# HERITAGE OHIO Vital Places. Vibrant Communities.

# OHIO MAIN STREET -MAIN STREET COMMUNITY

#### MAIN STREET PARTNERSHIP

Heritage Ohio is the designated State Main Street coordinating program of the National Trust Main Street Center. As the state partner of the Main Street Center, we provide participating local Main Street organizations with the training, tools, information, and networking they need to be successful. Structured as a non-profit organization, Heritage Ohio is positioned to give local Main Street programs professional advice and guidance in the use of the proven Main Street Four-Point Approach<sup>™</sup> to start or strengthen their revitalization efforts.

#### HOW THE MAIN STREET APPROACH WORKS

The Four-Point methodology works to create a total image for the community: providing the retail/professional area with its necessary market niche, creating a cohesive visual identity unique to the community, and nurturing a cultural ambiance associated with the community's location, appearance, and way of life. The Main Street Approach builds on existing resources and fosters improved community leadership and support on behalf of the Central Business District for long term benefits.

#### THE FOUR POINTS

**Organization** is the building of consensus and cooperation between the groups that play a role in the downtown.

**Design** involves improving the downtown's image by improving its physical appearance.

**Promotion** involves promoting the downtown's unique characteristics to shoppers, investors, new businesses, tourists, and others.

**Economic Vitality** means strengthening and diversifying the existing economic base of the downtown.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Main Street Communities are chosen after a community visit to assess the organization's capacity to successfully implement a comprehensive revitalization program. Membership requires an annual fee of \$4,000. Full Main Street Communities are also required to hold a \$500 annual municipal membership to reinforce the public commitment to the program and provide training to municipal staff.



#### **PROGRAM BENEFITS**

- » Quarterly Training/Networking Series
- » National Main Street Conference registration
- » Heritage Ohio Annual Conference registration
- » Executive director orientation
- » Email/phone consultation
- » On-site technical assistance visit
- » Strategic Planning visit
- » Annual Evaluation
- » Rehab Resource Team
- » Revitalize Ohio magazine
- » Main Street Google Groups List
- » Organization use of the trademarked "Main Street America" branding.



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### **REINVESTMENT STATISTICS**

Total Private Investment \$1,859,294,920
Total Public Investment\$390,963,952
Total Investments\$2,250,258,872
Net new businesses
Net new jobs
Total cost per new full-time job created\$14,214
Reinvestment ratio\$27 to \$1
Volunteer hours donatedover 1 million
Value of volunteer hours donated\$29+ million

GRAND OPENING

Jan 1998 - Dec 2022

## OHIO MAIN STREET AND AFFILIATE COMMUNITIES



#### OHIO MAIN STREET DOWNTOWN AFFILIATE PROGRAM COMMUNITIES COMMUNITIES

Cambridge Ashland Coshocton Barberton Delaware Bedford Kent Caldwell Lorain Camden Marietta Chillicothe Medina Circleville Middletown Cuyahoga Falls Millersburg Defiance Painesville Eaton Piqua Franklin Ravenna Fremont Tiffin Grafton Tipp City Greenfield Troy Lima Van Wert Louisville Vermilion Marblehead Wadsworth Marion Wellington Martins Ferry Westerville Marysville Wooster Newark Newcomerstown Peninsula Port Clinton Portsmouth Sidney South Euclid Sylvania Urbana Worthington Xenia