



Newsletter

November 7th, 2025



TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS</u>	1
<u>MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION</u>	2
<u>MILESTONES</u>	3
<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u>	4
<u>YOUNG PROFESSIONALS</u>	5
<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>	6
<u>PUBLIC AFFAIRS</u>	8
<u>PROGRAMMING & PLACEMAKING</u>	9
<u>SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY</u>	12
<u>NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERS</u>	13

[Check out Member Events & Announcements >>>](#)

MEMBERSHIP

GSP MEMBER BENEFITS - COSE



Webinar
NOV. 18!
→

COSE Benefit Plan



Health benefits designed exclusively for small businesses

For many small businesses, the current health insurance landscape provides limited choice and flexibility when it comes to offering healthcare coverage to your employees. Medical Mutual has partnered with the Council of Smaller Enterprises (COSE) for more than 50 years through changing health insurance direction and legislation. Together, we've created the COSE Benefit Plan. The COSE Benefit Plan is a multiple employer welfare arrangement (MEWA) that offers predictable rates and a broad variety of self-funded plan options to small businesses with 1 to 50 total employee(s).



GSP is proud to offer the COSE Benefit Plan in partnership with Medical Mutual and the Council of Smaller Enterprises (COSE). Businesses must be a current GSP member to qualify for the COSE Benefit Plan.

Join us for a webinar with a Medical Mutual representative and learn more about the COSE Benefit Plan and the potential savings on health care insurance costs on **November 18th!**

LEARN MORE OR REGISTER FOR WEBINAR

MEMBERSHIP

MEMBER ORIENTATION EVENT



Make the Most of Your GSP Membership!

Join Us!
MEMBER PERKS & PASTRIES

Thursday, November 13th
10:00am - 11:00am | Sandusky Book Bar



Are you a new
GSP Member? Or,
just looking to re-
engage?

Join us to learn
about GSP's full
menu of Member
Benefits & ways
to get involved...

[LEARN MORE](#)

MILESTONES

CELEBRATING BUSINESS & COMMUNITY

Congrats!



SEPTEMBER 25TH
ERIE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
30TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION



OCTOBER 6TH
OHgo
10TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION



OCTOBER 15TH
APOTHECARRIE LLC
GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION



OCTOBER 16TH
SANDUSKY CITY SCHOOLS
WELDING LAB
GRAND OPENING

UPCOMING EVENTS



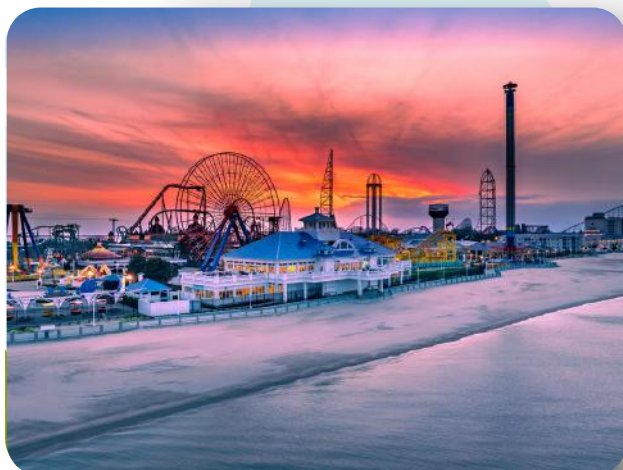
NOVEMBER 13TH
MEMBER ORIENTATION
SANDUSKY BOOK BAR
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

[DETAILS](#)



NOVEMBER 29TH
SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[DETAILS](#)



DECEMBER 11TH
GSP PROGRAM
FEATURING SIX FLAGS
SAWMILL CREEK
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

[DETAILS](#)

[MORE EVENTS](#)



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS CELEBRATE THE SEASON



*Register
Now*



Christmas PARTY

DECEMBER 5



6:00 PM

Tony's
115 W. Water Street
Sandusky, OH 44870

Appetizers | Drinks | Karaoke | Games



APPLY FOR OHIO'S EPA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANTS: BUSINESSES & TRADE ASSOCIATIONS ENCOURAGED

Businesses can apply for the Ohio Environmental Education Fund (OEEF) grants for projects that educate students, the public, or the regulated community about environmental issues

[LEARN MORE](#)



NEW LIFE FOR OLD SCHOOL

Yves Development plans to transform the former Vermilion Intermediate School site at 935 Decatur Street into a new residential neighborhood that complements Vermilion's small-town character. The 10-acre site will feature about 80 homes, including ranch-style residences and townhomes, surrounded by green space, walkways, and a community park within walking distance of downtown.

"This project meets a real housing need while giving new life to a property that has long been part of Vermilion's story," said Matt Lasko, Chief Development Officer of the Greater Sandusky Partnership. [Read more...](#)



NEW CAPITAL LEASE PROJECT CLOSES

The Erie County Port Authority, administered by GSP, has finalized a Capital Lease financing agreement with an automotive parts manufacturer to support a major facility expansion in Sandusky County. The approximately \$32 million investment will create around 100 new jobs and retain more than 400 existing positions.

Through the Port Authority's Capital Lease program, the company will realize an estimated **\$835,000 in savings** after fees and legal expenses, helping strengthen long-term competitiveness and regional manufacturing growth.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Congratulations to Perkins Township on the Groundbreaking of it's new Central Fire Station!



On Wednesday, October 29th, Perkins Township celebrated the groundbreaking of their new central fire station, located at 407 Woodlawn Ave.



Crews will begin construction this month and the new headquarters is projected to be completed in the first quarter of 2027.

ELECTION RESULTS

NOVEMBER 2025



This fall, we partnered with the Sandusky Register to sponsor several candidate forums. Thank you to the Sandusky Register and thank you to those who voted early and on election day!

The results of the election are available on Erie County Board of Elections website.

ELECTION RESULTS

We also invited candidates in key local races to share their perspectives on important community issues through a public questionnaire.

Their responses were published on our website and in the Sandusky Register.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRES



PROGRAMMING & PLACEMAKING

SANDUSKY FARMERS MARKET



2025 SEASON

The Sandusky Farmers Market wrapped up its 2025 season on October 25 with its final market set up along Columbus Avenue.

Thank you to our sponsors including Presenting Sponsor, Firelands Health, and market sponsors: Stack Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electric and Directions Credit Union



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEASON:

New Logo:

SANDUSKY FARMERS MARKET

144 small businesses participated in the 2025 Huron & Sandusky Farmers Markets as vendors

Launched SNAP & Senior Benefits, making it easier for families and seniors to shop fresh and local at the market.

PROGRAMMING & PLACEMAKING

HALLOWEEN EVENTS



THE HALLOWEEN CAPITAL OF OHIO

A title trademarked to celebrate our incredible fall season, from orchards and wineries to the islands, Halloweekends, and the Sandusky Witches Walk.

Banners throughout downtown marked the launch and our steps toward becoming a year round destination.



SANDUSKY WITCHES WALK

This year's event broke **two** Guinness World Records

- Largest Witches' Costume Contest
- Largest Witches' Dance.

The event continues to grow each year and highlights the strong community spirit in downtown Sandusky.



HAUNT THE HOUSE CONTEST

Launched "Haunt the House: Halloween Home Decor", a residential Halloween home decorating contest with the City of Sandusky.

WINNERS

Spookiest: 411 Putnam
Festive Fall: 229 Finch & 1122 Warren
People's Choice: 1621 Columbus

DOWNTOWN *Sandusky*

WINTER EVENTS

NOV / DEC

28-13

**SANDUSKY CHRISTMAS
MARKET**

Produced by the Jim Corso
Foundation
Weekends Only

NOVEMBER

29

**SMALL BUSINESS
SATURDAY**

Coordinated by Greater
Sandusky Partnership

DECEMBER

31

**FIRST NIGHT
SANDUSKY**

Presented by Great Lakes
Audio Visual

Find more community events at greatersandusky.com



**Greater
Sandusky
Partnership**

Greater Sandusky Partnership is excited to collaborate with the City of Sandusky and other local partners to support and produce events in Downtown Sandusky.



HURON winter fest

SPONSORSHIP PACKET

Sat., December 6, 2025
12:30 PM to 6:30 PM
Main Street, Huron

Be part of the **HOLIDAY MAGIC** that brings HURON together this **HOLIDAY** season!

Winter Fest is a cherished small-town tradition that **LIGHTS UP** our hearts, creates joyful family **MEMORIES**, and spreads warm holiday **CHEER** that lasts a lifetime!

Join us today through sponsorship to help make this year's celebration **BRIGHTER** than ever!

EVENT SPONSORS

PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$3,000

(1 Available)

- Exclusive title sponsor
- Large logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Opportunity to speak during the TREE LIGHTING ceremony
- Recognition in press releases, social media, and radio mentions
- A table at the North Pole Market to share promotional items

HORSE & CARRIAGE SPONSOR: \$2,000

(1 Available)

- Prominent logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Recognition on Carriage Ride Signage
- A table at the North Pole Market to share promotional items

CHRISTMAS TRACKLESS TRAIN: \$1,500

(1 Available)

- Prominent logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Recognition on Trackless Train Signage
- A table at the North Pole Market to share promotional items

SANTA & MRS. CLAUS: \$1,000

(1 Available)

- Prominent logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Recognition on Santa & Mrs. Claus Signage

CHRISTMAS CHARACTERS SPONSOR: \$1,000

(1 Available)

- Prominent logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Recognition on Character Signage

MAIN STREET ICE SCULPTURE: \$1,000

(1 Available)

- Prominent logo placement on signage and marketing materials
- Recognition on Ice Sculpture Signage

SPIRITED SPONSORS

- Logo or listing included on main signage and marketing materials

VIBRANT: \$300

RADIANT: \$200

LUMINOUS: \$100

SECURE your SPONSORSHIP TODAY

Greater Sandusky Partnership:

PATRICK SHEPHERD

Director of Member Services

419/273-6086

PShepherd@greatersandusky.com

*Holiday Memories & Cheer
Start Here!*

Holiday Parade

Holiday Shopping

Santa & Mrs. Claus

Carriage Rides

Trackless Train

North Pole Market

Seasonal Characters

Tree Lighting



Hosted by:



Thank You

NEW & RENEWED MEMBERS!



HERMES-PARKER
CONCRETE, LTD.
SANDUSKY, OH



Lorain County
Community College



MERRY GO ROUND MUSEUM
MUSEUM OF CAROUSEL ART & HISTORY
SANDUSKY OHIO



MAGNET



Department of
Development

Manufacturing Extension Partnership



EDWARD JONES: PAUL HOFFMAN

MHD CORPORATION

SABROSKE ELECTRIC INC.

GARDNER & LINDSEY INSURANCE - WILLARD

EDMOND HOTY REAL ESTATE

LCM CREATIVE SOLUTIONS, LLC

BARMAN CONSTRUCTION/REMODELING, LLC



604 W Washington, Suite 1
Sandusky, Ohio 44870

greater sandusky.com
info@greater sandusky.com
419-625-6421