#### 2022 - 2023 Annual Report

ST. JOSEPH Downtown COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

# The CID



The St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) was formed on September 6, 2011 as a special taxing district to improve the downtown area.

Funding for the district is provided by a half cent sales tax and a property tax equivalent to fifty cents per one hundred dollars of property valuation.

The total taxes generated in the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2023 was \$128,625.

In 2022-2023, the Downtown Community Improvement District contributed \$173,513 toward the cultural and economic activities assisting in the continued development of downtown.

Thank you for reading about all the great projects funded by the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District in 2022-2023.

#### Mission

The mission of the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District is to create and promote economic and cultural opportunities within the district by providing businesses and residents a means to fund new services and capital improvements.





The CID actively supports the annual *Downtown Holiday Experience*. These downtown holiday events are an important way for our community to come together, celebrate, and support local businesses, while fostering a sense of pride and connection.

The Allied Arts *Sculpture Walk* is a unique way to experience art and culture downtown. It not only adds to our aesthetic appeal, but it also promotes tourism and economic growth. The CID is a proud sponsor and encourages you to take the walk, get a brochure and vote for your favorite this year!





The CID aided *Schweetz Candy Co.* prepare an empty, underused retail space into a great family friendly stop with unique offerings of candy, sweets and beverages that are hard to find and unavailable elsewhere in the area.

The *Missouri Theatre* is an important facility in the overall health and vibrancy of our downtown. The CID helped to fund some projects which included refurbishing and repairing the exterior wall and fully repainting the mural.





The Downtown Association kept the party going downtown while celebrating 25 years of St. Joseph's most popular outdoor summer concert series, *Sounds of Summer*. The CID is a sponsor of these free Friday evening concerts that bring Coleman Hawkins Park alive with a wide variety of music.

Local and regional musicians and bands inspire, encourage, and uplift the spirit of the community with the *Imagine 11* summer concert series. The CID supports this free Sunday evening of music and food in a family friendly, alcohol-free event.





The CID supported the St. Joseph Symphony with a first-time special *Family Fun Costume Concert*. This event was an effort to attract new and different audience members. They also successfully collaborated with nearby eateries and shops to promote multiple stops downtown.

The CID supports the *St. Joseph Downtown Association* as they provide events and improvement projects that adds to our vibrancy and brings people downtown.



The CID aided in mold remediation to a vacant building that will soon host a *main floor retail shop* and a *2nd floor apartment*.

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Over the Edge St. Joseph is a fundraiser that is held downtown that supports the Voices of Courage Child Advocacy Center. The CID sponsored board member, Bobbie Jo Hughes to repel down the Corby Building.



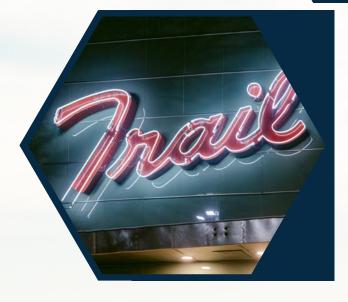


The CID supports the *Performing Arts Association* as they provide a wide variety of events that bring people downtown. These events represent the best of the performing arts to promote interest in music, theater, and dance.

CID supports *Ignite* a Mosaic Life Care Foundation fundraiser held downtown that supports youth educational programs. They are also investing in a Children's Discovery Center that will expand their program offerings to younger children and their families and will be located downtown.



The CID aided in bringing the eagerly anticipated *Trail* back to life. This redesigned art theatre now offers a range of films while also holding private events and operating as a performing arts venue that is sure to bring more people downtown.



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In an effort to better communicate all the activities, shops and restaurants downtown the CID collaborates with other key stakeholders to operate one unified downtown *website*. The CID also facilitates a *Facebook page*.

#### Beautification

The CID pays for the *maintenance of Coleman Hawkins Park.* This picturesque outdoor venue is used for live music concerts and festivals and is in the heart of downtown St. Joseph, located at 7th and Felix St.





With the goal in mind of making downtown an attractive place to live, work and visit, the CID pays for *trash removal* and the *planting and watering of the large flower pots and hanging baskets* located in various places within the downtown district.

Cigarette butts are the most commonly littered item in the world. To combat this, the CID purchased and will soon be installing *cigarette recycling bins* to help create a well-maintained and visually appealing downtown.



## Meet The Board



The St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District Board of Directors reflects a diversity of professions and viewpoints. Directors either own property or represent a property owner in the district.



Ron Barbosa Chairman Teresa Fankhauser Vice Chairman John Spencer Secretary Joseph Houts Treasurer

Pat Dillon

**Bobbie Jo Hughes** 

**Brett Carlous** 

The CID contracts with Mosaic Life Care's Downtown Liaison, Christy George for office support



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