

Downtown Owosso Resource Guide

Downtown Owosso is a community rich in collaborative spirit, with the tools, talent and resources ready to help make your new business venture a success! Owosso Main Street/DDA and its local and regional partners offer a robust and seamless array of programs, incentives and educational and training opportunities

- all designed to grow and support local business. The following describes a few
of these remarkable offerings as you consider locating in Downtown Owosso.





FINANCIAL INCENTIVES

Owosso Main Street/DDA Revolving Loan Fund - Low interest loans up to \$50,000.00 for property redevelopment and business development.

Owosso Main Street/DDA Upper-Floor **Residential Development Grants** - grants toward fire suppression and elevator

installations and other architectural services. **City of Owosso Obsolete Property** Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) - provides property tax exemptions for commercial and commercial housing properties that are rehabilitated and meet the requirements of the Act.

City of Owosso Brownfield Redevelopment Program - provides financial and technical assistance to facilitate the redevelopment of brownfield properties.

Federal Historic Tax Credit - 25% Federal Income Tax credit available to offset costs incurred during historic property rehabilitation.

Downtown Owosso Opportunity Zone - This program is designed to incentivize capital investments in low-income communities nationwide that have been cut off from capital and have experienced a lack of business arowth



BUSINESS SUPPORT **Small Business Development Center**

- **Programming:** = No Cost 1:1 Business Consulting - including new business plan development, financial projections, & marketing plans.
- = Business Education business planning, social media, marketing/sales, & much more.
- = Information-based Planning through **Market Research**
- = Technological Commercialization specialized assistance to help you take your product to market

Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce Programming:

= The SRCC connects leaders & supports entrepreneurs through various member incentives & programming. Check out more information at: www.shiawasseechamber.org

= ShiaCash - a community currency program that is purchased through an online portal.

Owosso Main Street/DDA Programming:

- = Monthly Business Owners Meetings
- = Educational Workshops
- = District-wide Online Sales Program



DEVELOPMENT

City of Owosso:

- = The City of Owosso offers a detailed "Planning & Zoning Development Guide" for all interested business & property owners. = The City of Owosso is an "engaged" community with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Redevelopment Ready Communities Program. This program helps the city attract & retain businesses, and provides a streamlined development approval process.
- = Check out more information at: www.ci.owosso.mi.us

Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership:

= The SEDP helps cultivate a business friendly environment in Shiawassee County, and provides clients with access to resources, tools, and knowledge to empower decisions that lead to their success. = Check out more information at: www.sedpweb.org











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