackburn Romey staff and family members again partnered and volunteered with WANE 15 and Community Harvest Food Bank, collecting food donations for weeks at the Fort Wayne office prior to the event. Blackburn Romey employees and family members also worked two days to help collect and unload donations at Community Harvest Food Bank and stock the food bank's pantry. Blackburn Romey also donated several large pallets of food — with a value of $7,315! — to help achieve this year's goal. WANE 15 reported that thanks to the generosity of Blackburn Romey and other members of the community, the pantry at Community Harvest Food Bank surpassed last year's donations.

Between donations of food and funds, the total amount of donated food was 19,242 pounds, slightly more than last year's reported total of 19,187 pounds.



Volunteers for the WANE 15 Day of Caring Food Drive included: (from left) Jenna McDaniel, Vonnie Harden, Pat Hoffmann, Ethan Shimer and Laura Miller. Hoffman, in the blue shirt, is with WANE 15 and the "red shirts" are staff members at Blackburn Romey.


Sweet
Corn











FOUNDER'S DAY OF CARING —Employees of Blackburn Romey and members of their families helped collect and load donations as they were dropped off at WANE 15 and helped stock shelves at the Community Harvest Food Bank.

- Top photo: Filling empty shelves with donated food items were BR employees Alicia Johnson, George Pasick, Jennifer Pasick, Penny Phares, Brandon Pasick and Lindsay Kuchmay.
- Photos, from left: Tom Antisdel from WANE TV and BR staff members Chris Blackburn, Ashley Kerl, Alicia Johnson and Jennifer Pasick, along

with Don Terry of Community Harvest Food Bank stopped working long enough to pose for a photo.

- Jordan Ernst and Ashley Kerl flash a couple of beautiful smiles during WANE TV's Day of Caring;
- Don Terry, Alicia Johnson and Brandon Pasick helped unload donations;
- Tammy McClish, Chrystal Boys, and Ashley Kerl take a selfie while helping at the Founder's Day of Caring;
- Lindsay Kuchmay, Jennifer Pasick (BR), Brandon Pasick (BR), George Pasick and Penny Phares pose for a photo after loading and unloading food donations.



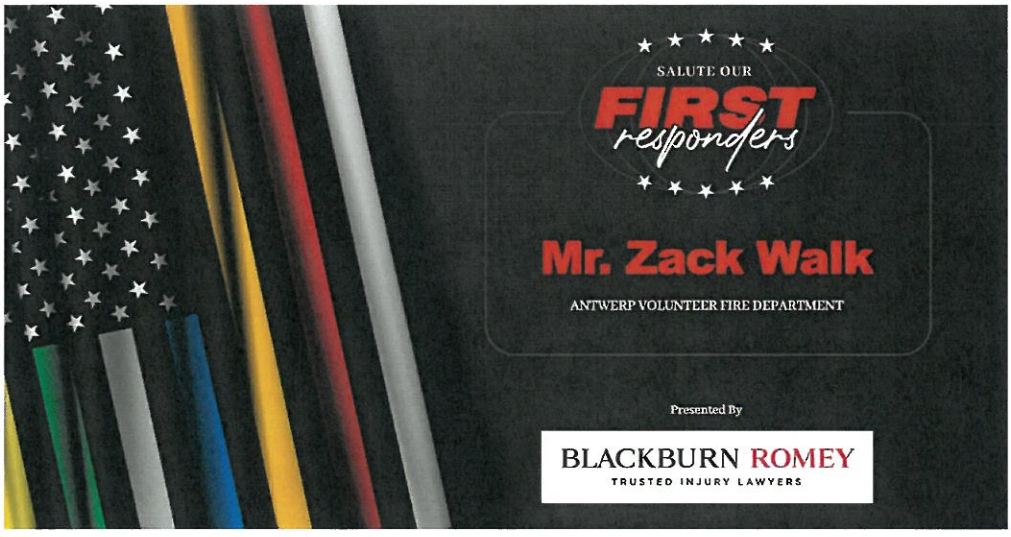
Register Today to Win This Harley!

Blackburn Romey Law Firm's annual Motorcycle Giveaway featuring a 2026 Harley Davidson Fat Boy is underway, and there are only two months left to register to win! Register now and you may be the lucky person who is notified in August that you are the new owner of this commanding and iconic Harley.
Participants must be 18 or older and may register only once. Once registered, participants will receive an email confirmation that their entry was received. The contest closes at noon on Aug. 28.
Participants must be residents of Indiana or the neighboring states of Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio.
The drawing will be held on Aug. 29 at noon, and the winner's name will be posted on the Blackburn Romey website. The winner will also be notified by phone. The winner must claim the prize in person within thirty days of notice and is responsible for any taxes, as well as title and registration fees.

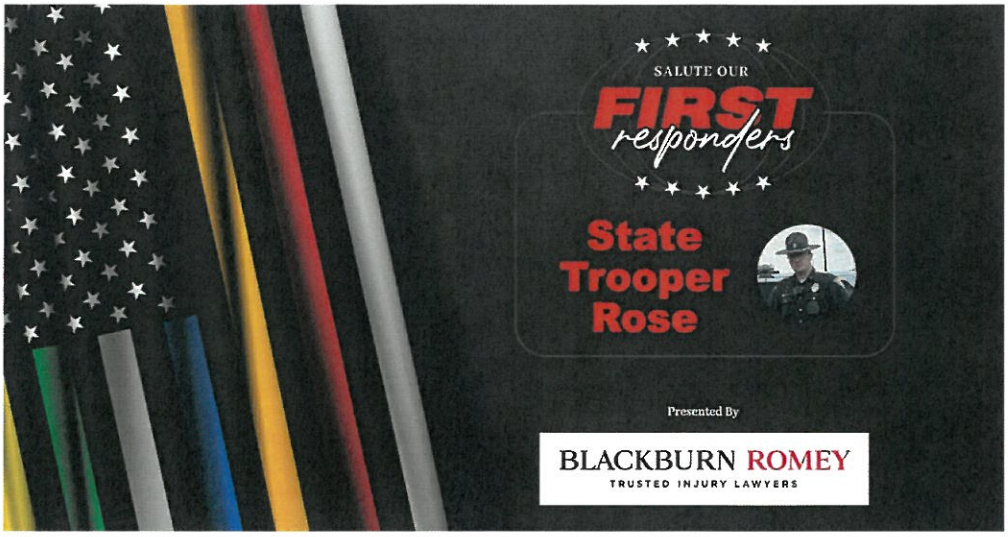
Register here!

Recognizing First Responders

Blackburn Romey Law Firm is recognizing first responders on country radio stations K105 in Fort Wayne and B100 in Mishawaka.
Recent winners include Zack Walk of the Antwerp Volunteer Fire Department, recognized on K105, and State Trooper Rose of District 21, recognized on B100.



According to the person who nominated Mr. Walk, Zack is a unique individual. "Zack went to fire school in his early 30's and not everyone does that," the nominator said. "He goes on every fire that he is able to and drives the fire trucks for the parades. He is also an awesome husband and father."



Trooper Rose has proudly served as an Indiana State Trooper for the past 12 years. A dedicated public servant, he is also a proud father of four and devoted fiancé who values family and community. He hopes everyone enjoys a safe and wonderful summer and reminds drivers to slow down, stay focused, and pay attention on the roadways.



Husky Bite Force & the Owner's Liabilty

Key Takeaways:

- Siberian Huskies have a bite force of approximately 320 PSI, comparable to a Rottweiler, and well above the threshold needed to fracture a human bone.

- Bite force does not predict aggression; behavior reflects training, socialization, and the environment an owner creates.
- Indiana law holds dog owners strictly liable for unprovoked bites in some circumstances, even without prior aggressive history.
- Inadequate training, improper restraint, and failure to supervise are the most common factors in preventable dog bite incidents.
- Speaking with an attorney early preserves critical evidence and protects an Indiana bite victim's legal claim.

A dog bite can happen in an instant, and the injuries left behind can take months to heal. Many people underestimate dogs considered mild-mannered or family-friendly, and Siberian Huskies are a prime example. They rank among the most popular breeds in Indiana, yet questions about their physical capability, temperament, and legal implications remain poorly understood. At **Blackburn Romey**, we represent Hoosiers injured in dog attacks, and understanding what **husky bite force** actually means, both physically and legally, helps injured individuals recognize when they have a valid claim.

How Strong Is a Husky's Bite Force?

A Siberian **Husky bite force** is measured at approximately 320 PSI (pounds per square inch). That figure rivals the Rottweiler and stands well above the estimated 130 PSI threshold associated with breaking a human arm bone, meaning a single unguarded bite can produce fractures, deep tissue damage, and lasting nerve injury.

PSI describes the pressure a jaw can generate, not the likelihood a dog will bite. According to the Service Dog Training School's comparative breed data, Siberian Huskies are widely regarded as playful and energetic rather than aggressive, and their bite force is generally not considered a behavioral concern by trainers. What is not often considered is that if a Husky bites without restraint, the physical consequences are serious. Lacerations, puncture wounds, fractured fingers, and infection risk are all realistic outcomes, and injuries to children can be especially severe.

Siberian Husky



Average PSI Compared to Other Dog Breeds

Bite force varies considerably across breeds. Huskies fall in the mid-to-upper range among commonly owned dogs:

- **Siberian Husky:** approximately 320 PSI

- **German Shepherd:** approximately 238 PSI
- **Rottweiler:** approximately 328 PSI
- Pit Bull: approximately 235–330 PSI
- **Average domestic dog:** approximately 150–180 PSI

A Husky bite delivers roughly twice the force of a typical dog. When injuries are severe, that force informs how courts and insurers evaluate medical causation.

Understanding Bite Force

Bite force is one variable in a larger picture. A dog that bites with 150 PSI but strikes repeatedly or targets a child's face causes profound injury regardless of a lower rating. Injury severity depends on force applied, bite location, the victim's age and size, number of bites, and speed of medical intervention. From a legal standpoint, bite force data supports the damages analysis by connecting the animal's physical capability to documented injuries, including medical costs, lost income and long-term care needs.

Are Huskies Considered Dangerous Dogs?



Indiana does not categorize Siberian Huskies as a legally designated dangerous breed. No statewide statute singles out Huskies or places breed-specific restrictions on ownership. Whether any individual dog is deemed dangerous depends on documented behavior, prior bite history, and local ordinances that vary by municipality. The more important question is not what breed the dog is, but what the owner did or failed to do.

Temperament, Behavior and Common Misconceptions

Huskies are high-energy working dogs bred for endurance and pack activity. They are not inherently aggressive toward people. Problems arise from mismanagement rather than genetics. A Husky confined without adequate exercise accumulates stress that can produce reactive behavior. One deprived of early socialization may respond to strangers with anxiety rather than confidence. The breed's prey drive can also escalate around small children who run or make sudden movements, not out of malice, but because the instinct was never redirected by a responsible owner. None of this makes the breed inherently dangerous; It makes responsible ownership essential.

How Husky Bites Compare to Other Dangerous Dog Breeds

German Shepherds, Pit Bulls, and Rottweilers consistently appear in severe bite incident data, each carrying force comparable to or exceeding a **Husky bite force**. But breed identity alone does not determine liability in Indiana. A Rottweiler owned by an attentive handler with proper training is not the same legal risk as a Husky allowed to roam unsupervised. What connects serious bite incidents across all breeds is a pattern of owner failure, including inadequate restraint, no training history, prior warnings ignored, and children left unsupervised with the animal.



Causes of Husky Dog Bite Incidents

When a Husky bites, the circumstances typically reflect a breakdown in ownership responsibility rather than random aggression. Common contributing factors include lack of socialization, inadequate exercise, absent physical restraint, unintentional provocation by young children, and owner inattention at the critical moment of contact.

Owner Responsibility and Preventable Risk Factors

Every preventable dog bite traces back to a decision an owner made, or failed to make, before the injury occurred. Indiana law reflects that principle directly. Under Indiana Code 15-20-1-3, a dog owner is liable for all damages suffered by a person bitten without provocation while lawfully present at the location. Liability attaches even when the dog has no prior history of aggression and even when the owner claims no knowledge of dangerous behavior. An owner cannot escape responsibility simply by insisting the dog never bit anyone before.

Related reading: Indiana Leash Laws: What You Need To Know

What to Do After a Dog Bite Injury

Seek medical evaluation immediately, even when wounds appear minor. Puncture wounds carry a high infection risk, and early medical records establish the link between the attack and the injury. Beyond treatment, document the scene with photographs, identify the dog's owner, and file a report with local animal control. Avoid giving recorded statements to insurance adjusters before speaking with an attorney. Indiana's two-year statute of limitations for personal injury claims gives victims time to act, but evidence, including prior complaints and witness accounts, disappears quickly.

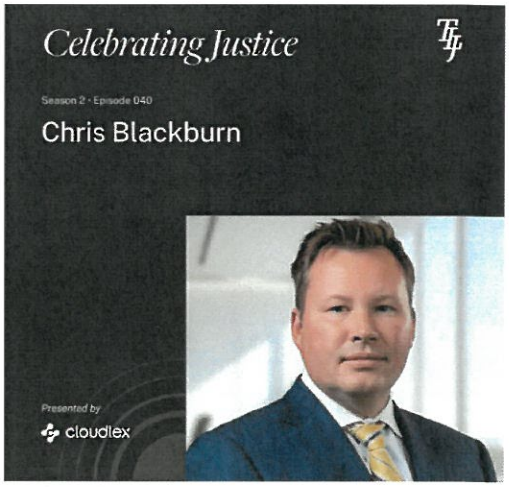
Read: Can Emotional Trauma Be Part of a Dog Bite Claim in Indiana?

Contact Blackburn Romey After a Dog Bite in Indiana

Indiana law gives bite victims a clear path to hold negligent owners accountable, regardless of breed. **Blackburn Romey** has represented injured Hoosiers across Indiana, fighting for the compensation they deserve while they focus on recovery. Call us at **(260) 422-4400** to review your situation, explain your options, and stand in your corner from day one.

Check Out
Blackburn Romey's YouTube Channel

Chris Blackburn, a seasoned trial lawyer at Blackburn Romey in Fort Wayne, Indiana, shares his journey from finance and farming back to trial law, led by a simple question when working with clients: "Do they need help?" Click here to hear more. Chris Blackburn and Chad Romey offer advice, guidance and answers on the Blackburn Romey YouTube channel. Want to see more answers to your legal questions? Click here to hear Chad Romey explain "How Insurance Uses Stereotypes Against Bikers" on YouTube.



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Everyone at Blackburn Romey treated us with the utmost respect and compassion. We can't say enough positive things about our relationship with Chad Romey; he is soft-spoken, but commands attention during his negotiations. Chad fought hard for us, and most importantly, he came through with astounding results.

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