# THE MAIN STREET PROGRAM

#### **OVERVIEW OF FOUR MAIN PRINCIPLES**

DUBLIN MARCH 3, 2020







Our Mission is to:
Save the places that matter
Build community
Live better



# Revitalization

- Technical Assistance
- Ohio Main Street Program
- 4-Point Approach



#### **Preservation**

- Top Opportunities Program
- Historic Theaters Initiative
- Preservation Easement Program
- One-on-one advice and consultation



# **Advocacy**

- Supporting policy efforts
- Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit

#### **National Main Street Center**

Established in 1980

**AMERICA** 

 Program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation



35 years helping communities revitalize their downtowns and commercial districts

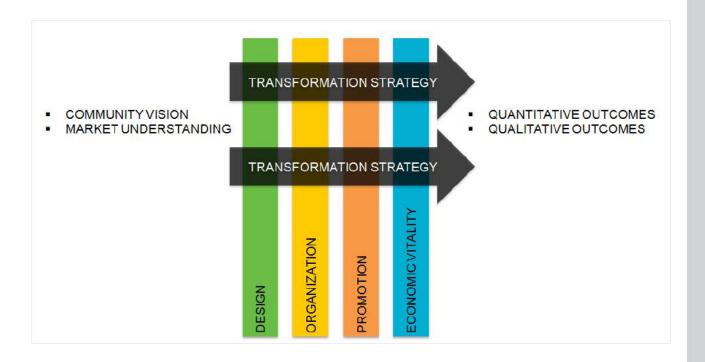
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a subsidiary of the National Trust *for* Historic Preservation

Center

# The Main Street Approach

- Identify the community vision for success
- Create community transformation strategies



# PATH TO BECOMING MAIN STREET

#### OHIO MAIN STREET AND AFFILIATE COMMUNITIES



# OHIO MAIN DOWNTOWN STREET PROGRAM AFFILIATE COMMUNITIES COMMUNITIES

Cambridge Amherst
Chardon Ashland
Cleveland Buckeye Lake Region
Delaware Defiance
Greenville Delphos
Kent Coshocton
Lakewood Franklin

Lakewood Franklin
Lebanon Freemont
Marietta Greenfield
Medina Grove City
Middletown Hilliard
Millersburg Logan

Mount Vernon Newark

Painesville Norwalk
Piqua Oberlin
Portsmouth Olmsted Falls
Tiffin Port Clinton
Tipp City Ravenna
Troy Sandusky

Van Wert Sidney
Vermilion Somerset
Wadsworth Steubenville
Wooster Urbana
Wellington

Westerville Wilmington Worthington Xenia

#### COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Relies on quality

Meaningful public/private partnerships

Involves changing attitudes

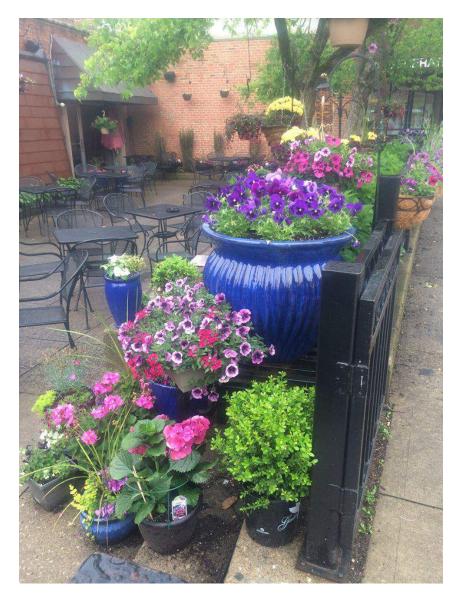
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A Self-help program

Incremental in nature









Comprehensive approach

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#### MEANINGFUL PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

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# OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF MARIETTA IS VITAL TO OUR SUCCESSES DOWNTOWN.

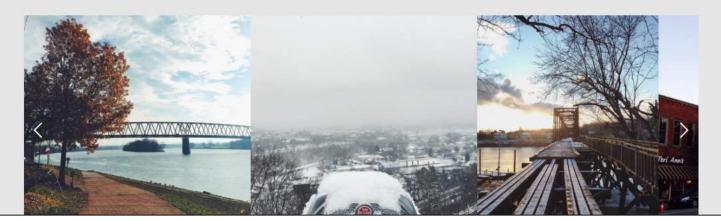
Marietta, Ohio is a picturesque river town located on the confluence of the Ohio and Muskingum Rivers. Established in 1788 and the first permanent settlement of the Northwest Territory, the city was named after Marie Antoinette in honor of France's role in the Revolutionary War. Brick streets lined with lush hardwood trees and ornate Victorian homes make Marietta one of the most idyllic cities in the Midwest.

With a rich history, two waterways and a vibrant downtown, our city is always bustling with activity. In fact, National Geographic magazine named Marietta "One of the Best Places to Live" and "Best Adventure Town." Our historic district offers many distinctive stores, boutiques, antique shops and galleries, as well as independent restaurants and cozy cafes.

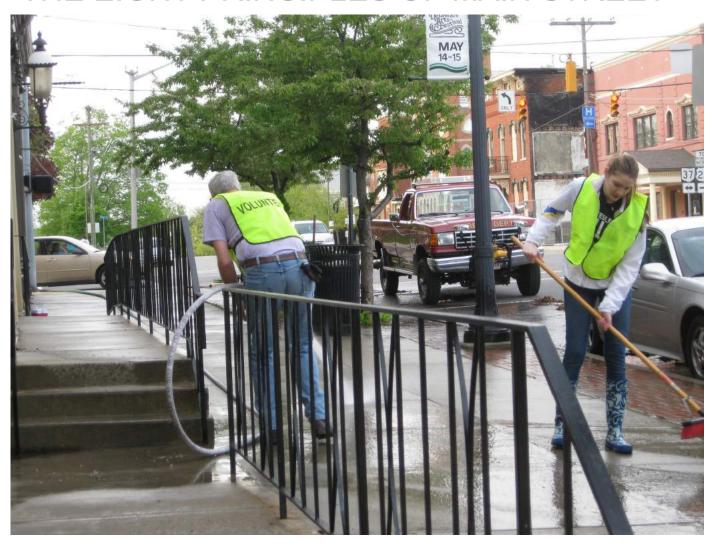
Just across the Muskingum River from downtown Marietta is Harmar Village, home to historic museums, antique shops, and quirky boutiques. Harmar Village also offers several eateries and even a shop housed in a vintage train car. Harmar and Marietta are linked by a charming turn style railroad bridge, the only one of its kind still operating in the country today. Now a pedestrian bridge, it offers a memorable scenic stroll between these two river towns.

Learn about our local municipality by visiting the City of Marietta's website: City of Marietta

Learn about our local county by visiting the Washington County website: Washington County, OH







Comprehensive approach

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#### INVOLVES CHANGING ATTITUDES

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# Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.

Winston Churchill 1874 - 1965

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#### INCREMENTAL IN NATURE

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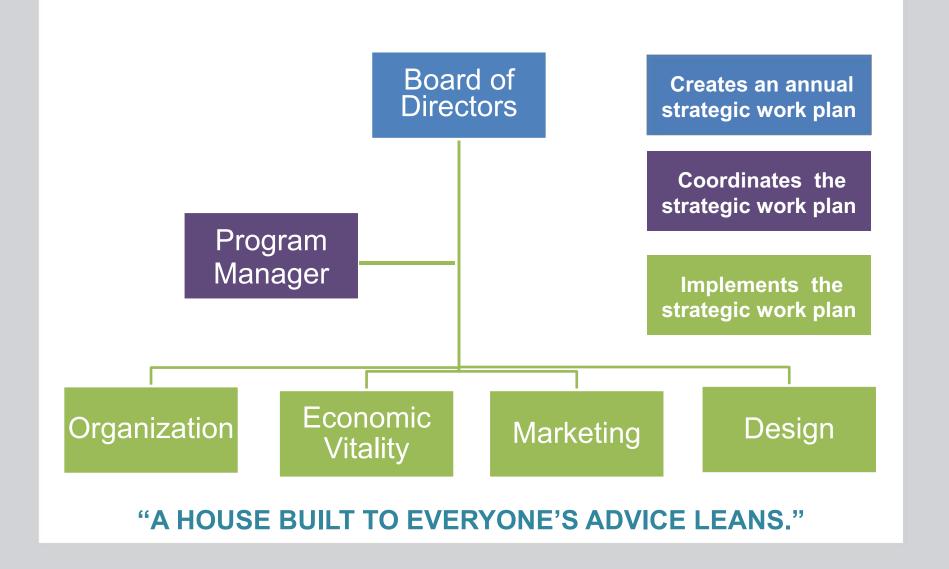
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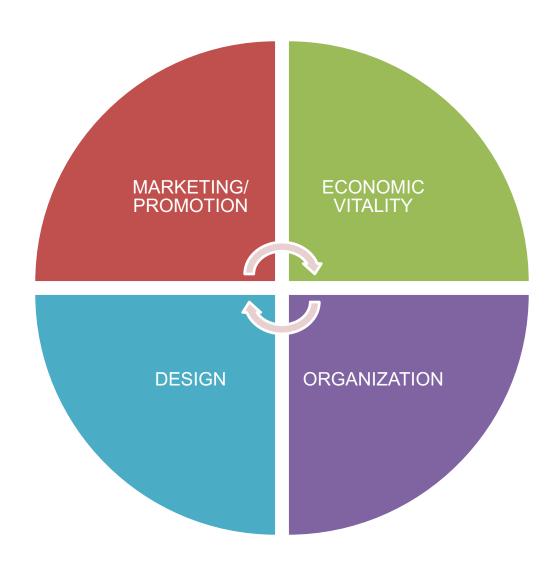


# MAIN STREET STRUCTURE

# **BOARD DEVELOPMENT**

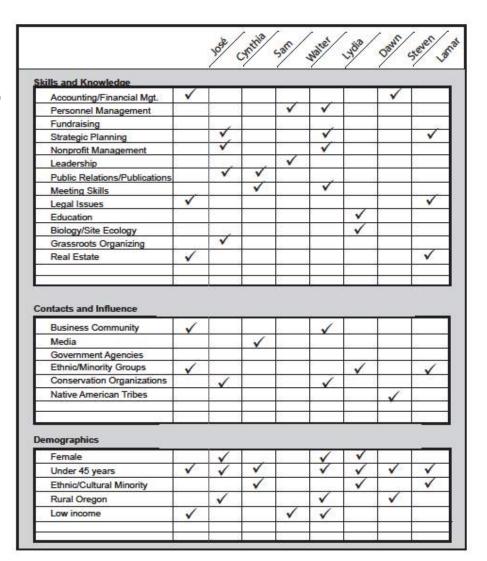


# FOUR POINT APPROACH



- **VELOTION**
- **PLANNING**
- **FUNDING**
- **PERSONNEL**

#### **LEADERSHIP**



#### **PLANNING**

Direction and Execution of Vision

**Transformation Strategy setting** 

Goal setting – 1,2 or 3 over arching goals

#### FUNDING

Distribution of Funding Sources

- 1/3 Public Funding "Board"
- 1/3 Stakeholder Support "Operations"
- 1/3 Earned Income "Board & Committees"



# MAIN STREET REINVESTMENT STATISTICS

#### REINVESTMENT STATISTICS

Total Private Investment\$1,657,812,063
Total Public Investment
Total Investments\$1,929,856,911
Net new businesses
Net new jobs
Total cost per new full-time job created
Reinvestment ratio
Volunteer hours donatedover 1 million
Value of volunteer hours donated
Jan 1998 - Dec 2018







- VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT
- **VECOMMUNICATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS**
- PARTNERSHIP/ SPONSORSHIP
- EARNED INCOME
- MANAGE DONATIONS

#### **VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT**

Recruitment

Motivation

**Training** 

Recognition



#### COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS

Media Campagins

Newsletter

Website

Social Media



#### October is all about Fire Safety The upcoming First Friday

Merchants & Mimosas Thurs, September 15 Clay Media Group recognizes October as Fire Safety Awareness Month. Promotions Committee It is sponsored by Barley Thurs, October 6 MSD Office Hopsters and hosted by the Delaware Fire Depart-October First Friday Fri, October 7
"Fire Safety" Due to increasing safety Merchants & Mimosas Thurs, October 20 MSD Christmas Parade

concerns regarding the DPD has come up with oththat your customers won't want to miss. (Let's just say there might be some building scaling and car

In addition, fire trucks will be positioned throughout

both blocks of the street closures from Spring St. north through Winter St.

The DPD will be encouraging children to participate in a Fire Safety Scavenger Hunt Kids will look for various visual clues on buildings and turn in their findings at one of the fire trucks. If you would like to donate a prize for the grand prize drawing. send an email to Main Street no later than Friday, September 30.

This is the last month of

street closures. Beginning in November, vendors will be back up on the sidewalks and spread throughout the entire downtown

Don't forget that as a down town business, you always have first priority to use a space either directly in front of your store, or on a different street. Simply email Main Street and let us know your plans. We'll get you set up with everything else.



Main Street Delaware Chris as Parade for 2016 will be A Delaware Christmas Sto

Sun, November 20

Mingo down Sandusk

Xmas Parado

The parade will take place and step off from Mingo Parl at 3 p.m.

The parade route travels om the park south on andusky St and ends at Wil er St. Learn more at the

ased on "A Christmas Sto o not encourage the use of BB guns or other guns

#### Executive Director Search

The Main Street Delaware board of directors is continuing its work to find the organization's next Executive Director. The job was posted on the MSD website and applications closed on August 26.

Since that time, the MSD search committee has narrowed the field of more than 30 applicants to a smaller group of qualified candidates for first and second-round interviews. The final group of candidates will have an opportunity to meet the MSD board of directors in a final interview meet & greet.

It is the board's hope that an offer can be extended by the tor gets settled please exbeginning of October and a new executive director will be in place within the month.

We value the input and recceived from the community. It is good to know that there are so many individuals insuccess of Main Street Delaware. We can assure you that it is the board's primary concern, as well.

time to meet with us and

We are working to make smooth as possible and we appreciate your patience.



#### PARTNERSHIP

Selling the mission

Appropriate price points

Preparing campaign

Selling to the community

## WE ARE A LOCAL 501C3 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

We're focused solely on revitalizing downtown Marietta, OH through community and economic development strategies.

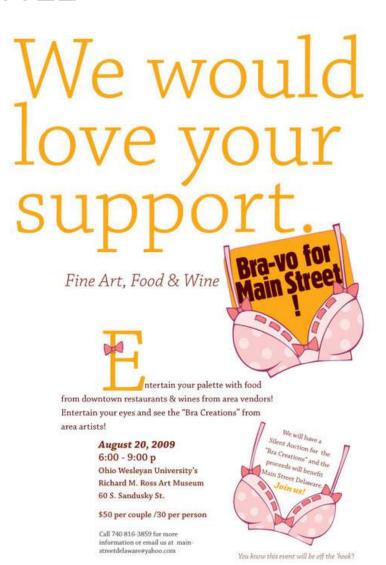
#### EARNED INCOME

Sponsorship

Ticketed events

**Fundraisers** 

Merchandise



#### MANAGE DONATIONS

Track in-kind donations

Lower expenses/ utilize partnerships

Give recognition

Say thank you and say it often



# ECONOMIC VITALITY

#### **ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMITTEE**

- Who should be on your committee?
  - Business Leaders
  - Community/Economic Development Professionals
  - Downtown Property Owners
  - Realtors
  - Bankers
  - University Representatives

#### ECONOMIC VITALITY OVERVIEW

- Understand the Downtown District
- Cultivate Entrepreneurship
- Strengthen Businesses
- Promote Economic Development
- Reuse Assets & Infrastructure

## ECONOMIC VITALITY: UNDERSTANDING THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT



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What do you have in your downtown?

Who is visiting your downtown?

What can you do to improve your downtown?



#### **Toolbox:**

- Business Inventory
- Building Inventory
- Market Analysis
- Visitor Surveys

- Business Wish List
- Recruitment Plan
- Development Plan

## ECONOMIC VITALITY: CULTIVATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP



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- Use Your Wish List
- Utilize Professional Services/Partnerships
- Connect Property Owners
   With Business Owners
- Consider Local Investment Pools
- Links with Ed. Institutions





## ECONOMIC VITALITY: CULTIVATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- Utilize Incubators
- Promote Non-traditional Business Solutions
- Use Your Recruitment Package
- Host a Work Party
- Welcome New Businesses
   & Residents





#### ECONOMIC VITALITY: STRENGTHEN BUSINESSES

#### **Existing Businesses:**

- Offer Business
   Education Opportunities
- Foster Collaboration
- Connect to Events
- Ask Them What They Need





#### ECONOMIC VITALITY: STRENGTHEN BUSINESSES

#### **Toolbox:**

- Business Visits
- Retail Minded Magazine
- Downtown Networking
- Customized Services



## ECONOMIC VITALITY: PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### **Recruitment & Businesses Expansion**

- Search for Good Matches
- Develop a Guide to Doing Business in your community
- Build Your Recruitment Team
- Utilize Your Recruitment Package





Rent Utilities	8,400 4,700
State Sales Tax	15,000
Local Government	
Property Tax	100
Sales Tax	5,000
Banks	
Loans	39,500
Fees and Interest	2,200
Deposits	17,000
Professional Services	
Insurance premiums	2,700
Legal and Accounting	900
Property Management	500
Suppliers	
Maintenance and Repair	1,300
Copy Shop	500
Supplies	900
Media	
Advertising	6,300
Salaries	57,000
Owner Profits	31,500
other workers	24,100
TOTAL	\$217,600

## ECONOMIC VITALITY: REUSE ASSETS & INFRASTRUCTURE

#### **Toolbox:**

- Ohio & Federal Historic Tax Credits
- Educate Local Building Owners
- Partner with Realtors for Available Properties
- Vacant Property Registry



- CREATE A FEELING
- MARKETING
- **PEVENTS**

Mission:
Bring people
downtown.
Effect:
Create a sense of
belonging & pride.



#### **Recognize Your Assets**

Historic Character - Building stock, atmosphere, center of community for hundreds of years

Heritage - People, sites, cultural values Gathering Places - walkable downtown, riverfronts, parks, plazas, recreation facilities, pedestrian friendly streets, etc. Government & Civic Facilities - City hall, County Court, Post office, Library, etc.

People, Products, & Services Personable, unique niches, experiences,
common market place



#### **CREATE A FEELING**

- A place of belonging, your third place
- A place you are proud of, passionate about
- A sense of community, togetherness
- #LoveWhereYouLive







#### Helping guests form a positive image of your downtown:





#### **MARKETING**

Consistent branding throughout:

- Online Tools/Social Media
- Print Materials/Advertising
- Media Outlets
- Events

Words are powerful:

- What are your goals, values, and vision
- Mission statements influence the future in your community





#### **EVENTS**

- Promote Downtown's position as a center of activity
- Create regular, recurring, routine activities
- Safe, free and fun family atmosphere

Events bring people together,
those people create relationships,
which strengthens the community,
and fosters a better place to live.





#### **Event Management Strategy**

- Create reasons for people to come back - if the event will not cause them to shop how can you convince them to come back
- Use attendance numbers, testimonials, economic impact data, etc. in recruitment activities
- Keeps money and resources local
- Creates backdrop for ongoing economic development





### **DESIGN**

DESIGN supports a community's transformation by enhancing the physical and visual elements of downtown while capitalizing on the unique assets that set the commercial district apart.

\*It's the overall look of downtown.\*

# What do we mean when we say DESIGN?

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- Can it be measured and by whom?
- Does it fulfil a need or needs?
- Does it build community?
- Does is spur economic development?
- Is it memorable?

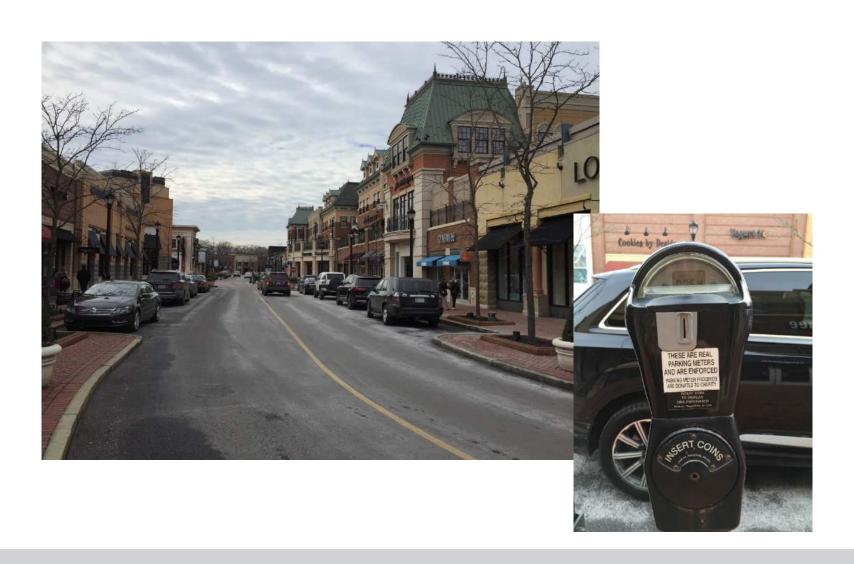
## What is the value of design on Main Street?

- Respecting our cities' legacy
- Creating an authentic sense of place
- Activating a thriving economy
- Cultivating the evolution of places

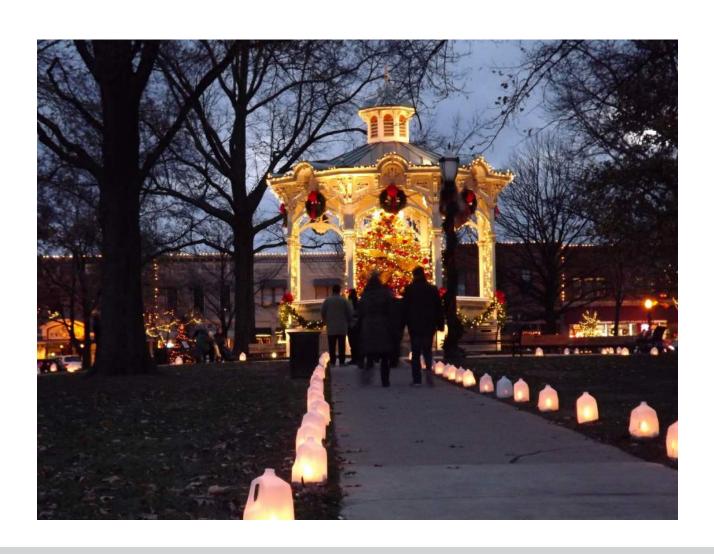
#### **RESPECTING OUR CITIES LEGACY**



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#### **CREATING AN AUTHENTIC SENSE OF PLACE**



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# **ACTIVATING A THRIVING ECONOMY**



Delaware, Ohio



Cambridge, Ohio



Wadsworth, Ohio

### **ACTIVATING A THRIVING ECONOMY**





#### **Small Business** Classes

Join the Appalachian Center for Economic Networks (ACEnet) at the Glouster Public Library in August All classes are 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Free and open to the public.





Becoming a Business: Aug. 7th

Products & Services: Aug. 9th

Marketing & Social Media: Aug. 14th

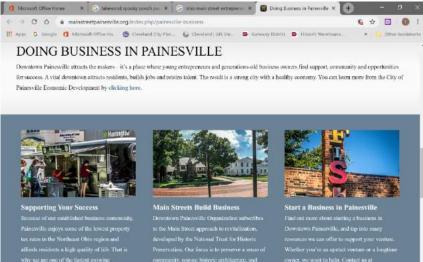
Money & Finance: Aug. 16th

Types of Businesses: Aug. 21st

Writing a Business Plan: Aug. 23rd

U.S. Small Business

Supporting Your Success





Gateway District E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Sherriff Street) Euclid Avenue Opera House - 1875



Gateway District
E. 4th Street (Sherriff Street)
Turn of the Century



Gateway District E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Sherriff Street) 1930s



Gateway District
E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Sherriff Street)
1980s



Gateway District
E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Sherriff Street)
Today













**Building Renovation & Adaptive Reuse** 









**Sensitive Infill Buildings** 





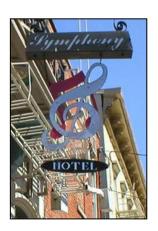


# **Streetscape**















**Storefronts – signage and display** 











# **District Identity**











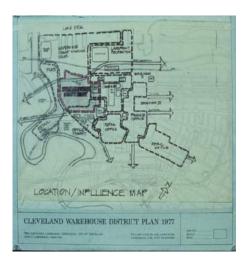




**Public Spaces** 













# **Connectivity**









**Overall Experience** 



**Community** 

#### Design

Walkability | Health and Safety
Wayfinding| Building Rehabilitation
Facade Improvements | Beauty
Historic Preservation
Environmental Quality

### Economic Restructuring

Small Business Support
Support New Entrepreneurs
Economic Development Support
Generates Jobs
Increases Réal Estate Value
Increases Tax Revenue

#### **PLACEMAKING**

#### Promotion

Community Identity
Distinctiveness
Local Economy Support
Builds Social Capital
Builds Community Connectivity

#### Organization

Community Engagement | Volunteerist
Equity Building | Self-Managing
Interaction with External Groups
A Coordination with Local Government





## **Education**







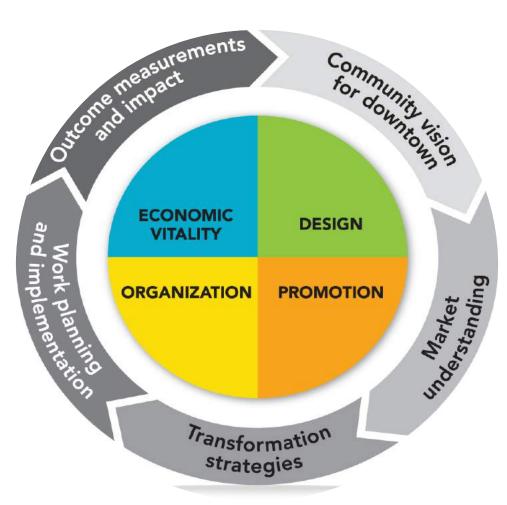
**Implementation** 







**Celebration** 



Leadership

## WHAT STORIES DOES YOUR CITY TELL?































# DOWNTOWN AFFILIATE PROGRAM

### **PROGRAM BENEFITS**

- One complimentary registration to each of the Quarterly Revitalization Trainings and the Heritage Ohio Annual Conference. Additional registrations at member rate.
- Monthly Webinar Series
- Executive director orientation
- Email/phone consultation
- Community visit/presentation
- Retail Minded magazine
- Revitalize Ohio magazine